

## Background

Every day, 450 UK children start smoking. About 90% of these will continue to smoke into adulthood.

## Imagine this:

The year is 2040. You have been a smoker since the age of thirteen. You have just been diagnosed with lung cancer and your doctor says that you have only 12 months to live.

Smoking related diseases are rampant and there are many hundreds dying every day. You decide to use the last year of your life positively and aim to prevent teenagers from taking up smoking.

Then you realise how many lives you could save if only you could turn back the clock. Time travel is now possible, but it's extremely expensive and only available to the Science Research Council (SRC).

You have asked the SRC to send you back in time, to when you were 13 years old. They have expressed interest in the idea, but need convincing—they get numerous requests from people with good ideas.

So, they have asked you to indicate exactly what you would try to do if sent back. They always insist on an explanation which takes up no more than one side of an A5 sheet of paper. Here is their guidance:

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### Notes for Time Travel Applicants

On not more than one side of an A5 page explain:

What are you hoping to achieve through time travel?

The format of your explanation is up to you but it is unlikely to be successful unless...

**...it is clear**

**...it is supported by evidence**

**...and it shows a truly creative approach.**

Above all, you must indicate why **you** are the right person to tackle this project.

Please complete this task before your next lesson.