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illustrated talks for schools

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primary school brochure

KS1 and KS2

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Background

Brian Anderson, is an award winning photographer, architect, adventurer and educator based in Merseyside. He has captured nature, travel and landscape images from his trips to over 55 nations and territories in Europe, Africa, Asia, South America, and further afield to the Galápagos Islands, the Arctic, the Geographic North Pole and the remote Antarctic Continent.

Through his company **andersonimages**, Brian offers a series of Illustrated Talks based around these trips, so others can also **'explore, experience and discover'** the remarkable places, wildlife and people he has been fortunate enough to visit and encounter over the last 30+ years.

A **DBS Enhanced Certificate** holder, Brian presents to primary and secondary schools, Scouts Groups, FE colleges, RSPB Groups, social and professional clubs. He has also worked with Quark Expeditions, as Ship's Photographer and Lecturer on their polar voyages.

Brian tutors and runs courses on Wilderness, Wanderlust, Wildlife and Travel Photography at Adult Education Colleges in Somerset, Wirral and Northamptonshire. His images and articles have appeared on international websites and in UK photographic and lifestyle magazines.

Selecting an Illustrated Talk for your Primary School



Schoolchildren enjoying Brian's informative and fun Illustrated Talks

All **23 Illustrated Talks** in this brochure have been developed for Primary School children and are suitable for ages **5 to 7 (KS1)** and/or **7 to 11 years (KS2)** as indicated below each talk. All KS1 talks can also be adapted for Reception children, ages **4 to 5 years**.

Talks can be presented in 15 min or 30 min modules for Reception and KS1, and 30 min or 45 min modules for KS2. Talks can also be modified to suit individual school requirements.

Talk Costs

The cost **per school visit** is **£95** plus travelling expenses (calculated at **£0.40/mile**) if outside the Wirral. A visit comprises one, two or three sessions **up to 90 minutes**, so for example, a visit can provide 3 x 30 min modules or 2 x 45 minute modules, etc, depending on the school's requirements. Longer sessions, if required, can also be negotiated, for eg, **up to 180 mins**. Booking information and contact details are given at end of this brochure.

Format and Content of Talks

Each illustrated talk is carefully created to combine Brian's stunning images with lots of interesting facts to **stimulate, surprise** and **inform** all primary schoolchildren. Most importantly, Brian involves his audience; the children are encouraged to ask questions and take part in presentation activities. For example in the five Polar Talks available, children and teachers dress up in Brian's polar clothing, and pupils are asked to come forward to help present some fascinating visual information on the unique polar wildlife.



Teacher in Brian's Polar Gear

Talks are designed to stimulate, amuse and surprise pupils

Endorsements

The wildlife, nature and environmental sustainability themed talks in this brochure support the following organisations :



Where indicated, the travel, exploration and multi-culturalism themed talks in this brochure also support the following School partnerships and organisations :



Schools, Clubs and Societies Visited

Brian has presented **KS1** and **KS2** Illustrated Talks to **60 +** primary schools across Wirral, Liverpool, Sefton, Cheshire, and also further afield to schools in North Wales, Greater Manchester, Lancashire, Yorkshire, Warwickshire, Shropshire, Cumbria, Surrey and Haringey.

KS3 to **KS5** Illustrated Talks are presented to **30 +** public and private sector Secondary Schools in Cheshire, Manchester, Merseyside and North Wales, and Scouting Groups in the NW.

Brian also presents Illustrated Talks to **60+** Professional, Social clubs and RSPB Local Groups in Merseyside, Cheshire, Cumbria, Yorkshire, Lancashire, Yorkshire, Cumbria and Greater Manchester, and delivers Courses at 4 Adult Education Colleges in the UK.

24 Illustrated Talks for Primary Schools are available :



'Faces and Places'

This popular talk features stunning images of different peoples from around the world, arranged in three portfolios of 'People at Work', 'Religious Figures' and 'Mothers and Children'.

This talk celebrates diversity, and supports the International School Award scheme by introducing the schoolchildren to the ISA curriculum themes of Multiculturalism, RE and Citizenship.
Ideal for KS1 & KS2



'ANTARCTICA - A Really Cool Place'

This first of five Polar talks, includes stunning images of frozen seas and landscapes of giant blue icebergs, plus the rich wildlife in this cold and isolated place, which includes; whales, seals, penguins, giant petrels and albatrosses. Eight species of penguins and their chicks, including the cute Emperor chicks above, will be seen.

For KS2 pupils, the threats caused by human activity are also touched on, for eg; habitat destruction, over fishing, oil exploration, climate change and pollution. Threats which now endanger Antarctica, a most unique and really cool place. The younger children just love the penguin chick photographs, and this talk is also suitable for Reception and Nursery classes.

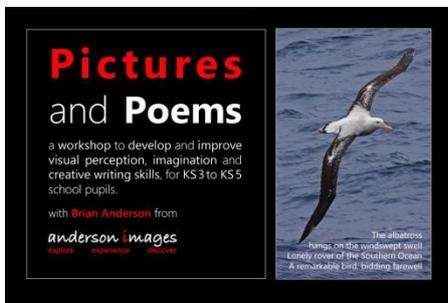
Ideal for Reception, KS1 & KS2



‘Peppy, Mumble and Pingu’

Polar bears and penguins, the cutest and most loved of creatures throughout our popular culture. This talk starts by looking at these animals as cultural icons, successfully used to advertise products as diverse as biscuits, confectionary, frozen foods and fizzy drinks. We then discuss how penguins and polar bears have adapted to live in the remotest, most inhospitable and fragile of environments, and why their existence is now under threat due to factors such as global warming and pollution. This is a must see talk from the *‘very ends of the earth’* and specially written for KS1 and KS2 schoolchildren. Teachers will be able to purchase copies of images shown in the presentation.

Ideal for KS1 & KS2



Visual perception and literacy skills

Transforming Lives

‘Pictures and Poems’

A school workshop to develop and improve visual perception and creative writing skills, with versions for pupils at KS 2 level.

This 60 minute workshop combines poetry and images, on the theme of the natural world. Pupils are introduced to Haiku poetry from C9th Japan, then using ‘wow’ words, compose their own poems inspired by Brian’s stunning images from his travels to amazing places.

Ideal for KS2



‘THE NORTH POLE - Another Cool Place’

This talk is based around Brian’s June/July 2011 trip to the North Pole on the world’s largest and most powerful nuclear icebreaker, *‘50 Years of Victory’*. Stunning images include the ship breaking through ice up to 4 metres thick, close encounters with polar bears, walruses, ivory gulls, gullimots, seals and other wildlife living on and around the vast frozen Arctic Ocean ice sheet.

Threats caused by global human activity are also touched on; habitat destruction, over fishing, oil exploration, climate change and pollution. Threats which now endanger the polar regions, the ‘coolest places’ on the planet.

Ideal for KS1 & KS2



‘ASPIRATIONS : Reach for the Stars’

We all have aspirations to achieve things in life, or we have met people or recalled events that have inspired us to do things such as take up new hobbies, learn about new things or change direction in our careers. In this beautifully illustrated talk, Brian tells the children who and what inspired him when he was young, and the stunning places and wildlife he has seen and the amazing people he has been lucky to meet on his travels. This talk will delight and inspire the children.

Ideal for KS1 & KS2



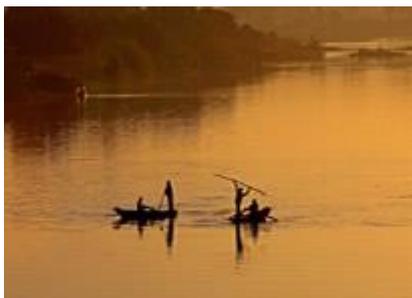
‘Images From The Edge’

Join Brian for a portfolio of stunning photographs from some of the most spectacular landscapes in the world and a look at some of the great explorers who discovered them, including Magellan, Livingstone, Burckhardt and Hiram Bingham. Travelling between five continents we will see icebergs and frozen seas in the Arctic and Antarctica, the Inca city of Machu Picchu in Peru, Petra in Jordan, Victoria Falls in Zambia to Abu Simbel in Egypt, plus much more.

Ideal for KS1 & KS2



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‘Egypt -The Gift of The Nile’

According to Herodotus, the Greek historian, Egypt was ‘the gift of the Nile’, for without her rich waters Egyptian civilization would have been short-lived. The river provided the elements that sustained and influenced an ingenious and vigorous civilization for over three thousand years; harvests, transportation and irrigation.

In this talk, we travel down the river Nile from the Great Pyramids in Cairo to the temple of Ramses II in Abu Simbel in Nubia, with Brian’s images of the people, wildlife, colourful landscapes, stunning architecture and the mystical Egyptian Gods who ensured the life giving properties of the River Nile. This talk celebrates diversity, and supports the ISA scheme by covering Multiculturalism, RE and Citizenship themes.

Ideal for KS1 & KS2



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'Peru 'Land of the Incas'

Centred at Cusco in Peru, the Incas created the most powerful civilization of pre-Columbian America between the early C15th and the mid C16th. This vast empire, stretching from northern Ecuador to central Chile, fell to the Spanish Conquistadors between 1532 and 1572. In this presentation Brian discusses the history, geography and uniqueness of the Inca empire. His images reveal the local people and culture, the wildlife in the desolate but colourful landscape of the Andean altiplano, and the stunning architecture and cyclopean masonry of the Inca temples and fortresses, including Ollayantambo, Sacsayhuaman, and Machu Picchu, the legendary 'Lost City of the Incas'.

Ideal for KS2



'Masks, Myths and Mystique'

Originating in 1162, the Venice Carnevale has always been a time of excitement and merriment, the last fling before Ash Wednesday and the rigours of Lent. Usually over 11 days in February or March each year, adults don sumptuous masks and costumes and go out on the town to celebrate in style. In this talk, Brian reveals the history and myths behind the great festival tradition of Venice, illustrating spectacular Carnevale masks and costumes set against the backdrop of the city's stunning buildings and ravishing vistas.

Ideal for KS2

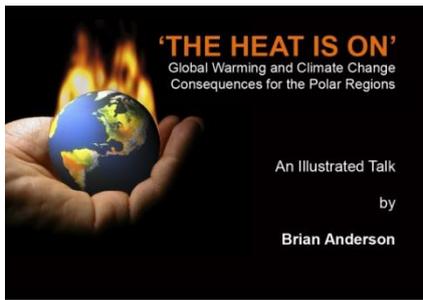


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'India - Land Of Wonders'

Marco Polo visited India in the C13th, and described it as "the richest province in the world ... a land of wonders", his observation is no less true today. India is older, bigger, more colourful, more diverse and more intriguing than anywhere else, and often mistaken as a continent because of her varied characteristics. With a population of 1.2bn, India boasts a history that goes back 5,000 years. Brian's images reflect India's people of different castes and creeds, rich cultural heritage, colourful wildlife, stunning architecture and landscapes. This talk celebrates diversity, and supports the ISA scheme by covering Multiculturalism, RE and Citizenship themes.

Ideal for KS1 & KS2



'The Heat Is On'

Since the Industrial Revolution, mankind has plundered the Earth's finite resources and pumped increasing quantities of greenhouse gases, such as CO₂, into the atmosphere. With the human population now over 6.2 billion, the Earth is no longer able to sustain the familiar world we have taken for granted, and the result is global warming and climate change. With stunning images from his expeditions to the Polar Regions, the last 'pristine' environments left on the planet, Brian shows how melting ice, ecosystem destruction and species migration is affecting these most inaccessible and inhospitable places as a direct result of mankind's activities. This talk will give school children a very interesting and richly illustrated introduction to global warming and climate change issues.

Ideal for KS2



'Frozen'

Based on Brian's expeditions to the Arctic, the geographic North Pole and the Antarctic Peninsula, a portfolio of truly stunning images from the last remaining wildernesses on the planet - the polar regions. In this richly illustrated presentation you will see incredible landscapes of ice, snow and towering icebergs, plus the unique wildlife, including arctic plants, polar bears, seals, walruses, albatrosses and penguins, that has adapted to survive in these fragile and most inhospitable environments.

Ideal for KS1 & KS2



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'Fur Seals, Whales, Candles and Soap'

The 'occurrence of seals and whales' in the S Atlantic was reported by Captain Cook in 1775, as he took possession of South Georgia for Great Britain. Sealing commenced there in 1786/87. Antarctic whaling began in 1904/05 at S Georgia. In the late C19th and early C20th seal and whale oils were important commercial commodities as basic ingredients in the production of lubrication oils, soap, candles, margarine, and glycerin for explosives.

The entire Antarctic catch of whale oil in 1917/18 was destined for Birkenhead's docks. Find out more about this incredible local link and the Wirral industries that used this oil in their products, which were then sold worldwide.

Suitable for KS2



'Famous Explorers'

This talk is a good introduction to the world of exploration. From defining what an explorer is, to what explorers do and the special qualities they need, Brian will look at a few of the most famous explorers from the last 500 years. Magellan, Drake, Captain Cook, David Livingstone, Ernest Shackleton and Neil Armstrong are just a few of the legendary explorers discussed. With stunning images of landscapes, wildlife and people from his expeditions to frigid polar regions, hot, dry deserts, and hot, humid jungles, Brian will show the children how they too can become explorers and share some of the passions and experiences of the legendary heroes of exploration.

Ideal for KS1 and KS2



'Young Smiling Faces from Amazing Places'

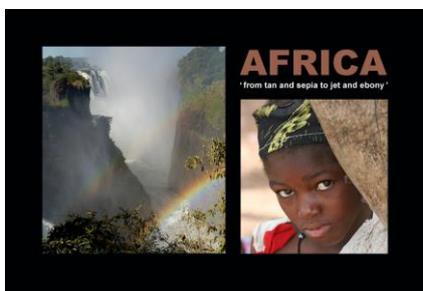
This new talk features young children from Equador, India, Egypt, Turkey, Morocco, China, Peru, Italy, Zambia, Australia and many other countries around the world. Through Brian's stunning images, pupils will appreciate the many similarities they share with children across the world, but also some of the cultural differences between nations.

This talk covers the ISA scheme's Multiculturalism, RE and Citizenship themes.

Ideal for KS1 and KS2



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'Africa - from Tan and Sepia to Jet & Ebony'

Africa is the 2nd largest and 2nd most populated continent in the world, with over a billion people living in 56 countries.

Africa boasts a huge and exciting diversity of peoples and cultures; wildlife and landscapes. This talk will introduce schoolchildren to this vast continent, over 11.7 million sq miles (20.4% of the planet's total land area), and give them a flavour of this rich and beautiful place. The title, *'from tan and sepia to jet and ebony'* is a famous quote which refers to the range of skin colours between the continent's many peoples.

Ideal for KS2 +

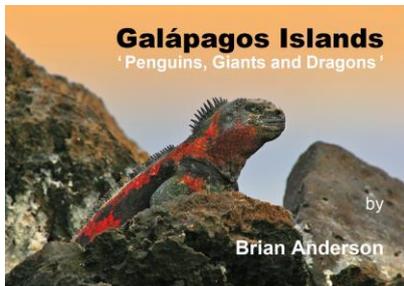


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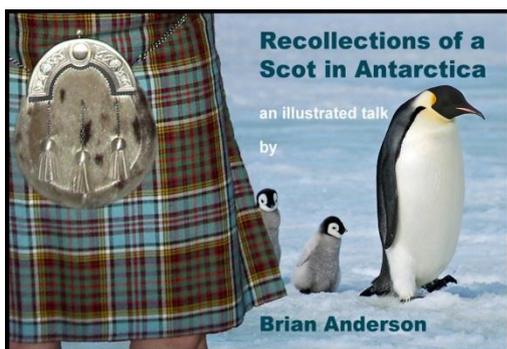
'Good Food Is A Global Thing'

With a title from one of Jamie Oliver's quotes, this talk looks at different people and cultures around the world and the foods they eat. The expression, '*we are what we eat*' is a truism as we will see cultures that thrive from healthy diets, in stark contrast to some of the unhealthy western diets. We also look at countries which do not have much food and ask why this is. Brian's stunning images reflect the rich cultural and culinary diversity across the world, and children will learn about some of the more unusual foods people eat. **Ideal for KS2**



'Penguins, Giants and Dragons'

The Galápagos Islands, 600 miles off the coast of Ecuador, famed for their volcanoes and their endemic species, were studied by Darwin, contributing to his work on natural selection. This richly illustrated presentation, based on Brian's trip to the Galápagos in the summer of 2012, will introduce the children to the unique wildlife which amazed sailors and pirates back in the C16th. Animals which include galápagos penguins, giant tortoises, marine iguanas, sealions, Darwin finches and blue-footed booby's - species that have adapted to survive on these isolated and stunning Pacific islands. **Ideal for KS1 & KS2**



'Recollections of a Scot in Antarctica'

Brian's personal recollections, with funny anecdotes, amazing facts and stunning wildlife and landscape images from his four expeditions to Antarctica in 2003, 2008, 2009 and 2010 with Quark.

The children will discover how Brian travelled to Antarctica, the things he got up to on this amazing 'white continent', and the incredible wildlife he saw in the largest and most remote wilderness left on the planet. **Geog/Science/Environment** **Ideal for KS2**



‘Mothers and their Young’

A super talk with ‘cute and cuddly’ images for younger school children, featuring mothers and their young. Images include sheep, whales, penguins, albatrosses, sealions and seals, plus many other animals from around the world. Including humans too, with a shots of mothers and their children. Schoolchildren will discover how humans and wild animals are very similar when it comes to looking after their offspring, offering warmth, comfort, food and protection.

Geog/Science/Environment/Wildlife

Ideal for Reception and KS1

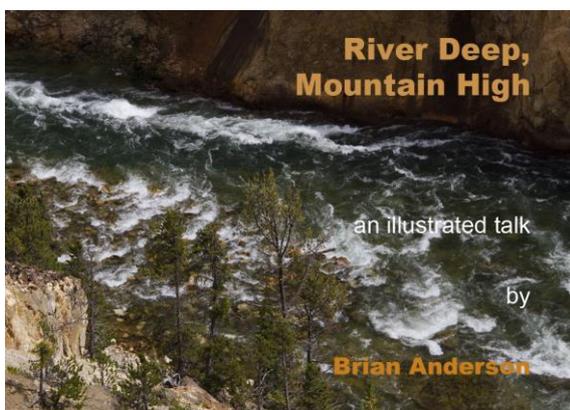


‘Adapting To Extremes’ **New 2014 talk!**

A colourful talk which looks at how humans, flora and fauna adapt to live in the hottest and coldest places on our planet. Fully illustrated throughout with Brian’s stunning images from deserts, jungles and the polar regions.

Ideal for **KS1 & KS2**

Geog/Science/Environment/Wildlife



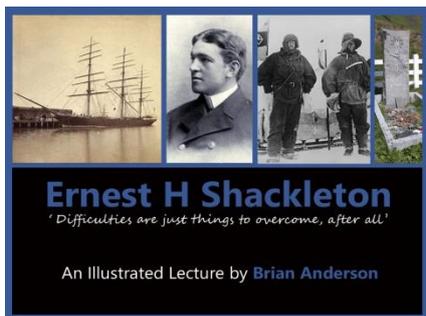
New 2014 talk!

‘River Deep, Mountain High’

An exciting talk which looks at how different civilizations in history have adapted to living in the high mountain ranges and along the great rivers of the world. We look at the Incas in South America, the Nabataens in Petra and the Egyptians and Berbers in Africa. All beautifully illustrated with Brian’s images from around the world.

Geog/Science/Environment/History

Ideal for **KS1 & KS2**



'Ernest H Shackleton'

New 2014 talk!

2014, centenary year of Shackleton's Imperial Trans-Antarctica Expedition 1914-1917, this talk looks at Britain's **greatest polar explorer**, and the **Antarctic**, a most unique wilderness. This is an amazing story of **leadership**, **heroism** and utter **determination** in the face of extreme dangers and adversity. Illustrated with Brian's stunning images of wildlife and frozen landscapes from Antarctica and South Georgia.

Exploration/Geography/History

Ideal for KS2

Feedback and Endorsements from Primary Schools



We had a fabulous time! The children were gripped from start to finish! Your calm and informal manner was perfect and the information from the photos alone kept the children talking all day. You're our very own Polar Explorer!
St Andrews CoE Primary, Bebington

Many thanks for your superb visit, a wonderful launch for our 'Antarctica' topic. Your photographs were truly spectacular, but what really impressed the children and staff and gave it all a 'wow factor', was the fact you were able to share your knowledge and tell us about your first hand experiences in Antarctica. The children and staff are buzzing and raring to get going on our topic work.
St Josephs RC Primary School, Upton

All our children were spellbound by your talk and the wonderful pictures of penguins, seals and giant icebergs. Please come again Brian.
Manor Park Primary, Sutton, London

I was met in class next morning by children desperate to ask me if I knew how big albatrosses' wings are 'because they did! They also delighted in informing me that penguins 'eat seal poo and seal poo smells of fish and so does seal breath!' They were also very well informed about icebergs!
Portland Primary School, Birkenhead

Feedback and Endorsements

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Thank you very much for coming in and for speaking to Year 2. It certainly has inspired them and they haven't stopped talking about the Antarctic animals and birds that they saw and have really got into our Polar Adventure topic. They have also gained much pleasure looking at your website and the variety of images on it.
Caldershaw Primary, Rochdale

Thank you so much Brian for visiting and giving your two Antarctica Talks to our Year 1 and Year 2 classes. The children just loved your wonderful images. As we were leaving at the end of the day one of the pupils said, "It's been the best day ever!" I can't say much fairer than that.
Bidford on Avon C of E Primary School, Bidford, Warwickshire

Our Year 5 and 6 schoolchildren loved your super talk and beautiful pictures, which will certainly help them with their project on Egypt
Grove Street Primary School, New Ferry

I truly loved the photos in your talk it made me feel how lucky I am to have what we have here.
Tamzin, Yr 6, St Andrews CoE Primary, Bebington

Our Reception class children were absolutely transfixed by your stunning pictures of gorgeous penguin chicks and polar bear cubs. Thanks for a wonderful and informative talk
St Josephs RC Primary School, Upton

Thanks for an inspirational talk on 'Famous Explorers', our Year 2 class absolutely loved your stories and superb images of the remote places you have been. I have never seen the children so attentive. I'm sure you have inspired a few of our pupils to become explorers.
St Andrews CoE Primary, Bebington

Our Reception and Year 1/2 children thoroughly enjoyed your Polar talks & were inspired by your wonderful images and everything you said - especially about the antarctic bird that eats seal and penguin poo!!
Kirsty Foulkes, Head, Hope C of E Primary, Shropshire

My husband and I took our 8yr old son to your 'Images from the Edge' talk at Marlborough College Summer School. We wanted to thank you for an enormously entertaining lecture. Your images were outstanding and really helped to convey the stories that accompanied them. My son loved the penguins, seals and polar bears; the 'cute factor' kept him enthralled for the full hour. We came away like the other parents and their children with our heads full of humorous anecdotes and amazing facts from your polar travels. You had such a relaxed, natural manner and it was a privilege to be a part of it all.
Christine Faulkner, Primary School Teacher, County Down, Northern Ireland

Feedback from schoolchildren also includes their drawings and paintings inspired by my talks and the projects they have worked on. I particularly like the penguins and polar bears. Here is a selection of some of the 'polar' wonderful images I have received from schools over the years.



Booking a Talk for your Primary School

To enquire about or book any of these talks for your school, please contact **Brian Anderson** by telephone, email, texting or by messaging via the website.



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I look forward to your call, text or email, so we can select and book an illustrated talk for the Reception, KS1 and KS2 children in your Primary School.