

# Learning Fun for Kids in the ASEP

## Word Fun Presentation

The presentation is about getting children having fun while learning how fascinating words can be. It also helps to inspire them to improve their thinking and communication skills.

Author and former rocket scientist Pat Battaglia greets the children in his Dr. Fun scientist costume that immediately captures their attention and interest. Pat relates interesting facts about his career in the space program. The students then participate in playing word games from the author's latest two books **Are You Smart, or What?** and **So You Think You're Smart**. The games are based on word peculiarities such as homophones, homographs, synonyms, similes, anagrams and palindromes.



The presentation is highly interactive. Children learn interesting aspects of words while having fun playing challenging games. Friendly competition results in trying to be the first to answer correctly.

The presentation ends with the author demonstrating the awesome power of words and inviting the children to obtain that power for themselves.

### Excerpts from Student Letters



- “You made it fun for us to learn.”
- “When you visited it was very fun and challenging. some of the questions made me really think.”
- “I learned a lot. I liked your teaching because you use fun and games to teach.”
- “Thanks for all the fun and all of the new things you taught us. You are a very smart & fun guy.”

## Additional Information

- Student Grade Level:** 4th - 6th grades
- Number of Students:** Up to about 40
- Presentation Length:** One hour
- Location:** Classroom or media center (not gyms)
- Before the Visit:** Color displays (8½" x 11") are provided to notify the children of the upcoming visit.
- After the Visit:** A Word Fun Activity sheet is provided to teachers to reinforce student learning.
- Honorarium:** \$150.



### School Equipment Required

1. Overhead projector
2. Table
3. Screen or blank wall

### Teacher Comments

- “I loved it and so did the kids. Your passion for words and their power definitely rubbed off on the kids.”  
Leigh Harris, Community House School
- “Great program! Thank you”  
Christine Dyvig, Irwin Avenue School

### The Presenter



Dr. Fun (aka Pat Battaglia) is an author, entertainer/educator, syndicated columnist and former rocket scientist. His books have entertained thousands of readers from coast to coast. His Word Fun Presentations are enjoyed by children (and adults) in and out of North Carolina.

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