



# BrainReach Elementary Orientation

## Goals of BrainReach

1. Provide scientific engagement for elementary and high school students in under-resourced and remote neighbourhoods, showing them that science is fun through interactive presentations and activities focusing on the brain.
2. Provide teachers with a support network for their science inquiries.
3. Provide graduate students with the opportunity to build pedagogical skills.

## Scheduling Presentations

- It is your responsibility to communicate with your school to schedule your monthly presentations
- If you cannot make a presentation, let us know

## Material Pickup/Return

- Email [brainreach.elementary@gmail.com](mailto:brainreach.elementary@gmail.com) at least one week before your scheduled presentation to request materials
- In the email, please include:
  - Presentation date
  - Session number
  - The total number of students you will be teaching (i.e. 2 classes of 25 students = 50 students)
  - English or French
- Material pickup/return will be located in the IPN office (room 141, MNI)
- Please return materials as soon as possible!

## Delivering the Presentation

- We are not just giving presentations....we are teaching and inspiring students!!
- Don't forget to introduce the question folder and vocabulary poster!
- Teaching tips can be found on the wiki and on our Facebook page

## Contact Information

[brainreach.elementary@gmail.com](mailto:brainreach.elementary@gmail.com)

## Presentation Topics

1. What is the brain?
2. What are the different functions of my brain?
3. What is my brain made of?
4. How does my brain get information from the world?
5. How does my brain pay attention?
6. How do I remember?
7. How does my brain control my emotions?
8. Presenter's choice

## Preparing for Your Presentation

- All slides and presentation documents can be found on the Wiki: [brainreach.wikispaces.com](http://brainreach.wikispaces.com)
- See the presenter's guide for explanations of each slide
- Every class is different- customize the presentations for your class!

## First Steps

- Contact teacher to schedule first presentation, and confirm the class time and number of students
- Sign up for the wiki

Please complete and return the feedback forms!