Nuclear Power Plant Virtual Field Trip Handout

- Site 1: Let's Learn the Basics at https://www.learnwithrichie.com/ks3/about-nuclear-energy
 - 1. List the steps of creating electricity using a steam turbine.
 - 2. Read the "What is nuclear fission?" section. What is a chain reaction?
 - 3. Why is uranium good in making electricity?
 - 4. Describe how to make electricity from uranium.

5. List the steps of uranium enrichment.

- Site 2: Let's Tour a Plant at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9irnL0Y25bY (Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Plant)
 - 6. What kind of security exists in nuclear power plants?
 - 7. What is a scheduled outage period?

8. Define: *spent fuel pool*

9. What strikes you?

- 10. How long will the materials in dry storage be radioactive?
- 11. How many gallons of water does the plant use every minute?
- 12. What else did you learn that you found interesting?

- Site 3: Let's Identify Some Major Concepts at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nuclear power plant and https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nuclear power
 - 13. Define: containment
 - 14. Identify some debate issues surrounding nuclear power: pros and cons.

15. Describe something you found interesting about the **history** or **future** of nuclear power:

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