Careers and Higher Education resources for home learning

When you’re studying at home, it can be difficult to find reliable, up to date and useful resources. We’ve created this list to help with your future planning, whether that’s looking at how to get into the career you want to do in the future, get ideas for what careers might suit you, or think about Higher Education. Most of the resources and links below can be accessed on a computer, tablet or mobile.

Try the Buzz quiz

Takes around 5 minutes and suggests an animal based on your personality type. There are 16 different animals – which one are you? The Buzz quiz also suggests different areas of work people like you work in. It doesn’t mean you can only work in these areas, but it’s an indicator to show where others with the same personality type work, and could suit your personality type.

Use the resources on the HeppSY website

HeppSY have created various resources for students to use at home. They include presentations with audio for students to work through, informational blog posts and slides to link subject learning to skills developed and related careers students may wish to progress onto.

Hepp Hub lesson plans, videos and information sheets

Hepp have plenty of resources for students, staff and parents, for a range of year groups. You need to register, but it takes 2 minutes and is free. Watch the videos (like the ones below), or do some of the activities!

Explore Barclays Life Skills, including virtual work experience

Barclays have lots of activities, videos and useful resources for students who are thinking about their skills, experience or getting a job. You need to register, but it’s free. Here are a few suggestions for where you could start:

- Know your strengths and skills on the ‘Wheel of Strengths’.
- Haven't got a CV or want to improve yours? Use the CV builder.
- Are you applying for an apprenticeship or job that requires an application form? The Job Quiz will help work out what the employer is looking for.
- Have your work experience plans changed? Get some virtual work experience!

Subject guides to consider your options after school

Success at School have open access to all of their subject guides at the moment. If you want to know where a subject could lead if you study it after your GCSEs, have a look at these guides.

Watch ‘The Nine to Five with Stacey Dooley’ on BBC iPlayer

Five 16 – 18 year olds experience five different workplaces in this series. Each episode is 30 minutes long, so you’ve got time to chat or write about what you thought of each workplace and the roles they played after each one! Would you like to do any of these jobs?

Do some careers research

The National Careers Service has hundreds of job profiles you can look at. Have a look at a few careers and answer these questions as a starting point – what would you be doing day to day in that job? What qualifications do you need? How much could you earn?

Discover Creative Careers is an alternative website you could use if you are interested in creative jobs. Answer the following questions when looking at different careers: what would you be doing day to day in that job? What qualifications do you need? How much could you earn?

Prefer watching videos? Learn about other people’s career paths on iCould. A few ideas to get you started:

- Unsure what you’d like to do? Watch a few of the videos below to consider if you might be interested in any of them.
- Want a creative career or enjoy IT? Watch Lee’s story.
- Interested in working in health / enjoy science / want to work for the NHS? Watch Renny’s video.
- Interested in Law? Sonal’s story.
- Interested in the environment, geography, or science? Watch Andrew’s story.
- Enjoy English, Music or writing? Watch Hattie’s story.