

National Careers Week (NCW) is a celebration of careers guidance and free resources in education across the UK. The aim is to provide a focus for careers guidance activity at an important stage in the academic calendar to help support young people leaving education.

In support of this week, we have provided below some resources and advice that may be useful with career planning.

NCW—Virtual Careers Fair

Running from Monday to Friday, each day focussing on a different career path:

Monday—Career Path: Natwest Career Stories

Tuesday—Careers at Sea

Wednesday—Health Careers—A Thousand Lives (NHS)

Thursday—BBC Bitesize—Careers

Friday- Civil Service-Find What you Love

NCW—The Future of Work Guide

Magazine which focusses on the anticipated changes to working roles and environments expected with the Fourth Industrial Revolution and resulting automation. Topics covered include examples of fourth industrial revolution technologies and preparing for the future of work.

NCW—The Parents Guide

Providing parents and carers with information to support their student with the next steps. Topics include how to discuss the future with a teenager, virtual work experience, vocational routes, apprenticeships and starting a business.

(Click on each heading for more information)

Amazing Apprenticeships

A range of resources and films to support National Careers Week; including apprenticeship stories, the first 100 days film (in an apprenticeship) and hints and tips for parents/carers. (click logo for more information)



Amazing

UCAS—National Careers Week



Live expert sessions across a range of topics:

Monday—UCAS Discovery On-Line

An opportunity to meet and speak to university and apprenticeship providers.

Tuesday—What are Employers Looking For

Reed employment will be explaining what skills and qualifications employers look for.

Wednesday—UCAS Careers Discovery Workshop

A practical workshop aimed at helping choose the right career path.

Thursday—Careers Q&A

A careers advisor is available to answer all questions relating to next steps

Friday—Careers of the Future

Worldskills discuss the changes that may happen over the next 5 years in the world of work.

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Springpod



A selection of articles focussing on a variety of careers and other employment related issues. Includes "All you need to know about starting your own business", "What is STEM", "How to stand out at a careers fair" and numerous articles on particular career paths.

Springpod also offer the facility to search for apprenticeship vacancies, work experience opportunities and university open days. (click on logo for more details)

Prospects – Student Career Guide 2021/22



Magazine aimed at supporting students with their next steps. This edition covers using your university experience, skills that employers look for, student wellbeing, self employment and studying & working abroad. (click on logo for more details)

National Careers Service—Get the Jump



An overview of work and/or study choices available when leaving school; including apprenticeships, T-Levels, Traineeships, VTQ's, HTQ's, A 'Levels, Higher Education, School Leaver Schemes and Supported Internships.

Each section has an explanation on what you will do, grades you may need, available subjects, choices on completion, how to find vacancies, types and levels and funding.

There is also a link "Explore Careers" where you can search for more details on specific careers.

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BBC Bitesize

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What is National Careers Week

An explanation of the week, with links to NCW's virtual careers fair and details about Bitesize Careers Takeover on 10 March

Careers

Advice and resources aimed at helping students with their career choices. Including a Q&A Jobs Panel, and segments on job inspiration, applying for jobs, your next steps and working for the BBC.

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My Career Springboard



A free digital careers platform that provides an on-line careers test to help assess what potential careers may be suitable for each individual. On completion, participants are able to explore a variety of industries and roles, with information to support the chosen route. Also offers the facility to search the latest apprenticeship vacancies.

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Paths to Careers—A Parents Guide

Produced by Target Careers, this guide is aimed at parents who are supporting their student with their next steps and career choices. This edition has useful articles on subjects such as comparing going to university versus pursuing an apprenticeship, student debt and finance, work experience, choosing universities and mental wellbeing.

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icould.com

Run by the Education &
Employers charity, icould.com is a resource
that features 1000's of videos supporting
career choices and next steps. Each video
contains labour market information (including
salaries), qualifications and future career
opportunities. Videos can be filtered by job

icould

 First hand stories from existing employees talking about roles, career paths and factors that shaped their career choices.

type or subject, and cover a range of sectors

and levels. Also available on the site are:

- Guides and articles covering topics such as exams and revision, finding and applying for jobs.
- The Buzz Quiz—encouraging self reflection and exploring the link between personality and work.
- Labour Market Information—can be used to help with career decisions.

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School Leaver 200

The newest edition of this publication by Cibyl, aimed at students who are considering what to do when leaving school. Useful information includes first steps to your future, career sector options, work or university: choosing your route, applying to university in four key steps and what are apprenticeships. The "spotlight on employers" highlights five organisations that are considered good school leaver employers—with details on schemes that they offer and routes to consider.

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Youth Employment UK

Founded in 2012 to tackle youth unemployment, the organisation provides support and resources for young people starting on their career. A range of advice and guidance is available, three key areas include:

Explore Work Experience

Explains what is involve and why work experience is so useful, with a virtual guide, digital workbook and selection of videos based around work experience.

On-Line Courses

Free courses to boost skills and careers confidence. Topics include preparing for your future, exploring apprenticeships and journey to work.

Young Professional Training

Aimed at improving life and work skills, this free resource provides participants with access to on-line courses, a careers hub, choices zone and useful hints and tips for young people

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