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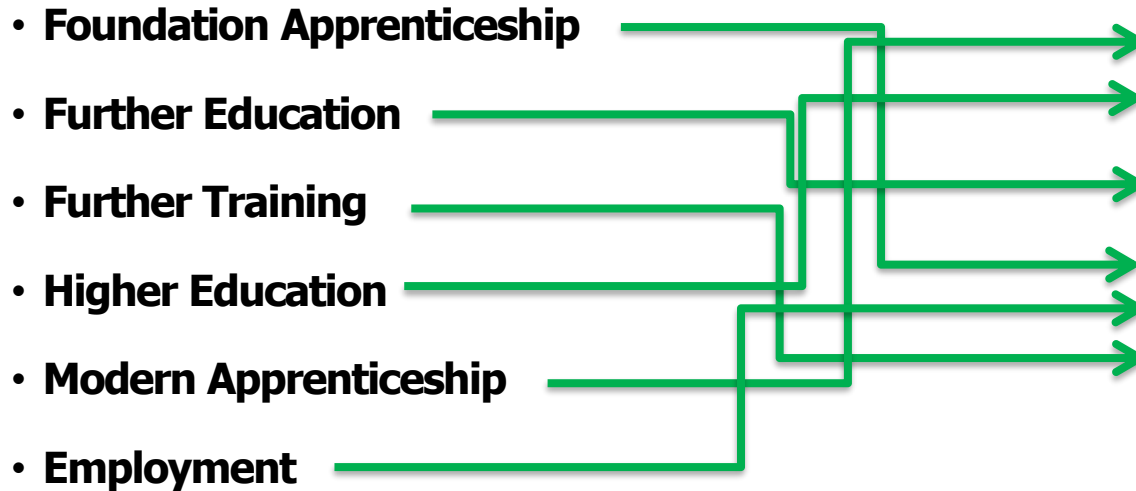
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# Skills Development Scotland (SDS)

- **SDS is the national skills body supporting people and businesses to develop and apply their skills**
- **We work in partnership to enable people to reach their potential**
- **We support people to develop effective career management skills**
- **Developing effective career management skills will enable people to make informed career choices throughout their life.**

# Post-school choices

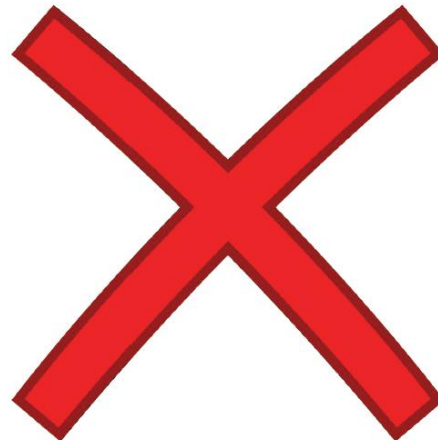


**World** of  
**Work**

# Career Management Skills



# Subject Choice – do's and don'ts



# Support available in school

- **1:1 career coaching interviews**
- **Drop-in sessions**
- **Group activities focused on a range of topics including subject choice, post-school options & developing career management skills**
- **My World of Work web service**
- **Attendance at Parent's Evenings**

# Useful Resources

**My World of Work**

**[www.myworldofwork.co.uk](http://www.myworldofwork.co.uk)**

**My Kid's Career**

**[www.mykidscareer.com](http://www.mykidscareer.com)**



# The help you need for the career you want

Who you are. Where you want to go. How to get there.

New to My World of Work? Tell us more about who you are and why you're here.

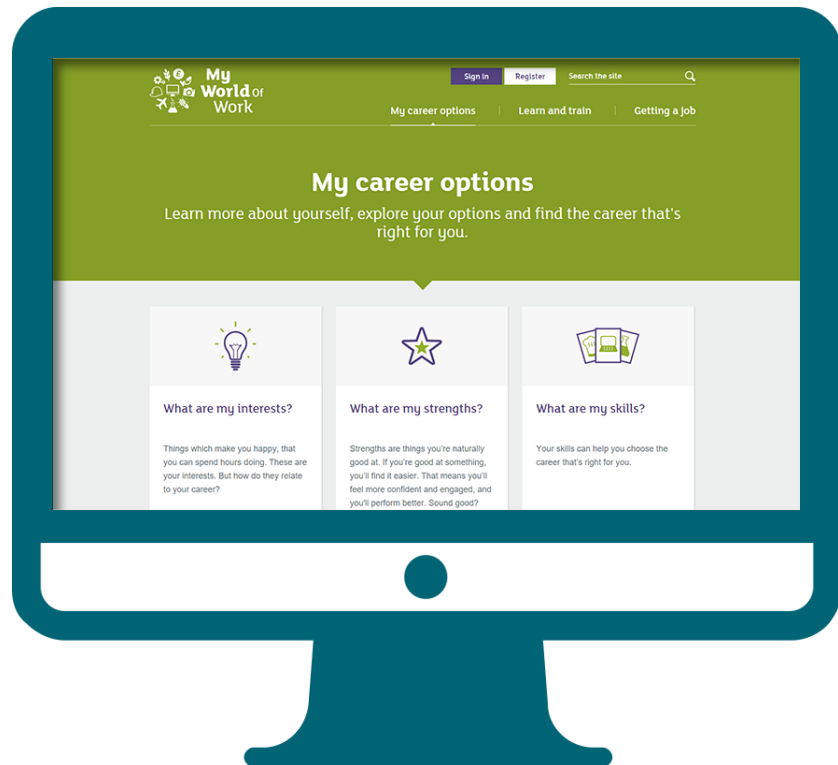
I'm here to plan my own career

[Primary school pupil](#)[Secondary school pupil](#)[College / University student](#)[Employed](#)[Unemployed](#)

I'm here to support someone else with their career plans

[Parent](#)[Primary teacher](#)[Secondary school teacher](#)[College or university staff](#)[SDS partner](#)





## My career options

- **Explore your options, from school subjects right through your career. Find a job that suits you.**



## Choosing my subjects

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Thinking about what subjects to take at school? We can help you with the decision.

[Subject choices tool](#)[Why subject choices are important](#)[Five big questions](#)[Foundation Apprenticeships](#)[What to avoid](#)[Keeping your options open](#)[Talk to a careers adviser](#)[Advice for parents](#)[Jobs of the future](#)

## Subject choices tool

Where could my subjects take me?

Use this search to find out. Enter up to six school subjects including [Foundation Apprenticeships](#).

We'll find jobs where your subjects could be useful.



Enter subject title

Choose some options





# Help for parents and carers



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When it comes to making career decisions, you're one of the first people your child will turn to for help. We'll show you how to use My World of Work with your child, to spark ideas for their career and explore the routes they could take. So, you'll feel confident in supporting them to make important decisions.

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## Finding the right career

### How My World of Work can help

We've designed My World of Work to make it easy for your child to explore, and find out about, careers that might suit them. It helps them to build [career management skills](#), so that they can make the best decisions about what's right for them.

This guide introduces you to some of the features of the site, and how you can use them with your child.

[Starting an account](#) will help your child make the most of My World of Work. You can support your child as they complete the tools and sections in their account.

Each element works with the information in [My career options](#), to show your child jobs, Modern Apprenticeships, and industries that suit them.

1

#### About me

[About me](#) is an easy tool to get them started. It relates interests to different jobs, to help them find a career they'll really enjoy.

You can use the [What are my interests?](#) section along with this tool

2

#### Strengths

[Strengths](#) helps your child recognise things they have a natural flair for. Playing to their strengths ultimately helps them choose a fulfilling career where they can excel.

To find out more about Strengths, you could read the [What are my strengths?](#) section with your child

3

#### Skills

[Skills](#) lets your child select their skills and find out how they relate to jobs.

Use the [What are my skills?](#) section with your child to talk through how they build and develop their skills

# Scotland needs over 70,000 digital experts by 2024. Know anyone?

## My Kid's Career - Smart choices, bright futures

### Jobs of the future

Stay up-to-date with the sectors that are set to grow. We've highlighted some industries that are on the rise, to help you explore where they could go.

You'll find details on the vacancies advertised over the past 12 months, and details on the salaries associated with these roles.

Source:

\*Oxford Economics Forecast data for Scotland

†Burning Glass Technologies; Labour Insight, 2018

### Opportunities: now

Avg. salary & jobs advertised†

Job role	Average salary / Jobs	
Software developer	£52,900	3,286
Project manager	£61,600	4,944
Nurse	£30,900	14,929
Mechanical engineer	£38,300	1,041

### Opportunities: 2024

Predicted jobs by sector\*

Sector	Predicted jobs
Financial and business services	30,000
Construction	54,500
Health and social care	65,700
Engineering	9,000

# The jobs of the future

There's a world of opportunity out there



## Engineering

Between now and 2024, the UK needs 182,000 new workers with engineering skills - doubling the number of graduates and apprentices entering the industry. Opportunities are spread across many careers, suitable for people with all sorts of talents. Roles in demand include **aerospace engineer**, **manufacturing systems engineer**, and **geoscientist**. Routes into the industry are similarly varied, and there's a wealth of initiatives aimed at young people to inform them of available and get them excited about opportunities.

[FIND MORE JOB PROFILES](#)

## The skills of the future

Whilst the jobs market is changing, these skills will always be in demand



### Self-management

Focusing our attention, adapting to changing circumstances, demonstrating initiative and integrity will keep us productive and efficient.

[MANAGING THE NOW →](#)



### Social intelligence

Connection is more important than ever. Understanding different perspectives, demonstrating empathy, collaboration and leadership improve communication.

[CONNECT WITH THE WORLD →](#)



### Innovation

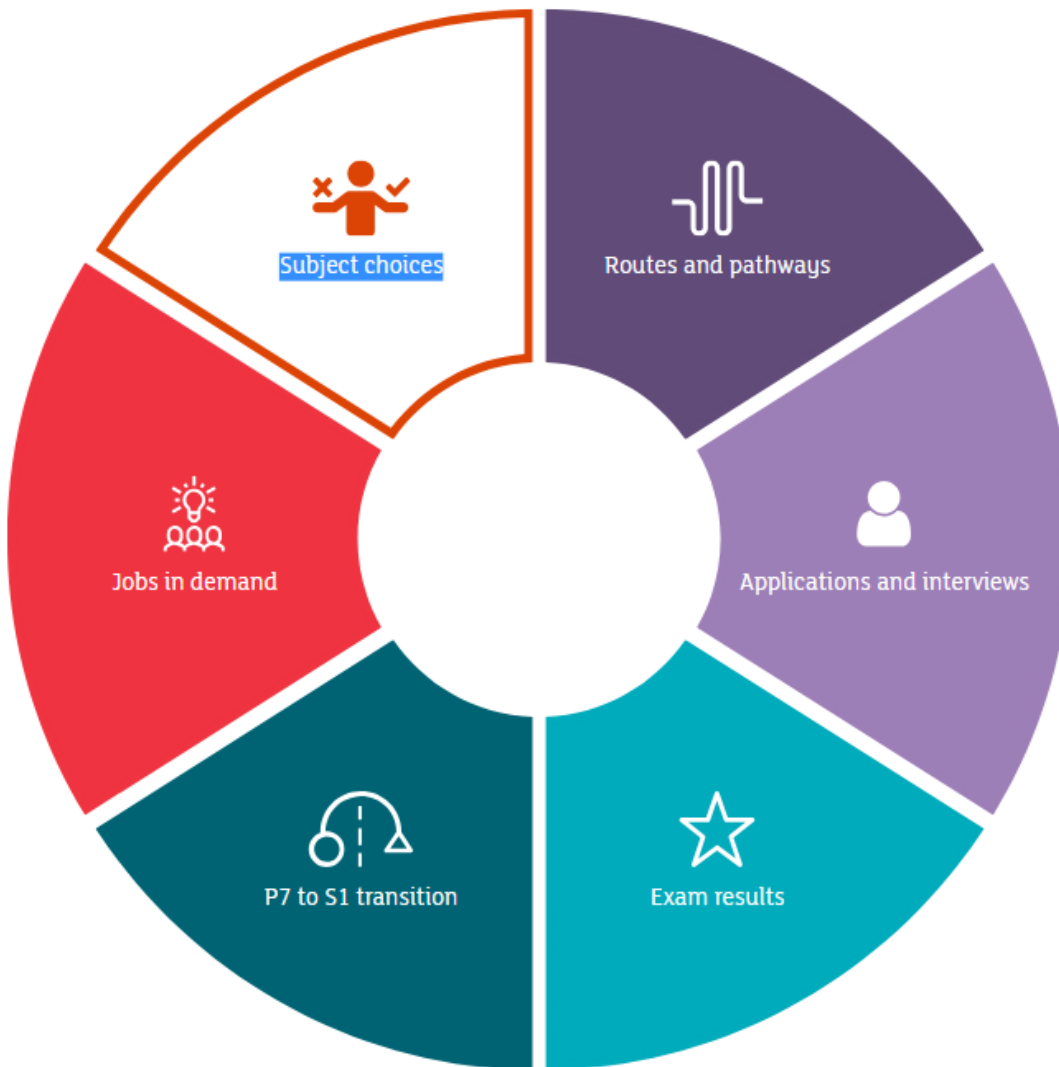
By staying curious, using creativity and critical thinking to make sense of the information we're presented with, we'll be able to create and exploit opportunities.

[CREATE OUR OWN CHANGE →](#)



# Career discussions

Talk careers with confidence - select one of our step-by-step guides. Click on a segment to find out more.



## Understand subject choices:

- 1 What to consider in S5/S6
- 2 What to consider in S2/S3
- 3 Articulation routes
- 4 Where you fit in

It's a big decision - but shouldn't be daunting. We've got the advice to help them choose the right direction.

[FIND OUT MORE ABOUT SUBJECT CHOICES](#)

Produced in partnership with National Parent Forum Scotland, and written by parents for parents, this guide to Career Education in Scotland sets out the opportunities your child will have and details SDS input at each school year. Download it at:

[npfs.org.uk/career-education-a-world-of-possibilities](http://npfs.org.uk/career-education-a-world-of-possibilities)

CURRICULUM FOR EXCELLENCE IN A NUTSHELL  
The National Parent Forum of Scotland Introduction to Career Education



## Career Education: A World of Possibilities

Welcome to our Introduction to Career Education. Written for parents/carers by parents, this guide gives you important information about the exciting new approach to Career Education which aims to improve how children learn about the world of work.

Through Curriculum for Excellence, children and young people are learning crucial skills. Now they will be encouraged to understand the importance of these skills so that they can make positive and well-informed choices about jobs and careers throughout their learning journey. By learning about the world of work, they will gain a better understanding of how their skills, interests and strengths can be used in the workplace. With your help and the support of teachers, employers and careers advisers from Skills Development Scotland (SDS), this will open up a world of possibilities for every child.

Yours in partnership  
The National Parent Forum of Scotland  
[www.parentforumsotland.org](http://www.parentforumsotland.org)

### In the following pages, you will find:

- information about the opportunities that your child will have from the ages of 3 to 18
- practical ideas for parents/carers and schools
- examples of Career Education in action
- a list of the extensive entitlements for children and young people
- useful contacts plus details about [www.myworldofwork.co.uk](http://www.myworldofwork.co.uk)
- information about Modern Apprenticeships
- links to National Parent Forum of Scotland resources



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**In school Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday**

**Employability Hub / Office of the school library**

**Drop in to make an appointment or contact me  
through Pupil Support**