WHAT NEXT?

AFTER THE FAIR

It’s good planning to look into all of your options before deciding what your next move will be, otherwise how will you know that you are making the right decision?

Here are some useful websites that might help you to do some research to help you decide.

- GET RESEARCHING JOBS AND CAREERS
  - www.nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk
  - www.startprofile.com
  - www.careersbox.co.uk
  - www.icould.com
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- RESEARCH THE JOB MARKET FOR NOW AND THE FUTURE
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- WHAT COULD AN APPRENTICESHIP DO FOR YOU?
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We can help you to:
- explore local work or training opportunities
- consider your options with a professionally trained Careers Adviser
- become an apprentice

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### Academic Qualifications

Academic qualifications are degrees, diplomas, certificates, professional titles. You would study for these either full-time or part-time. GCSEs and A levels are also examples of academic study. A levels usually include the study of 3 or 4 subjects, over 2 years.

### Vocational Qualifications

General qualifications that develop practical skills and knowledge related to an employment area. They can be offered in both schools and colleges. They include a significant amount of classroom-based activities. Assessment is usually by both written and practical examinations.

### Higher Education (HE)

A diverse range of courses and qualifications, such as first degrees, HNDs, and foundation degrees. It includes any qualification at Level 4 and above.

### ESOL

ESOL stands for English for Speakers of Other Languages. It’s aimed at students learning English as a foreign language. IELTS is used to progress into higher education or professional vocational study.

### Study Programme

- **Lasts for a maximum of 6 months**
- **Work towards a Maths and English qualification**
- **Could include work experience**
- **Develop confidence, motivation, social and employability skills.**

### Further Education (FE) College

- **Learning in a classroom environment**
- **Part time or full time study options available**
- **Could attend a college as part of an apprenticeship.**

### Apprenticeship

- **Gain knowledge, skills and a qualification at work**
- **Minimum 30 hours per week**
- **Mixture of on the job and off the job learning**
- **Minimum apprentice wage of £3.50**
- **Lasts for a minimum of 12 months**
- **Study at level 2 to level 6 (higher and degree apprenticeships are available).**

### Traineeship

- **Lasts between 1 month to 6 months**
- **Work towards a Maths and English qualification**
- **Preparation for work with a focus on work experience and gaining skills needed to get a job or apprenticeship.**

### Which Qualification?

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### Futures Fact

**You can study ESOL in the UK or abroad**

**Which Choice is Right for You at the End of Year 11?**

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If you need help working out which progression route is right for you, contact a careers adviser on 0115 960 1597.

Did you know there is a new grading system for GCSEs?

Some subjects are continuing to use the existing grading system.

ESOL stands for English for Speakers of Other Language

BTEC stands for Business Technician Education Council

HND stands for Higher National Diploma

NVQ stands for National Vocational Qualification

GCSE stands for General Certificate of Secondary Education

IELTS stands for International English Language Testing System
Lots of exhibitors will have exciting activities for you to try as well as useful information about what to do next.

**CAREERS ADVICE**

All exhibitors will provide careers advice and information on their own opportunities. Futures Advice, Skills and Employment will have dedicated expert advisers offering free impartial careers advice to help you make choices about your future.

**EDUCATION**

A number of school sixth forms and colleges of further education will be represented at the event. On offer will be a range of post-16 courses including A levels, GCSEs, BTECs and NVQs. You may also be able to access additional support for special educational needs. Universities and colleges of higher education will be on hand to provide information about their degree courses, entry requirements, student finance and life at university.

**EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING**

Employers and training providers will be available to talk to you about various options including apprenticeships, traineeships and job vacancies. It is worth considering that all exhibitors are themselves employers, ask about apprenticeship opportunities to work for them.

Training providers offering apprenticeships in a range of sectors are attending the fair.

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**WHAT ABOUT PARENTS AND CARERS?**

To help give them the best start you can support your child by:

- talking about their future plans
- listening to and respecting their views
- being realistic about their options
- speaking to teachers and attending parents’ events
- researching the options available yourself
- seeking careers advice from Futures

**WHAT ABOUT YOUR FUTURE?**

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- want to change career
- are facing redundancy
- need to improve your chances of getting a job

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Use this floor plan to locate exhibitors you want to talk to if you already have an idea about your next steps, or to find out who is here.

You’ll find a description of the different types of exhibitors on the ‘What’s on’ pages (7 and 8).

Exhibitors can be subject to change so please go to the Futures reception if you struggle to find what you’re looking for.

**REFRESHMENTS**

Drinks and snacks can be purchased from the venue by the public during evening sessions only.

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**My Action Plan**

**Careers Advice**

My first/preferred career choice would be: .................................................................
I could work at: (employer) ..........................................................................................
As an: (job title) ............................................................................................................
Because: ......................................................................................................................

My best education choice would be: (qualification) ...................................................
At: (sixth form or college) ............................................................................................
I could study: (subject) ..................................................................................................
Because: ......................................................................................................................

My best apprenticeship choice would be: .................................................................
At level: (qualification) ............................................................................................... 
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