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CEIAG Key Websites for Key Stage 5

Key Stage	Website	Background
Key Stage 5	<p>https://www.ucas.com/</p> <p>https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/open-days/</p> <p>https://icould.com/</p> <p>https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/</p> <p>https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/</p> <p>http://www.work-experience.org.uk/</p> <p>https://www.shell-livewire.org/</p> <p>https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/help-for-young-people/support-starting-business</p> <p>https://www.allaboutcareers.com/</p> <p>https://vinspired.com/</p> <p>http://www.iwill.org.uk/get-involved/young-people/</p> <p>www.volunteering.org.uk</p> <p>https://do-it.org</p> <p>www.youthaction.org.uk</p> <p>www.csv.org.uk</p> <p>www.timebanking.org</p>	<p>UCAS is an independent charity providing information, advice, and admissions services to inspire and facilitate educational progression. Find University Open Days Real stories to inspire your career See WVPC Key Stage 3 information A Scottish website looking into all career options National Council for Work Experience Offers support information and advice for 16-30 year olds considering setting up their own business.</p> <p>They support unemployed people between 18 and 30 to work out if their business ideas are viable and if self-employment is right for them. Thorough resource on careers/futures Vinspired is the UK's leading volunteering charity for 14 - 25 year olds. See IWill Key Stage 3 information Volunteering England Do It! Youth Action Network CSV (Community Service Volunteers) Time Bank</p>



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<p>www.reachskills.org.uk https://www.volunteerics.org/</p> <p>https://www.ncsyas.co.uk/about-ncs https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/opportunities/individuals/students/studying-abroad_en</p> <p>https://www.usa.gov/study-in-us#item-35632 https://university.which.co.uk/courses http://www.parentalguidance.org.uk/making-choices https://www.prospects.ac.uk/planner https://www.gov.uk/topic/further-education-skills/apprenticeships https://www.getingofar.gov.uk/ https://www.3aaa.co.uk/apprentice/ https://www.unifrog.org/ https://jobs.theguardian.com/article/why-the-first-page-of-your-cv-is-the-most-important/ https://www.monster.co.uk/career-advice/article/what-are-the-basic-elements-of-a-cv https://university.which.co.uk/advice/student-finance/student-finance-budgeting-things-to-remember https://www.telegraph.co.uk/education/universityeducation/student-finance/11803555/A-level-results-a-parents-guide-to-university-budgeting.html https://www.ucas.com/finance/managing-money/budget-calculator https://jobs.telegraph.co.uk/article/50-best-interview-tips/</p>	<p>REACH International Citizen Service (ICS) provides overseas volunteer placements for 18–25 year olds See Key Stage 4 information Erasmus+ helps organise student and doctoral candidate exchanges within Erasmus+ countries and to and from Partner countries. Studying in USA Not sure what to study? Parental guidance on Choices What job would suit me? Apprenticeships Finding an apprenticeship Company that assist with apprenticeships Unifrog provides assistance to students for exploring their interests and finding and successfully applying for their best next step after school. CV writing The importance of a CV</p> <p>Budgeting and finance through University</p>
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	<p>https://www.theguardian.com/careers/careers-blog/five-ways-to-improve-your-interview-technique https://university.which.co.uk/advice/ucas-application/university-interviews-how-to-prepare https://www.futurelearn.com/</p>	<p>Interview technique MOOC</p>
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7 Key things to think about WRT Post 18 options:

1. Universities

<https://www.ucas.com/ucas/events/find/type/open-day>

Find University Open Days through UCAS

<https://www.ucas.com/>

UCAS stands for Universities and Colleges Admissions Service. It's the centralised service that students use to apply to university. It provides a HUGE wealth of information about life after school.

<https://www.unifrog.org/>

Unifrog provides assistance to students for exploring their interests and finding and successfully applying for their best next step after school.

<https://us.suttontrust.com/>

Studying abroad-USA.

2. Apprenticeships

Apprenticeships combine practical training in a job with study. As an apprentice you'll work alongside experienced staff:

- gain job-specific skills
- earn a wage and get holiday pay
- get time for study related to your role (usually one day a week)

Apprenticeships take 1 to 5 years to complete depending on their level.

<https://www.gov.uk/topic/further-education-skills/apprenticeships>



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<https://www.getingofar.gov.uk/>

An example of a company that assist with apprenticeships:

<https://www.3aaa.co.uk/apprentice/>

There are many agencies that advertise apprenticeships:

<https://www.indeed.co.uk/jobs?q=Apprenticeships&l=Walsall&jt=apprenticeship>

Walsall College offer a link to a number of apprenticeships:

<https://www.walsallcollege.ac.uk/jobs/psidebar/apprenticeship-jobs>

3. Work experience

Work experience provides many benefits, giving you skills and experience that will allow you stand out to potential employers as well as helping you choose the right sector to work in.

<https://www.allaboutcareers.com/careers-advice/work-experience/why-is-work-experience-important>

An article highlighting the HUGE value of work experience

<https://www.groundwork.org.uk/Sites/youthhub/pages/finding-work-experience-school-and-college-students-xmarks>

Ideas on finding work experience placements

4. CV writing

Information on the importance of CVs.

<https://jobs.theguardian.com/article/why-the-first-page-of-your-cv-is-the-most-important/>

<https://www.monster.co.uk/career-advice/article/what-are-the-basic-elements-of-a-cv>



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5. Budgeting and finance

Advice on budgeting and finance through University.

<https://university.which.co.uk/advice/student-finance/student-finance-budgeting-things-to-remember>

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/education/universityeducation/student-finance/11803555/A-level-results-a-parents-guide-to-university-budgeting.html>

<https://www.ucas.com/finance/managing-money/budget-calculator>

6. MOOCs

A Mooc is an online university short course aimed at making higher education more accessible to people.

A professor from the University of Bath on Moocs..

“Moocs provide you with access to high quality learning materials and offer a taster of exciting and innovative topics which are taught in leading universities. You can experience a new discipline, whilst being supported by experts in their fields and peers with similar interests, prior to committing to studying for a full award.”

<https://www.futurelearn.com/>

7. Interview technique

<https://jobs.telegraph.co.uk/article/50-best-interview-tips/>

<https://www.theguardian.com/careers/careers-blog/five-ways-to-improve-your-interview-technique>

<https://university.which.co.uk/advice/ucas-application/university-interviews-how-to-prepare>



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