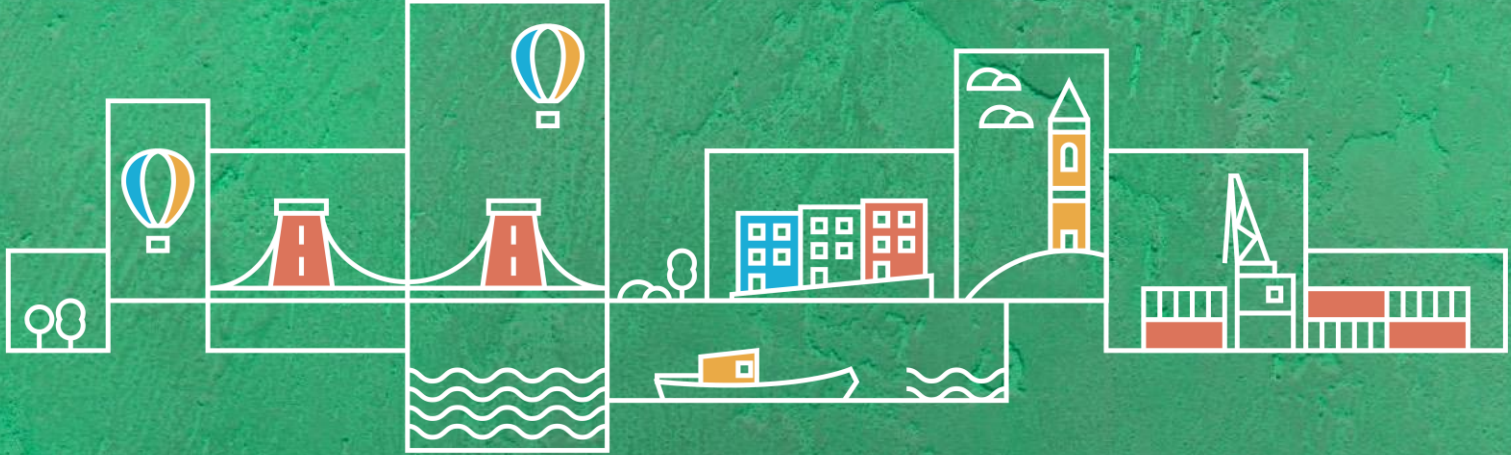


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Consider all the options for your next step

Then tick off the steps to success

Use the information in this presentation to get ready for take off

Step 1 – What to do?

Where to go?

- Sixth Form
- Sixth Form College
- Further Education College
- Apprenticeship

What Kind of Experience do you want?

- Similar to what you are used to?
- Bigger with the chance to meet new people?
- The chance to take new work based subjects?
- I feel I am ready for the workplace?

Step 2 – Type of course

What kind of study experience do you want?

Academic course e.g. History, Sociology

Semi Vocational e.g. Business, IT

Vocational e.g. Catering, Hairdressing (this could be FE College or Apprenticeship)

Step 3 – Apply

Its not too late to apply for new courses or apprenticeships to start in September.

Apply online – In many cases it is possible to have a phone or video call interview

Match your skills – Try to think of examples from school work, sport, work experience, babysitting etc, that show skills and knowledge that would be useful for the course or job you are applying to

Keep a log of who you have applied to. Especially if you are applying for jobs or apprenticeships

Step 4 – Logistics

Travel – Do you know how you will get there? Check if your school/college offers help with travel costs

Grades – Do you feel confident that you will get the grades they ask for? Check if your school/college has a back up if you miss out on your predicted grades. You can apply to more than 1 school/college If you are feeling nervous about the entry grades.

Money matters – You may be able to get help with support for equipment, trips, travel and meals whilst studying after year 11. Ask about bursaries at your school/college

Extra Help – If you need extra time in exams or other support, make sure you pass this information on if you are studying somewhere new.

Step 5 – Top Tips

Check your inbox – Providers will have lots of information to share with you.

Get Digital – Follow the school/college social media and look out for Q&A sessions or video content to help you get a feel for the place.

Keep Going – You can get rusty if you take a break from study. Keep studying and doing home learning to prevent this from happening.

If you don't feel sure, ask questions– Contact school, college or employers via phone or email. They will answer all of your questions so that you can feel confident about starting with them. Also ask your current teachers for support if you feel you need it.

Step 6 – Get Settled

Don't be afraid to ask people for advice or help – They will be relieved to know there's someone else who also isn't sure about what to do. It is also a good way to meet new people.

Sign up to things and get involved – There will be a new range of exciting activities and events to get involved with. You can meet new people who share the same interests.

Get to know your tutors – The learning environment will be a little different to GCSEs. You will have a lot more face to face time with your tutors, and your relationship will be a lot more open.

Go to class – This may seem obvious, but it really does help. Getting to class every day is the easiest way to make sure you don't fall behind and get snowed under with work, especially as the workload is a little more intense.



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