



Student Guide

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Work is still some way off for you and you've time to consider what you'd like to do but use the information within this careers fair today to learn more about the opportunities in front of you. Ask questions to the exhibitors in the live chat to learn more about what they do and can offer you. Take this opportunity and Be Curious about your future.....

Prizes will be given for the three top scoring students who engage the most throughout the careers fair...

	Points
Visit an Exhibitor Booth	5
Download content from a booth and add to your Swag bag	10
Watch an entire video from a booth or auditorium	15
Ask exhibitor a question about their content, company, job	25

Here are a few tips for how you may wish to navigate the site.

1. Enter the Auditorium

Select one of the videos on offer to watch and consider the following :



- What appeals to me the most and what doesn't interest me? Why/why not?
- What questions can I now ask the employers or colleges within the fair to help me understand more about what the video is talking about?

2. Enter the Exhibition Hall and talk to employers



Choose from the following list of employers that all have a booth in the fair. Visit at least 3 employers and at each booth:

- Find out at least **one** thing that the company does
- Find out at least **one** career path that this company offers, and what qualifications and skills you need to do it.
- Don't forget to use your swag bag if you want to take information away with you.
- Using the information ask the employer at each booth **one** question to understand more. Some questions to start you off are at the back of this guide.



3 Enter the Exhibition Hall and talk to colleges, universities & training providers



The following colleges and universities have a booth in the fair. After GCSEs you can go to college and either study for A Levels or BTECs which is an academic route. From here you can go on to university if you wish to. Or you can go to college and study for a technical qualification such as a diploma or apprenticeship in a field of work that interests you.

- Find out from the colleges if they offer academic or technical qualifications.
- Choose one course from the college or university you visit. What GCSEs grades or A Levels do you need to do it?
- Don't forget to use your swag bag if you want to take information away with you.
- Using the information ask the college or university **one** question to understand more. Some questions to start you off are at the back of this guide.





Here are some suggested Questions for you to ask at each exhibition booth

What to ask in the live chat to someone from a College or University about a course you like the sound of.....?

- What is covered in this course?
- How is the course assessed?
- What can I study alongside this course? Or subject?
- How many hours of taught time will I have?
- How many hours will I spend in the workplace? (If applicable)
- What if my GCSE grades fall short of the entry requirements?
- What is the difference between a T level and an apprenticeship?
- Can I go onto university after doing a college course?
- What have other students gone on to do after this course?

What to ask an employer in the live chat about their company?

- Do they have an apprenticeship scheme or a graduate scheme?
- What is the difference between a graduate scheme and an apprenticeship scheme?
- What careers are there in the company.
- What interests or skills to people have that are suited to this career?
- What qualifications do people leaving college or university need to have to apply to their company?
- What do they look for in young person?
- What advice would they give someone still in school about life in work after I finish education?