Student Careers Pack

Maiden Erlegh School Reading





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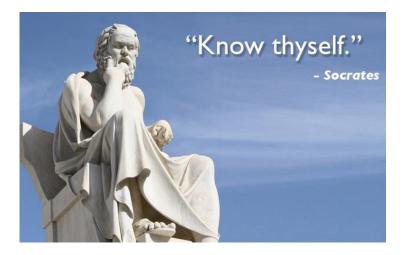
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Section 1: i)



Knowing yourself... Your: strengths weaknesses skills values preferences As well as... what you enjoy what brings you the most fulfilment

Are all key in helping you:-

- 1) Consider careers which may suit you well
- 2) Discover routes into those careers, which suit you best



Section 1: ii)

Buy a book or create a file – call it 'Career Ideas', 'My Career Dreams', or something similar. In it - begin to brainstorm - list what makes you, you – your abilities, skills, strengths...

Hard Skills (measurable skills):

A definition of ability – "talent, skill, or proficiency in a particular area" A definition of hard skills – "**Hard skills** are teachable abilities or **skill** sets that are easy to quantify. You typically learn them through the classroom, at work or through studying training/teaching resources."

Soft and Transferable Skills

A definition of a Soft Skill – Wikipedia describe skills as:

"...a combination of people **skills**, social **skills**, **communication skills**, character or personality traits, attitudes, career attributes, social intelligence and emotional intelligence quotients, among others, that enable people to navigate their environment, work well with others, perform well, and achieve."

A definition of Transferable Skills – Indeed.co.uk describe them as follows:

"...**Transferable skills**, also known as "portable skills," are qualities that can be transferred from one job to another. You likely already possess many transferable skills employers want, like organization or strong communication. You can strengthen those skills and develop new ones that employers value across industries and jobs."

Soft and Transferable skills are highly sort after by employers and universities. Research the words below. Write down the ones you already have, and give examples. Also write those you would like to work toward or improve upon:

Adaptability **Analytical Skills Commercial awareness** Communication **Decision making Flexibility** Initiative Innovation I.T. Skills Leadership Negotiation Networking Organisation **Problem solving** Research Resilience **Teamwork** Time management.... There are more soft/transferable skills, can you find them online? 4

Weaknesses: It is good to be self-aware. While we do not need to focus on our weaknesses all the time, it is important to be aware of areas you need to work on – is it *time management? Or Teamwork?* How can you improve on your weaknesses? Employers will be keen to know how you are working on your weaknesses too. Always seek to frame weaknesses in a positive way and let Employers know you are working on them.

A common interview question – Tell us about your strengths and weaknesses! Start preparing now, it will definitely help you ©.

TASK: List the abilities / hard skills, soft and transferable skills you have...

A few examples:

Subjects you are good at in school –

- Where you achieve your best grades
- When you have achieved a clear outcome won a prize or commendation for a piece of work / artwork / written work, etc.
- An ability to communicate in another language

A skill you have acquired in your spare time – at a club, or at home –

• learning to play a musical instrument

• achieving a badge as part of a Uniformed organisation, e.g. Scouts, Girls'/Boys' Brigade, Guides, Air Cadets, Sea Cadets, Army Cadets, Volunteer Police Cadets, etc.

- Others tell you they love a particular dish you make
- You are able to fix and mend things bikes, computers, clothes

• Success within a sport – within a team, competitively, or achieving a certain level – e.g. different belts within Judo, School or Local Team, etc.

Can you think of any more strengths and skills? Why not ask at home and your friends too?

Write them down.

Don't worry if you are unable to think of many examples right now, your abilities and hard skills will grow as you go through life and acquire more!



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Section 1: iii) and iv)



Complete Personality and Careers quizzes at:

- <u>https://www.16personalities.com/</u> (Learn about yourself and what makes you, you)
- <u>www.icould.com</u> or <u>www.ucas.com</u> (Buzz Quiz short Personality and career matching test)
- <u>www.prospects.ac.uk</u> (You will need to register online)
- www.sacu-student.com (You will need to register online)



Research careers, find job profiles and related information at:

- <u>www.careerpilot.org.uk</u> (excellent all-round website including information, skills matching and videos)
- <u>https://www.adviza.org.uk/who-am-i/young-person</u>
- <u>https://www.allaboutcareers.com/</u>
- <u>www.icould.com</u> (includes videos of people talking about their Job roles)
- <u>http://www.careerninja.co.uk</u> for the free careers personality test
- <u>www.healthcareers.nhs.uk</u> for a wide range of detailed NHS careers information
- <u>www.prospects.ac.uk</u> good source of careers information and what you can do with your degree.
- <u>www.planitplus.net</u> see careers areas or the careers match quiz
- <u>http://www.tomorrowsengineers.org.uk/</u> engineering information
- <u>https://www.lmiforall.org.uk/explore lmi/</u>(important 'Labour Market Information' – including salary, estimated growth relating to different jobs/sectors, etc.)

Section 2:

Post 16 Options and Qualification Levels 1, 2 and 3

The beauty of education and training between the ages of 16-18/19 is that it is free! It is also a time when students can focus and go deeper into subjects which interest them, gain invaluable work experience, and choose their preferred way of studying.

The government want every student to continue in some form of education / training until they are 18.

It important to research and understand what is available. Choose the options which will enable you to excel and get **your** best grades.

Be sure to check entry requirements for schools, colleges and apprenticeships.

A-Levels

A-levels (advanced level qualifications) cover a variety of subjects and are exam based (apart from more practical subjects like Art, D.T. and Photograph which involve more coursework). They are one of the options allowing you to go on to university, if you achieve the required grades (certain subjects may be required to study certain courses). Some courses (e.g. Medicine) and universities (e.g. Oxford and Cambridge, and some Russell Group Universities) currently only recognise A-levels and some require the top grades – $A^{*'}$ s and A's, while others will accept grades B – C or D, for entry). This form of study relies more on classroom teaching and independent study, followed by exams at the end of 2 years. Explore the subjects available at Sixth Form and some Colleges. Most people choose to study 3 A-Levels (standardly required by universities), but some opt to study 4 (and may then drop a subject). Be sure you are interested in the subjects you choose and will be most likely to achieve your best grades in them. Alevels often require around 5 GCSE's at grade 5, with potentially grade 6 or 7 achieved in the subject you are aiming for (e.g. some schools require a 7 at GCSE to study A-level Maths, and a grade 6 in certain other subjects to study a Science subject, English or History, for example). Some colleges require lower grades for entry. Students often find A-levels a much bigger stretch than GCSEs as they go much deeper into the subject. If you are unsure, talk with your teacher about whether A-levels will be a good fit for you.

https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/information/a-levels

Applied A-Levels (some are also referred to as Extended Certificates)

Applied A-Levels are the equivalent to A-levels but are balanced between coursework and exams – roughly 50-50. Subjects offered currently include: Applied Criminology, Applied Games Production, Applied Human Biology, Applied IT, Applied Production Arts, Applied Psychology, Applied Law. They are offered by some Colleges and Sixth Forms.

Applied Levels will suit those who wish to show their ability through coursework, as well as exams. They are also a good option for students who wish to do a more coursework based qualification, but do not wish to commit to one subject area (as would be required with the BTEC Extended Diploma).

https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/information/vocational-qualifications/types-of-vocationalqualifications/applied-general-qualifications

Apprenticeships

Apprenticeships combine work with learning and you get paid as well! This option is good if you are clear which career you would like to follow, and are looking to start work as soon as possible. You can find out more about apprenticeships and search for vacancies in your local area on the official government apprenticeship site: https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch .

You can start an apprenticeship straight after GCSEs (Intermediate level and Advanced level – depending on your GCSE grades). You can follow apprenticeships through all the way to degree level in some career sectors if you wanted to. Many colleges help to organise apprenticeships so contacting them may help, along with searching via apprenticeship websites.

****It is strongly advised you apply for college as back-up****

https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/information/apprenticeships

T-Levels

T-levels are new Level 3 courses which combine study at college with periods of work experience with a company. Like all Level 3 courses, they last two years. They will likely require the types of grades required to study A-levels (around grade 5). This will be a good option if you feel career about your career goals and if you prefer to be practical, gain experience, alongside studying. Certain subjects are being rolled out at a few colleges. They will eventually cover a wider range of subjects. You can find out more about them here: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/introduction-of-t-levels/int

Traineeships

A traineeship is a course with work experience that gets you ready for work or an apprenticeship. It can last up to 6 months.

You can apply if you're:

•eligible to work in England

•unemployed and have little or no work experience

•aged 16 to 24 and qualified below Level 3

Search for opportunities here: <u>https://www.gov.uk/find-traineeship</u>

https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/information/apprenticeships/traineeships

Vocational Courses – e.g. BTEC / other Technical Certificates and Diplomas:

These are work-related courses delivered mostly by colleges, and some sixth forms. They are available at different levels, to suit your GCSE qualifications – ranging from creative to construction to computing to engineering to vehicle maintenance to media and many more subjects. These courses usually combine coursework and fewer exams. You will need to work consistently throughout the course, meeting coursework deadlines. Many Universities accept BTEC qualifications. Employers appreciate the skills you learn in time management through this type of course. More traditional universities (e.g. Oxford and Cambridge and some Russell Group universities, may not recognise BTEC, or may require a single A-level alongside (the equivalent to taking 4 A-levels). Therefore, it is worth considering what you may like to study and where – research these options, and work backwards.

Level 3: Entry requirements for level 3 courses such as the BTEC National Diploma (equivalent to 3 A-Level) and BTEC National Certificates (equivalent to 1 A-Level) are usually GCSE grades 4 and 5 which is a bit lower than some schools/colleges for A-levels.

Level 2: Entry requirements for level 2 courses e.g. BTEC are usually a certain number of GCSEs at grade 3. **Foundation Level 1:** This is a post entry level qualification. Some colleges start students training for technical trades and professions at this level – e.g. Hairdressing and Motor Vehicle Maintenance (others start you on the Level 2 course, or even Level 3). Level 1 courses are usually available in most subjects. They tend to require no qualifications, but you need to show enthusiasm and professionalism, and a desire to succeed, through your application and interview.

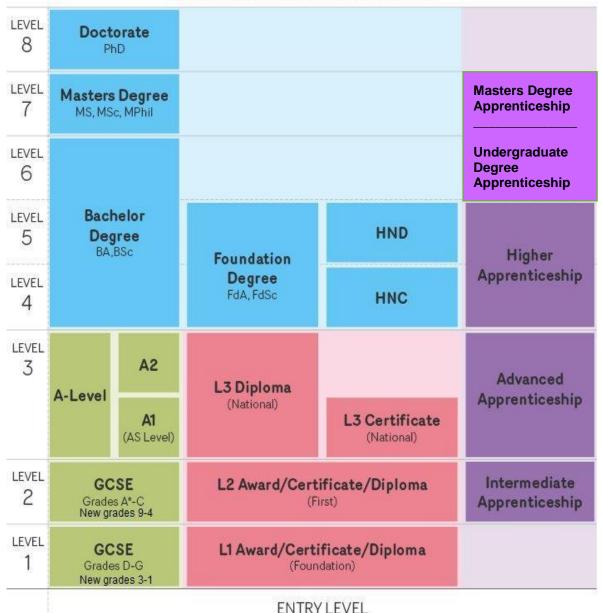
Many courses are offered at all the local colleges. Some subjects like catering, construction trades, animal care and horticulture are only offered at some of the colleges so, again, check all these details carefully. https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/information/vocational-qualifications/what-are-vocational-qualifications

- It is important to **consider what career you are interested in** to help you map a path toward that goal.
- Some careers will require very specific routes e.g. Medicine.
- It is important to **choose options** which will **enable you to flourish** and **achieve <u>your</u> best grades**. A-Levels are not best for everyone, and BTEC or an apprenticeship do not suit everyone...

What is best for <u>you?</u>



Section 3: Qualification Levels



National Qualifications Framework

Section 4: Further Education i) Sixth Forms

Your School: Maiden Erlegh School https://www.maidenerleghschool.co.uk/

Other Sixth Forms:

Reading and Woodley:

Bulmershe	https://www.thebulmersheschool.com/				
Denefield	http://www.denefield.org.uk/				
Highdown	https://www.highdown.reading.sch.uk/				
Hugh Farringdon	https://www.hughfaringdon.org/				
John Madejski	https://www.johnmadejskiacademy.co.uk/				
Kendrick	https://www.kendrick.reading.sch.uk/ (for Girls)				
Prospect	http://www.prospect.reading.sch.uk/				
Reading Girls	http://www.readinggirlsschool.co.uk/				
Reading Boys	https://www.reading-school.co.uk/ (for Boys)				
Waingels	https://www.waingels.wokingham.sch.uk/				
The Wren	https://www.wrenschool.org/				

Bracknell and Wokingham:

Edgbarrow School	www.edgbarrowschool.co.uk				
Brakenhale School	www.brakenhale.co.uk				
Ranelagh School	www.ranelagh.bracknell-forest.sch.uk				
Sandhurst School	www.sandhurstschool.org.uk/				
St Crispin's School	www.crispins.co.uk				
Emmbrook School	www.emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk				
Charters School	www.chartersschool.org.uk				
Easthampstead Park	www.epschool.org				
The Holt	https://www.holtschool.co.uk/				

*Please note, the above list is not exhaustive. You can find details of Local Authority and Independent schools via Council/Local Authority websites, google and google maps.

****Be sure to check dates of Sixth Form Open Days / Evenings and application deadlines****



ii) Further Education Colleges



Note - Dates that have been announced to date for this academic year – additional dates for some colleges may be added later. Some may be virtual. Please check websites regularly and before attending in case details have changed.

College	Contact details	Dates
ВСА	Tel: 01628 824444	Open events
Hall Place		Saturday 3 October 2020 - 10am to
Burchett's Green	Website:	2pm
Maidenhead	www.bca.ac.uk	Saturday 21 November 2020 - 10am
SL6 6QR		to 2pm
	Email Enquires:	Saturday 6 February 2021 – 10am to
	enquiries@bca.ac.uk	2pm,
		Wednesday 5 May 2021 – 5pm-
		7.30pm
		Keep an eye on and BOOK Taster
		days: https://www.bca.ac.uk/
BCoT (Basingstoke	Tel: 01256354141	Open events
College of Technology)		Tues 13 Oct 2020 – 4.00-8.00pm
Worting Road	Website:	Sat 14 Nov 2020 – 10.30-12.30pm
Basingstoke	www.bcot.ac.uk	Tues 27 Apr 2021 – 4.00-8.00pm
RG21 8TN		
	Email:	Apprenticeship and Recruitment Fairs
	<u>nextyear@bcot.ac.uk</u>	Please check via the college website
Bracknell & Wokingham	0800 612 6008 – central	Open events
College	telephone number for all	Sat 10 Oct 2020 – 9.30am-1.30pm
(Activate Learning)	Activate Learning Colleges	Wed 13 Nov 2020 – 4pm-8pm
Church Road		
Bracknell RG12 1DJ	Website:	Recorded Virtual Event:
(RG12 1EH for sat navs)	https://www.activatelearning.	https://www.activatelearning.ac.uk/v
(part of Activate Learning	ac.uk/bracknell-wokingham	oe/bracknell-and-wokingham-
Group of Colleges)	Website for all Activate	<u>college-virtual-open-event</u>
	Learning colleges:	
	www.activatelearning.ac.uk	
City of Oxford College	Tel: 01865 550550	Open events at both Oxford City
Oxford City Centre	www.activatelearning.ac.uk	Centre and Technology campuses
campus	Oxford City Centre campus:	Sat 17 Oct 2020 – 9.30am-1.30pm
Oxpens Rd	Courses in A-levels and	Wed 25 Nov 2020 – 4pm-8pm
Oxford	business, Hair and beauty,	
OX1 ISA	hospitality and catering,	Recorded Virtual Event:
	furniture, sports and more!)	https://www.activatelearning.ac.uk/v
Technology campus	Technology campus: Courses	oe/city-of-oxford-college-virtual-
Cuddesdon Way	in IT and computing,	open-event
Blackbird Leys	construction, engineering,	
Oxford	motor vehicle, plumbing,	
OX4 6HN	electrical)	

Farnborough College	https://www.farn-	Open events
Boundary Road	ct.ac.uk/school-leavers/	Tues 13 Oct 2020 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Farnborough Hants	A wide range of courses including A levels and BTEC	Wed14 Nov 2020 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm Wed 18 Nov 2020 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm
GU14 6SB	vocational courses	Wed 3 Mar 2021 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm
	Call: 01252 405555	
Aldershot Campus	Bricklaying, Carpentry,	Open events
Aldershot Construction	Electrical Installation or	Thu 15 Oct 2020 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm
College Unit 2, Holder Road	Plumbing,	Thu 19 Nov 2020 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm Thu 4 Mar 2021 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Aldershot	Call: 01252 407607	110 4 Mai 2021 4.00 pm - 7.00 pm
Hants		
GU12 4PQ		
Farnborough Sixth Form	Telephone: 01252 688200	Open events
College	A level and BTEC courses	14 th and 15 th October – more
The Sixth Form College		information to be published nearer the time.
Farnborough	Website:	See:
Prospect Avenue	https://farnborough.ac.uk/	https://farnborough.ac.uk/calendar
Farnborough		(click on Open days event – purple
Hampshire	Email:	link on calendar)
GU148JX	admin@farnborough.ac.uk	
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Henley College Deanfield Avenue	Tel: 01491 579988	Open events Please keep an eve on upcoming
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Queen Mary's College	Tel: 01256 417500	Open events
(QMC)		Please keep an eye on the college
Cliddesden Road	Website:	website via:
Basingstoke	www.qmc.ac.uk	https://www.qmc.ac.uk/events/autu
RG21 3HF		mn-2020/open-evening
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Reading College	Tel: 0800 612 6008	Open events
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	ac.uk/contact-us/enquiries	<u>event</u>
Sparsholt College	Tel: 01962 776441	Open events
Westley Lane		Please keep an eye on information
Sparsholt	Specialises in agriculture and	via:
Winchester	related courses.	https://www.sparsholt.ac.uk/openda
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	Website:	
	www.sparsholt.ac.uk	
	Email:	
	enquiry@sparsholt.ac.uk	
Strodes College	Telephone: 01784 437506	Open events
High Street	Telephone: 01704 437500	-
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Egham	Websites:	forest.ac.uk/opendays
TW20 9DR	http://www.strodes.ac.uk	
(now part of Windsor		
Forest Colleges Groups)	Courses: A Levels, Applied Levels	
	and BTECs	
UTC Reading	Telephone: 0118 938 1020	Open events
Crescent Road		Please keep an eye on the school
	Spacialization STEAA subjects A	website
Reading	Specialises in STEM subjects, A-	websile
RG1 5RQ	levels and BTECs in IT and	
	engineering	
	Website:	
	www.utcreading.co.uk	
	Email:	
	enquiries@utcreading.org.uk	
Windsor College	Telephone: 01753 793 000	Open events
St Leonards Road		Please keep an eye on the college
Windsor	Website:	website via:
SL4 3AL	https://www.windsor-	https://www.windsor-
(part of <u>Windsor Forest</u>	forest.ac.uk	forest.ac.uk/opendays
Colleges Group (formerly		
East Berks College)		
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Map of F.E. Colleges, Berkshire



To find out where F.E. Colleges are located, you can use google maps:-

https://www.google.com/maps/search/colleges+in+berkshire/ @51.5724603,-0.9709554,10z/data=!3m1!4b1



Section 5

Higher Education (University + some Further Education (F.E.) Colleges (levels 4-8):



Thinking about university? Useful websites:

www.ucas.com – The UK University application and information website

www.sacu-student.com – Personal Statement help and advice. Great student section

www.prospects.ac.uk – Graduate career prospects

http://russellgroup.ac.uk/for-students/school-and-college-in-theuk/subject-choices-at-school-and-college - help with A' level choice (also explore what the Russell Group university are)

www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk – useful information

www.thestudentroom.co.uk - Forums on choosing universities / degrees /
student life and much more!

https://www.theguardian.com/education/nginteractive/2019/jun/07/university-league-tables-2020 - ranks universities and university courses

*Some F.E. Colleges also offer degrees and HNC (Higher National Certificates) and HND (Higher National Diploma) courses

The Open University - <u>http://www.open.ac.uk/</u> - Offer flexible ways to study



Section 6

Apprenticeships:

If you would like to apply for an apprenticeship to begin after Year 11, it is also important to apply for F.E. College/s / Sixth Form also, as entry to Apprenticeships can be competitive. Check the qualification you will gain and how it will enable you to go further in your education and training.

Depending on your grades, you will be able to apply for a Level 2 (Intermediate) or Level 3 (Advanced) Apprenticeship after your GCSEs.

Here are the different levels of Apprenticeship:-

- Intermediate Apprenticeship A range of GCSE grades required for entry
- Advanced Apprenticeship 4+ GCSE's at 4-9 grades required for entry
- Higher Apprenticeship 2+ 'A' levels required for entry
- Degree Apprenticeship 2+ 'A' levels required for entry
- ** Some apprenticeships may require you to have studied certain subjects**

Helpful websites:

There is not currently one, go to website for Apprenticeships, so include a wide range of websites and assistance in your search

www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk - the government website – probably includes widest number of apprenticeships available. Includes email alerts for new opportunities.

www.notgoingtouni.co.uk

www.thestudentladder.co.uk - excellent apprenticeship website offering placements with large high profile companies as well as advice. www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk

www.allaboutcareers.com

www.thebigchoice.com/School College Leavers

www.gov.uk – Higher and Degree Apprenticeships

www.university.which.co.uk – Higher and Degree Apprenticeship Guide www.careermap.co.uk

www.adviza.org.uk - young peoples' section

www.ucas.com – apprenticeship section

www.thescholarshiphub.org.uk – Degree Apprenticeships

http://www.aimapprenticeships.co.uk/

https://amazingapprenticeships.com/

www.young-professionals.uk

www.indeed.co.uk

Look at the websites of companies. They carry a huge amount of information on recruitment and opportunities

https://amazingapprenticeships.com/resources/



Section 7: GRADES

Academic Grades: GCSEs and BTEC Level 2 equivalent

<u>GCSE's</u>

	New grading structure	Old grading structure
	9	Δ*
	8	~
	7	Α
	6	В
Strong pass \longrightarrow	5	
Standard pass \longrightarrow	4	с
	3	D
		E
	2	F
	1	G
	U	U

BTEC Level 2 and GCSE grade equivalent

GCSE Grade	BTEC grade	Current points	New points	
A*	Distinction*	58	8	
А	Distinction	52	7	
В	Merit	46	6	
С	Pass	40	5	
D		34	4	
E		28	3	
	L1 Pass	25	2.5	
F		22	2	
G		16	1	
U		0	0	

<u>Academic Grades: 'A' Levels, BTEC Level 3 and UCAS Tariff Points</u>Link for further information and copy of table on following page: <u>https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/support/support-topics/understanding-our-gualifications/comparing-btec-to-other-qualifications/btec-ucas-points.html</u>

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Extended Diploma	Diploma	Foundation Diploma	Extended Certificate	Certificate	AS level	A level	UCAS tariff points
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D*D*D							160
D*DD							152
DDD							144
DDM							128
DMM	D*D*						112
	D*D						104
MMM	DD						96
		D*					84
MMP	DM						80
							78
		D					72
MPP	MM						64
			D*			A*	56
РРР	MP	Μ	D			А	48
						В	40
	PP		М			С	32
				D*			28
		Ρ		D		D	24
					А		20
			Р	М	В	E	16
					С		12
					D		10
				Р			8
					E		6

UK Degree Classification

With the second system which grades degrees (bachelor's degrees and integrated master's degrees) in the UK.					
Classification	Mark	OU Mark	Equivalent grade		
First-class (1st)	70%+	85%+	А		
Upper second-class (2.1)	60-69%	70-85%	B		
Lower second-class (2.2)	50-59%	55-70%	С		
Third class (3rd)	40-49%	40-55%	D		

***OU = Open University**

Section 8 *Top Tips*

Use a notebook or create a file – name it 'Careers Ideas' or something similar. Record your ideas and research as you go along. Invest time in YOU...You will not regret it!

- > **Complete** Personality and Careers Quizzes
- **Explore** Job Profiles on Career websites
- Keep an ongoing list of your abilities / skills with examples
- Research your options after Year 11 what steps will you need to take to reach your career goals?
- Attend your Careers meeting ②. It will be 30 minutes long. Be as prepared as you can – complete quizzes, etc. If you like, bring your research and ideas notebook or file
- Visit your Sixth Form, other Sixth Forms and F.E.
 Colleges (check Open Day / Evening dates and times add them to your calendar (*book a place if necessary)
- > **Explore** Apprenticeships:

If you would like to do an Apprenticeship after Year 11 – register with the government website: <u>www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk</u>

Apply for Apprenticeships via a variety of websites. Also apply for F.E. College as back-up

Remember – you can apply to as many Sixth Forms and/or F.E. College Courses as you like – you just need to confirm or decline places once you get your GCSE results in August 2021. Some courses are very popular – apply soon.

Always remember...

*Believing in yourself is the first step to success st



"HARD WORK BEATS TALENT WHEN TALENT DOESN'T WORK HARD"

The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today.

H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

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Run Your Own Race...

(your journey is unique to you, no need to compare it to others people's journeys $\overset{\odot}{\odot}$)

