

The Road to a Job

The journey to landing a job is longer than you may realise

1. Figure out what motivates you
2. Find an industry you like
3. Research and keep up to date
4. Job search
5. Research the company you're applying for
6. Tailor your CV and cover letter
7. Aptitude tests
8. Video Interview
9. Interview one
10. Interview two
11. Job offer!



To find the industry you like ask yourself these questions...

What motivates you?

Think about the things that motivate you. This could be making money, making a difference, helping people, helping animals, travelling the world or even saving the environment.

What do you enjoy?

Consider what you do in your spare time. What are your hobbies and interests?

What industry comes from the things that motivate you or that you enjoy?

Enjoying languages
Saving the environment
Reading and travel
Enjoy puzzles
Helping others



Political Translator
Conservationist
Journalism
Analyst - risk, data, crime
Medicine or Carer

How to keep up to date with the industry or field you're interested in

There are lots of ways in which you can stay informed about what is going on in the industry you're interested in:

- Follow leaders in the industry on Twitter and Instagram
- Read autobiographies and articles by people who work in the field
- Read the news and books related to the field
- Listen to podcasts
- Watch documentaries

What are aptitude tests and how can I prepare for them?

For most jobs you may need to take a test which is designed to determine a person's skills. This could be anything from problem solving to how you would deal with real-life scenarios to spelling.

The format of the tests can vary depending on the company or role you are applying for.

What can you do to help?

- Do practice tests online
- Download a variety of apps on your phone such as spelling apps, puzzle solving apps, memory testing apps

The interview stage

For many jobs you may have more than one interview and more than one type of interview.

Video Interview

- May be a series of questions on a screen you have to record yourself answering
- May be a skype call with your potential employer

First interview

- Employer wants to know the basics about you
- Employer wants to know about the things in your CV or cover letter in more depth

Second interview

- Employer will be wanting to see how you would fit into the team and business culture
- You really need to show off
- You need to see if you like the company too!