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## How To Choose The Best Career?

Most of the people on the word are considering what the best way to choose their career path. It is natural that everybody wants to have the dream job that is why they are so confused with planning their future education. Young people often have a problem with making the educational choices. How to handle with this problem? The best way is to find an activity, that you are good at and makes you happy, combine it and start earning the money. The point is that is not that obvious to find it that quickly. What should you consider to do? You need to discover your strengths. Sound simply, doesn't it? There are four basic sentences on which you need to rely to do it.

### 1. Defining talent

In this article we will be using the definition of the word *talent* as the combination of three things: gifts, love and skills.

Your gifts are the things that you were born with – things, that you have naturally from the beginning of your life. It is normal, that some people are better in some specific areas that the other ones.

Love is the word of describing your passion about doing something. Some persons can have great gifts, but they don't really enjoying using them – like you can be very good at math, but actually you don't like calculations.

And finally – skills. Skills represent the knowledge and come from education, job training or mentorship. After addition of gift, love and skills we have the result – the talent

### 2. Identifying gifts

To discover your talents, first you need to understand your gifts. Your gifts are a part of a personality, they come naturally to you and they have always been in your life. Sometimes your gifts are discovered very early in your life, or much later as a welcome surprise. So how to identify the gifts you have?

I can advise you to create a simple worksheet that you can use to ask yourself a series of questions. Then you can ask other people to give you some impression about what your gifts are. The first question should be something about your ability, like: *what comes easily to you?* Next question should be connected with your childhood – when you were like under the age of 10, what came easy to you then? Next consider, if there are any areas where you have received awards, public praise, won contest? Try to find the areas where others have said to you – *I wish I could do that as well as you?* After finishing it, you can give the worksheet to the other people and ask them to fill it with their suggestion about you. Finally, try to review the answers, find similar responses. This task can actually help you to find the answer. You have to consider, that if answer appear only once, it can mean, that is not actually your true gift. This understanding will help you along the path toward discovering your talents and increasing your ability.

### 3. Discovering love

There is an old saying : *Do what you love and the money will follow*. Of course it is really important to have a job that you actually like. You exactly know what are you kind of a hobbies –maybe sewing makes you relaxed? Maybe you love playing basketball or you spend most of your free time on drawing? It can be a good clue to consider going to the sewing classes, attending the sport school or art faculty. Identify your loves and try to think about their exact influence on your future career. You should also remember that if people choose their educational path only with a thought of a big money, they can finally end up being frustrated in their life or simply stop their actual education path and start doing something else, something that they really like. Isn't it better to start with it on the beginning instead of waste your time?

### 4. Recognizing skills

After discovering your natural gifts and realising what you love to do, it's time to consider your skills. Skills are the knowledge, which you've got on the university, at school or on some courses – your acquired knowledge. The people around us also provide skills training for us – your family members, friends and mentors. Imagine the situation that the mother and the daughter used to bake a pie every Saturday morning, and after years the daughter decided to open her own confectionery. Try to write down all the skills that you might learn in your life. Have you learned two foreign languages? Maybe it would be a good decision to apply to the language faculty? Remember, that we are educated throughout our lives to improve our skills.

To sum up, this article can help you make good educational choices. Try to find your best attitude, connect them with the knowledge that you've gained and consider if it makes you a pleasure or rather it is a nightmare. After graduation you will work in the profession you've chosen for many years, that's why it is worth it to put some effort to recognize your actual talent, choose the right path of education and start developing your skills. Remember, if you do what you love, you'll never work a day in your life.

## **EURES – An Enlightenment For Your Future Success**

Unfortunately for all of us, in present times youth unemployment is a vast problem throughout the whole world. Recent statistics show an unemployment rate of 19 % in the EU for 42016 with peaks of more than 40% in several countries. It's not only a struggle to find a job, but also it's a struggle to find the right tools for searching for one.

The EURES is an acronym for European Employment Services. The program is designed for people, who are seeking new job opportunities. Its purpose is to provide information, advice and recruitment and help the free movement of people. It operates in all 28 EU countries, plus the EEA countries (Lichtenstein, Norway, Switzerland & Iceland). It connects their employment services, building an international connection between all European employers and job seekers.

All you need to do is enter the website, create an account & upload your CV. If you don't have one yet or you're still tentative about it, you can check out our article *The mystery of the CV* and you can also receive help on the website. Another useful feature online is the Skills Passport. It lets you select all your competences and abilities, so it's even easier to find the right job opportunity. You can also contact one of the thousands of EURES advisors to help you with the whole process.

Once you're done, you'll have access to over one million job offers updated daily and over 7, 000 employers throughout Europe. It was created in 2000 and since then has helped decreasing the youth unemployment rate with over 5%. So, folks, don't hesitate more. Log in at <https://ec.europa.eu/eures/public/homepage> and discover your dreams!

## CV – The Mystery Revealed

The CV is a mirror of yourself. It is a way to communicate with your probable future employer and it represents you in the business world. It is strongly personal, that's why my first advice for you is to instantly forget about Europass and other standardized formats. Another false belief is that once you're ready with your CV, it can work out for all the positions you're applying for. *Wrong!* Different jobs and companies require focus on different things from your biography, so every time you apply for a job, you should shape your CV accordingly. For example if you're applying for an engineer, it is quite irrelevant to include those 5 months you spent in a tour agency last fall. However, there are some basic rules to have in mind when preparing your representation.

- Length 1 or 2 pages  
Did you know most companies, esp. HR ones use an automatic selection program that only goes through the 1<sup>st</sup> page of your biography? So if the system doesn't find the most important key points there, you automatically won't get selected for the position you're going after.
- Personal information  
Keep it short with the personal information. Your birth place, relationship status and street address is almost always irrelevant for the company. On the contrary, it can only work in your disadvantage, so just make sure you include contact information, so you can be found easily if selected.
- Photo – to be or not to be?  
A photo is rarely required by companies, so if decide to put one anyways, make sure it's sophisticated and professional, which automatically excludes all the pictures from your summer vacation.
- Strong words  
When presenting yourself, keep in mind that the company is searching for a certain type of person, possessing certain skills and abilities. Make sure you are familiar with the job description and extrapolate all the key words from it to directly list them as description of yourself, if applicable, of course. Such can be ***motivated, organized, volunteer, achievement, improved, creativity, negotiation, persuasive***, etc.
- Use of symbols  
A lot can be said with just a simple image, e.g. if you want to show competence in social media or usage of certain programs, just include the appropriate icons, rather than listing them with words. That will also save you space and attract attention to the important details. You can do the same with your personal skills and competences.

### Design

Sometimes the use of a designer work on your CV is more than appropriate, esp. if you apply for a position that requires creative skills. However, if you're applying for an accounting position, it will probably be best if you keep to the standard format. It all depends on the position and the company you're applying for.

## Finding job based on your skills and competences

We provide one of the most important decisions for the future career choice at a young age will be a nightmare for some people while for some people the answer has been given long ago as a question that emerges. We're going to do in the future with high probability we will study in the university, which allows to identify the partition that we ponder on this answer and we need to make a clear decision. In this article, people who do not have an answer yet for the selection of a true profession of what should be done and we will talk about the importance of the choice of a true profession.

Get to know yourself before you can make a good career choice. What is your interest, your ability. Issues like what you removed, you cannot write on a blank piece of paper in front of you. At the same time if you have it in mind you believe you can do professions, make them a little note on this paper again. We don't need to be completely objective in writing this paper to tell I guess.

Unfortunately, nowadays young people have parents who washes the brains of hearsay, circles close to a considerable amount of more. Perhaps without realizing it these people are doing the majority of your life, even the greatest evil you and college you can work at a job you dislike. So the people around you, "look, my friend's son is taking that much money are doing the same thing" with sentences like do not allow to wash your brains. But do not disregard entirely. You've heard from the situation I mentioned here only a few people do not make career choice. You hear every part to the smallest detail during your research you will easily understand that you didn't already draw you in and research.

A good profession to connect with the people that did the survey on the basis of lies. Also see the working environment of the employees of the section you are researching, to know the direction of their education and experiences in college to analyse the information you recorded in is quite important. In the light of this information in mind you can decide on a profession and that profession may have complete information about.

A large majority of the profession we have chosen and that we don't like we do during our life with the possibility of the chances of being successful in business it's the same with the likelihood of money steep. So you make money should be the final criterion to consider when deciding the profession. Also, no matter what profession as long as you love, happy, and mercenary.

Your personality type and corresponding preferences can make it easier to work in some occupations, and harder to work in others. As a result, people with certain personality traits find themselves in certain types of occupations and workplaces more often than in others.

In turn, certain occupations and workplaces may attract certain characteristics – an employer's job requirements or workplace culture often necessitate specific personality traits. These traits can be characteristic of particular personality types.

When choosing a job or career, besides thinking about what skills you have, you should also consider:

your areas of interest—what do you do in your spare time?

your goals for the future—where do you want to be in 10 years?

what's important to you—more time with family or a higher salary?

This will probably form the majority of your life and your career life. Get to know yourself thoroughly, choose professions that you think is appropriate, and searching. After that, it is inevitable that you find that profession already in mind. Hopefully you can choose a profession that you can be happy for a lifetime.

## Tips for working abroad

GAME: <https://goo.gl/T27mXu>

RESULTS: <https://goo.gl/1C8ssa>



**Game Answers:**

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