

ADULT 101: CAREER PLANNING

Workplace Readiness



Goals

Today we'll talk about:

- Writing a resumé
- Starting the job search
- Nailing the interview
- Planning for the future



Help! I Need a Resumé



Upgrade Your Education Section

Show your strengths and work ethics.

Include:

- GPA (if above 3.0)
- Clubs you participated in
- Athletics
- Academic Awards/Honors
- Relevant coursework
- Publications





Expand Your Experience

“Work” experience does NOT only come from work! Is this your first resumé? Focus on the following:

- **Extracurricular activities like high school clubs or athletics**
- **Any volunteer experience.**
- **Informal work.**





Polish Up Your Skills

This is your chance to highlight any skills relevant to the job posting.

- **Good with tech?** List your computer skills with the specific programs you can use.
- **Special skills.** Are you bilingual? Know sign language? CPR certified? These are desirable skills for employers.





Details, Details, Details

Help yourself look professional by keeping these tips in mind:

- **Contact information**
 - Email: CuTie45594@aol.com vs. johnsmith@yahoo.com
 - Reachable phone number
- **Social Media**
- **Proofread!**



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Let the Job Hunt Begin!





Apply Yourself

Consider each job separately. This will help you stay organized and tailor your resumé to each employer's hiring needs.

- Online searching
- Regular/Seasonal help at local shops
- Store job information in a folder





Job Sites for Teens

- [SnagAJob](#): Thousands of part-time and hourly jobs across the country for teens and high school students.
- [Groove Job](#): Search for part-time jobs, student jobs, and teen jobs.
- [CoolWorks](#): Jobs, careers, and volunteering in the outdoors.
- [Hispanic-Jobs.com](#): Bilingual jobs for English/Spanish-speaking job seekers. Login required.
- [EDD.gov Services for youth](#): Information on numerous training programs, work experience, leadership development and occupational skills building available to youth 14-21.





Professional References

Some employers will request references. Here are some helpful hints:

- ALWAYS ASK
- Refer to an adult
- Let them know each time you give out their contact
- Thank your references
- If you aren't 100% positive the person will say positive comments about you, do not list them as a reference.



Nailing the Interview





Interview Tips

Yay! You were called in for an interview. Give yourself the best chance for success with these do's and don'ts:

- Be on time.
- Dress neatly.
- Don't wear strong scents.
- Bring a positive attitude.

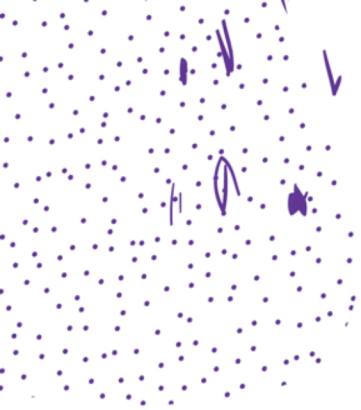


What Not to Wear on an Interview



What To Wear To An Interview?





Practice Makes Perfect!

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Looking Forward





Starting to Think About the Future

A first job is a chance to earn some money, gain some experience, and learn about your skills and interests.

Career planning is a cycle:

- Knowing yourself
- Exploring possibilities
- Making a choice
- Making it happen





Where Do You Go From Here?

Take a career assessment to identify some of possible career interests.



