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Careers Education, Information and Guidance is something that should be available for all pupils in secondary school. It is the process of helping pupils make educational and career choices with an understanding of how to achieve their end goal. Finding the correct career path can be difficult and takes time and patience.



Why is Careers Education important?

Receiving career advice and guidance is important because we live in a fast changing world of work, especially since the Pandemic. It helps pupils to evaluate their own strengths and career aspirations. It also provides pupils with the skills, knowledge, and encouragement they need to get the most out of their desired career path. Pupils display higher levels of engagement and motivation when they have a clear understanding of what they want to do.

How has the world of work changed since the Pandemic?

The world of work has changed massively over the years, especially since the Pandemic. Some of the changes include;

- 1. Working from home
- 2. Hybrid working (time divided between office and home)
- 3. Development of online learning
- 4. Development of online teaching
- 5. Shared office space
- 6. Online interviews
- 7. Job flexibility

What is a soft skill?

Soft skills are character traits and interpersonal skills that characterise relationships with other people and complement hard skills in the workplace.

What is a hard skill?

Hard skills are specific abilities, capabilities and skill sets that an individual can possess and demonstrate in a measured way. Hard skills are learnable skills that enable individuals to perform job-specific tasks, or that may be required for a specific job.

<u>Tasks</u>

- 1. What does CEIAG stand for?
- 2. Give three reasons why career education is important.
- 3. How has the world of work changed since the pandemic?
- 4. Explain the difference between a hard skill and a soft skill.
- 5. What hard skill would you need to be a computer programmer?
- 6. What hard skill would you need to be a chef? Explain your answer.
- 7. What soft skills would you need to be a nurse? Explain your answer.
- 8. What soft skills would you need to be a teacher? Explain your answer.