

# WORK EXPERIENCE



## WHY IS WORK EXPERIENCE IMPORTANT?

- Helps you try out a particular career you may wish to pursue when you leave school.
- Develops crucial employability skills.
- Provides examples for interviews, CV's, application forms and personal statements.
- Leads to references, part time/full time jobs and apprenticeships.
- Makes you stand out from the crowd.



#### WHO COULD **YOU WORK WITH?**







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Sainsbury's



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#### Local types of businesses:

#### Solicitors

Multiple local law firms in your area could allow you the opportunity to experience such a career first hand.

#### Engineering

If you are seeking a potential career in engineering. There could be plenty of local engineering companies near you.

#### Education

Your own school can also take you on

for experience if you have an interest in the educational system.

#### Restaurant/Café

Work experience in a café or restaurant can offer great experience if you have interest in the service sector.

Local types of businesses:

#### Art & Design

There are many creative studios that would love to have young talent on board for work experience.

#### Accountancy Firms

Some accountancy firms in your local area may allow you to obtain valuable experience in a growing industry.

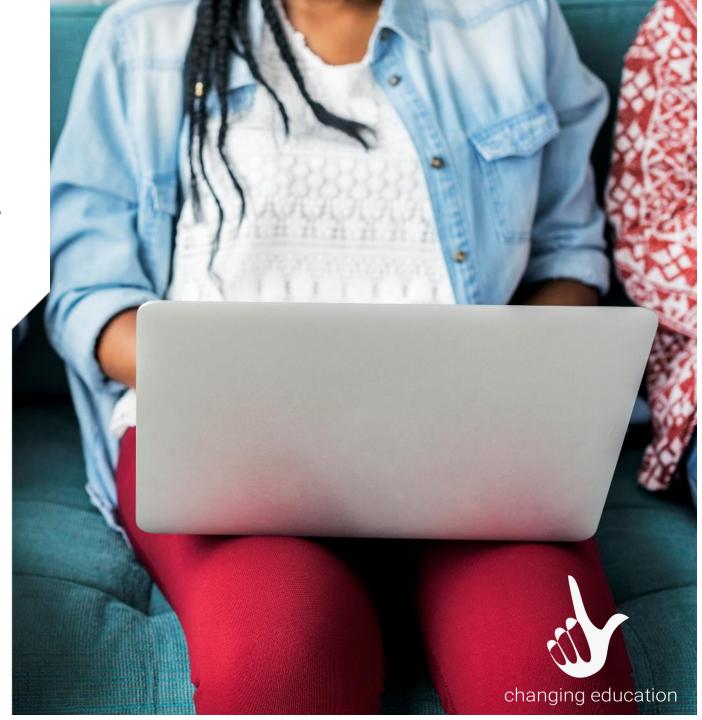
#### Hair & Beauty

Even local hair salons are interested In taking on people for work experience. Which could even lead to a job afterwards.



# TIPS FOR FINDING A WORK PLACEMENT

- Research using the internet, look in the local paper for employers based nearby who might give you a placement
- Emailing, telephoning and visiting employers in person to make an enquiry. Research the company and find the name of the key person to ask for.
- Word of mouth (friends, parents, family members etc) and enquire if they can help out or support.
   Everyone knows someone!



## TIPS FOR FINDING A WORK PLACEMENT CONT..

Active networking in person and online –
using social media sites including twitter,
facebook and LinkedIn to follow
companies and post about looking for
work experience

 Talk to your School Teachers and ask them if they can think of anyone they might know

 Register on volunteer, apprenticeship and job websites to search for companies and contact details



### KEY DATES TO REMEMBER!

Deadline for self placements: 9<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Work experience week Year 10 29<sup>th</sup> June – 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2020

Work experience week Year 12 6<sup>th</sup> July - 10<sup>th</sup> July 2020

