

Tutor's Guide

Activity 3. Career Quiz

Aims

This activity encourages students to think in more detail about the types of career that may appeal to them. Activity 1 focuses on initial thoughts and plans and how to get started. Activity 3 helps to expand these initial ideas.

Activity

The quiz focuses on more detailed career questions, for example, would they like to remain within their subject discipline, does the thought of further study appeal? Students should individually work their way through the quiz and at the end of the quiz they are required to list some of the skills that they think employers associate with physical sciences students, for example, problem solving, data analysis, team working etc. The students should then be given the appropriate feedback and activities sheet, depending on which letter was selected most frequently in the quiz. The sheet provides a few helpful ideas/suggestions and then requires an activity to be completed in the form of a short report. The content of the activities vary slightly depending on which letter was chosen the most often. For those who mostly choose 'C' there are more detailed science and generic career options suggested, as these students appear to have the least idea about which options are available. The activities specific to each of the letters require finding information about further study, a graduate vacancy or planning their 'ideal job'. All of the activities require two, separate half page reports to be written. These can be collated to produce a class brochure of suitable graduate employers.

Assessment

Each of the short reports may be assessed. Alternatively, students could be asked to prepare a brief presentation on each area.

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