



## Link to Careers

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Here is a summary of useful links with no cost for schools and colleges to use in their careers provision. We will add to this list as we learn about others and welcome recommendations from members which should be sent to [brian@lightmanconsulting.co.uk](mailto:brian@lightmanconsulting.co.uk)

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**The Careers and Enterprise Company (CEC)** has produced a wide range of resources which are being added to very regularly.

<https://www.careersandenterprise.co.uk/schools-and-colleges>

Here are some links which relate to each of the Gatsby Benchmarks:

**The Gatsby benchmarks:** <http://www.gatsby.org.uk/education/focus-areas/good-career-guidance>

### **General guidance/resources:**

This is the **CEC guide** which was sent to all schools:

<https://www.careersandenterprise.co.uk/schools-colleges/gatsby-benchmarks>

The website contains some very useful tools (COMPASS and TRACKER) to assess the extent to which the school meets these benchmarks. A college version is also being finalised.

**The Gatsby Foundation** has created the following microsite:

<http://www.goodcareerguidance.org.uk>

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### **Individual benchmarks:**

#### **1. A stable careers programme**

<https://www.careersandenterprise.co.uk/school-activities>

<https://www.startprofile.com/about-start/>

#### **2. Learning from career and labour market information**

<http://www.outstandingcareers.co.uk/labour-market-information/>

<https://www.lmiforall.org.uk/widget/>





This can be embedded in school websites but can also be used via the following link:  
<https://ideas4careers.co.uk/careerometer/>

Students can type in a job and find out about qualification requirements, average pay etc.

**Careermap** is a comprehensive web-based source of information about wide range of careers and access to the **Careermag publication**: <https://careermap.co.uk>

PiXL members can sign up for an exclusive free subscription to the Careermag Magazine and a number of other services such as live broadcasts.

**Success at school**: a web resource which contains a large amount of information about different careers <https://successatschool.org>

### 3. Addressing the needs of each pupil

Buzz quiz <https://icould.com/buzz-embed/> A Myers Briggs type resource designed for young people to find out about their personal preferences and attributes.

### 4. Linking curriculum learning to careers

<https://www.careersandenterprise.co.uk/school-activities>

### 5. Encounters with employers and employees

There are many different organisations offering these kinds of links at cost and other free ones. This **tool from CEC** helps schools to find activities in their area. At present, its coverage is incomplete but work is underway to address this.

<https://www.careersandenterprise.co.uk/find-activity-provider>

### The following activities are genuinely free

The **Education Employers Charity** has a vast database of volunteers who can speak about their jobs or take part in speed dating events, mock interviews etc.

<https://www.inspiringthefuture.org>

<https://inspiringwomenscampaign.org>

**Informative video** about Inspiring the Future

<https://www.inspiringthefuture.org/how-inspiring-the-future-works/>





**Speakers for Schools** offers a similar service bringing people at CEO level into schools  
<https://www.speakers4schools.org>

The **icould website** contains a large library of videos of people talking about their work.  
[www.icould.com](http://www.icould.com)

## 6. Experiences of workplaces

<https://www.careersandenterprise.co.uk/find-activity-provider>

These kinds of introductions should be provided by the Enterprise coordinators and advisers. Schools can sign up to be allocated such an adviser via the CEC website:  
<https://www.careersandenterprise.co.uk/enterprise-adviser-network/sign-your-school>

**Speaker for Schools:** [www.speakers4schools.org](http://www.speakers4schools.org) run a national programme of work experience and insight days at top companies.

**Youth Employment:** <https://www.youthemployment.org.uk> operate a Youth Friendly employer scheme which will guarantee interviews for young people. Their website also contains a large amount of relevant information

## 7. Encounters with further and higher education

(Contacts to be approached directly by schools)

## 8. Personal guidance

This is the government funded website about apprenticeships:  
<https://amazingapprenticeships.com> with sources of support for schools

**The Apprenticeship Support and Knowledge Scheme (ASK)** is a funded programme which schools can access at no cost. This is a link to the brochure:  
<https://resources.amazingapprenticeships.com/app/uploads/AA-Yr3-ASK-BROCHURE-OCT17-1.pdf>

This is the successor website to Plotr: <https://www.startprofile.com>

GrantFairy is a mobile app which matches students with grants and scholarships, tailored to their personal circumstances, to help pay their tuition fees and reduce their student loans.  
<https://www.grantfairy.com/uk-scholarship-app/>

This is a website about alternatives to university:  
<https://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk>





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## **Other free resources**

### **Evaluation**

<http://www.qualityincareers.org.uk>

This is the quality mark.

### **Display materials**

<https://www.pinterest.co.uk/careersdefender/careers-display-materials/>

### **Other useful websites**

<https://www.pinterest.com/careersdefender/useful-websites-for-careers-advisors-and-teachers/>

**National Careers Week** is a 'bottom up initiative which provides some extremely useful resources including a student profile document which is free to download.

<http://nationalcareersweek.com>

### **National Apprenticeship Week**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/national-apprenticeship-week-2019-date-announced>

School might also be interested to look at the forgotten: **2010 DFE framework!**

[http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20111122050641/https://www.education.gov.uk/publications/eOrderingDownload/Careers-ed-framework\\_7-19.pdf](http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20111122050641/https://www.education.gov.uk/publications/eOrderingDownload/Careers-ed-framework_7-19.pdf)

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## **Information from National Apprenticeships service**

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/714330/Apps\\_A5\\_Learner\\_Support.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/714330/Apps_A5_Learner_Support.pdf)

Which University Complete Guide to Higher and Degree Apprenticeships

<https://university.which.co.uk/teachers/introduce-higher-education-options/higher-and-degree-apprenticeships-guide-download>

Achieving the benefits of apprenticeships - a guide for employers

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/740254/Employer\\_guide\\_to\\_apprenticeships.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/740254/Employer_guide_to_apprenticeships.pdf)





**Resources from National Apprenticeships service include**

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/apprenticeships-resources-for-teachers-and-advisers>

- ASK about apprenticeships
- The essential guide to apprenticeship support.
- Parents' guide to apprenticeships
- Vacancy snapshot
- A-Z of apprenticeships
- A guide to higher and degree apprenticeships
- A guide to apprenticeships
- The Young apprentice

