1 The Framework

1.1 Learning areas

The six learning areas for lifelong career development are:

Grow throughout life

Grow throughout life by learning and reflecting on yourself, your background, and your strengths.



Explore possibilities

Explore the full range of possibilities open to you and learn about recruitment processes and the culture of different workplaces.



Manage career

Manage your career actively, make the most of opportunities and learn from setbacks.



Create opportunities

Create opportunities by being proactive and building positive relationships with others.



Balance life and work

Balance your life as a worker and/or entrepreneur with your wellbeing, other interests and your involvement with your family and community.



See the big picture

See the big picture by paying attention to how the economy, politics and society connect with your own life and career.



Grow Through Life

Grow throughout life by learning and reflecting on yourself, your background and your strengths

Early Years	Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2	Key Stage 3	Key Stage 4	Key Stage 5
Being aware of people	Being confident to	Being able to explain how	Being aware of the	Responding positively to	Actively seeking out help,
who can help them	request help	they acted on help.	sources of help and	help, support and	support and feedback
Being aware how they	Recognising their	Recognising what they	support available and	feedback	Taking responsibility for
feel when they have	successes in learning	want to learn next and	responding positively to	Positively engaging in	their learning and aiming
learnt something new	Being willing to challenge	when they are successful	feedback	learning and taking action	high
Being willing to try	themselves	Being willing to take on	Being aware that	to achieve good	Seeking out challenges
something new	Exploring what they have	challenges that help them	learning, skills and	outcomes	and opportunities for
Recalling what they have	experienced and achieved	to grow.	qualifications are	Recognising the value of	development
experienced and achieved	Feeling positive about	Recording and	important for career	challenging themselves	Reflecting on and
Feeling positive about	people whose identities	commenting on what	Being willing to challenge	and trying new things	recording achievements,
who they are	and backgrounds are	they have experienced	themselves and try new	Reflecting on and	experiences and learning
	different to theirs	and achieved.	things	recording achievements,	and communicating them
		Relating to people whose	Recording achievements	experiences and learning	to others.
		identities and	Being aware of heritage,	Considering what learning	Planning their next steps
		backgrounds are different	identity and values	pathway they should	in learning and work
		to theirs.		pursue next	Discussing and reflecting
				Reflecting on their	on the impact of heritage,
				heritage, identity and	identity and values.
				values	

Explore possibilities

Explore the full range of possibilities open to you and learn about recruitment processes and the culture of different workplaces

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Describing tasks that they	Being aware that jobs are	Being able to explain	Being aware of the range	Considering what jobs	Developing a clear
have carried out	made up of tasks	what tasks they would	of possible jobs	and roles are interesting	direction of travel in their
Discovering the jobs that	Exploring what people do	like and like least about	Identifying common	Researching the labour	career and actively
help the school to run	whose jobs involve caring	particular jobs	sources of information	market and the education	pursuing this
Recognising jobs that	for children and keeping	Finding out about the	about the labour market	system	Actively seeking our
involve harvesting,	them safe	qualiti4es and skills	education system	Recognising the main	information on the labour
making and providing a	Being able to give	learning to do a caring job	Being aware of the main	learning pathways and	market and education
service or finding out	examples of jobs in		pathways (e.g. university,	considering which one	system to support their
	different sectors			they want to follow and	career

Being able to identify jobs	Being able to explain their	Being able to design a	college and	how they will access and	Having a clear
that they think are similar	views about similarities	scheme for classifying a	apprenticeships)	succeed on it.	understanding of the
Identifying what the	and differences between	set of jobs	Being aware that many	Researching the learning	learning pathways and
clothes and equipment	jobs	Being able to explain	jobs require learning,	and qualification	qualifications that they
that people use in their	Investigating similarities	what interests them	skills and minimum	requirements for the jobs	will need to pursue their
jobs are for	and differences between	about particular jobs	qualifications	and careers that they are	career
Being able to identify the	men's and women's work	Exploring the connection	Being aware of the range	interested in	Actively researching and
subjects and topics they	clothes	between uniforms and	of different sectors' and	Researching the range of	reflecting on workplaces,
are learning about	Being able to explain	status	organisations where they	workplaces and what it is	workplace culture and
	what they are gaining	Recognising that the	can work	like to work there.	expectations
	from the subjects and	subjects and topics that	Being aware of the range	Researching how	Analysing and preparing
	topics they are learning	they take further can lead	of ways that	recruitment and selection	for recruitment and
	about.	to qualifications and	organisations undertake	processes work and what	selection processes
		making progress in their	recruitment and selection	they need to do to	
		careers.		succeed in them.	

Manage career

Manage your career actively, make the most of opportunities and learn from setbacks

Early Years	Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2	Key Stage 3	Key Stage 4	Key Stage 5
Being aware that they	Recognising that they and	Being aware that choice	Being aware that career	Recognising the different	Being able to describe the
and other people like to	other people like to	and opportunity make	describes their journey	ways in which people talk	concept of career and say
enjoy the work they do	choose the work they do	careers possible	through life, learning and	about career and	what it means to them
Enjoying work based role	Looking forward to what	Recognising their	work	reflecting on its meaning	Building their confidence
plays	they are going to learn	achievement when they	Looking forward to the	to them	and optimism about their
Imagining different	next	have learnt something	future	Building their confidence	future and acting on it
possibilities about who	Describing a goal or	new even if they found it	Imagining a range of	and optimism about their	Actively planning,
they could possibly	garget that they are	difficult initially	possibilities for	future	prioritising and setting
become	working towards	Making a step by step	themselves in their career	Making plans and	targets for their future
Being willing to keep	Being proactive about	plan to enable them to	Being aware that	developing a pathway	Considering the risks and
going and not give up	trying different	achieve something they	different jobs and careers	into their future	rewards of different
Exploring whether	approaches to solving	would like to be able to	bring different challenges	Considering the risks and	pathways and career and
characters in stories	challenges	do	and rewards	rewards associated with	deciding between them
made decisions in a good	Recognising that	Being aware that having	Managing the transition	different pathways and	Managing the transition
way	decisions can have	back up plans can help	into seniors and	careers	into the post 16 learning
	unexpected	overcome their	preparing for	Taking steps to achieve in	context and planning for
	consequences	disappointment or bring a	accreditation	their accreditation and	post-16 transitions
		different reward if their			

	main plan does not work out Being able to weigh up the pros and cons of a choice they are thinking of making.	Learning from setbacks and challenges	make a decision about their post-16 pathway Thinking about how they deal with and learn from challenges and setbacks	Being proactive about being resilient and learning from setbacks		
Create opportunities						

Create opportunities by being proactive and building positive relationships with others

Early Years	Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2	Key Stage 3	Key Stage 4	Key Stage 5
Inventing imaginary jobs	Identifying new jobs that	Identifying possible new	Developing friendships	Developing friendships	Building and maintaining
Being aware that other	are just coming into being	jobs that might be	and relationships with	and relationships and	relationships and
people can help them	Being able to describe	needed in the future	others	reflecting on their	networks within and
meet their needs	what their needs are	Responding to trusted	Being aware that it is	relationship to their	beyond the school
Recognising when they	Choosing what they want	adults who can help them	important to take	career	Being proactive about
have achieved something	to achieve and the way	identify can help them	initiative in their learning	Starting to take	their life, learning and
for themselves	they go about it	identify their needs	and life	responsibility for making	career
Developing the ability to	Being aware of how to	Reflecting on what they	Being aware that building	things happen in their	Being creative and agile
participate in social play	communicate with co-	achieved and what they	a career will require them	career	as they develop their
involving imagined	workers and customers in	would do differently if	to be imaginative and	Being able to reflect on	career pathway
workplaces	work settings	better next time	flexible	and change their career	Representing themselves
Being able to carry out a	Being able to make a	Exploring how people	Developing the ability to	ideas and the strategies	and others
delegated task	positive contribution in	relate to each other in	communicate their needs	that they are pursuing to	Acting as a leader, role
Being able to explain	group play or teamwork	work settings	and wants	achieve them	model, or example to
what a visitor has told	based on a business	Being able to take on	Being aware of the	Being willing to speak up	others
them about their job	activity	different work related	concept of	for themselves and others	Considering
	Thinking about questions	roles in group play or	entrepreneurialism and	Being able to discuss role	entrepreneurialism and
	they would like to ask a	teamwork, including as	self-employment	models and reflect on	self-employment as a
	visitor about their job	leader when required		leadership	career pathway.
		Explaining what they		Researching	
		found out from a visitor		entrepreneurialism and	
		about setting up their		employment	
		own business			

Balance Life and work

Balance your life as a worker and/or entrepreneur with your wellbeing, other interests and your engagement with your family and the wider community

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Being aware of the different kinds of work that need doing in the home Recognising when they have done something to help others Being aware that people do paid work for financial and other rewards Being able to distinguish between work and rest Being aware of health and safety rules at school Exploring going to work and coming home again Recognising when someone is being given work to do which is unfair on them Being aware of how to use money.

Recognising the contribution they make to the work that is done in the home Being aware of what volunteers do and how they can be a volunteer Exploring the rewards they would like to get from paid work Being aware that overwork is harmful to people's health Recognising how they can help keep themselves safe in school **Exploring what happens** in the first few days when people start work Being aware that they and others can play a part in helping to ensure that people are treated well at work Being aware of how money can be earned

Being able to explain the idea of division of labour with reference to the work that is done in the home Being aware of what charities do and how they can be a charity worker Recognising that people seek different rewards when considering paid work that they'd like to do Being aware that imbalances between people's life and work affects their wellbeing Recognising what they can do to help keep themselves and others safe at school Being aware that peoples work needs change during their lives.

Being aware of the concept of work-life balance Being aware that physical and mental wellbeing are important Being aware of money and that individuals and families have to actually manage their finances Being aware of different life states and life roles Being aware of rights and responsibilities in the workplace and in society Recognising the injustices caused by prejudice, stereotypes and discrimination in learning and workplaces

Reflecting on the different ways in which people balance their work and life Reflecting on their physical and mental wellbeing and considering how they can improve these Recognising the role that money and finances will play in the decisions that they make, in their life and career Recognising the role that they play in their family and community and considering how that might shape their career Considering how they want to move through different life stages and manage different life roles Developing knowledge of rights and responsibilities in the workplace and in society Identifying what they can do, individually and with others, to challenge prejudice stereotyping

and discrimination in learning and workplaces.

Planning for the kind of balance of work and life that they want Using action to improve their physical and mental wellbeing Beginning to manage their own money and plan their finances (e.g. thinking about student loans) Actively shaping their involvement in their family and community as part of their career planning Planning for different life stages and considering the different life roles that they want to play Being aware of their role in ensuring rights and responsibilities in the workplace and in society Taking action to challenge prejudice, stereotypes and discrimination in learning and workplaces when they encounter them

See the big picture

Early Years	Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2	Key Stage 3	Key Stage 4	Key Stage 5
Recognising when work is	Being aware of how work	Being aware of what the	Being aware of a range of	Evaluating different	Evaluating different
depicted in a story	is portrayed differently in	author is encouraging	different media,	media, information	media, information
Recognising the	different stories	them to think about when	information sources and	sources and viewpoints	sources and viewpoints
difference between	Recognising that the way	work is a theme in a story	viewpoints	Exploring local and	and reflecting on the best
stories about work and	that work is shown is not	Being able to consider if	Being aware that there	national labour market	way to get information
factual information about	always accurate / reliable	the information they have	are trends in local and	trends	for their career
work	Exploring how working	found is accurate /	national labour markets	Exploring trends in	Exploring and responding
Being aware that working	life is changing for people	reliable	Being aware that trends	technology and science	to local and national
life was different in the	now	Being aware of trends	in technology and science	Exploring the relationship	labour market trends
past	Being aware of how	that hint at how working	have implications for	between career and the	Exploring and responding
Recognising scientific and	scientific and	life may change for them	career	environment	to trends in technology
technological aids that	technological aids help	by the time they embark	Being aware of the	Exploring the relationship	and science
people use in their work	people to do their work	on their careers	relationship between	between career, politics	Exploring and responding
Exploring jobs that people	Exploring work practices	Exploring the benefits and	career and the natural	and the economy	to the relationship
do outdoors	in the school	possible drawbacks of	environment		between career and the
Exploring the jobs that	environment that	scientific and	Being aware of the		environment
people do to help them	promote sustainability	technological	relationship between		Exploring and responding
	Exploring the jobs that	developments that affect	career community and		to the relationship
	people do to help each	how people do their work	society		between career,
	other.	Exploring jobs and ways	Being aware of the		community and society
		of working that help to	relationship between		Exploring and responding
		protect the environment	career, politics and the		to the relationship
		Exploring what they and	economy.		between career, politics
		others can do to prevent			and the economy.
		people from having to do			
		harmful work			