




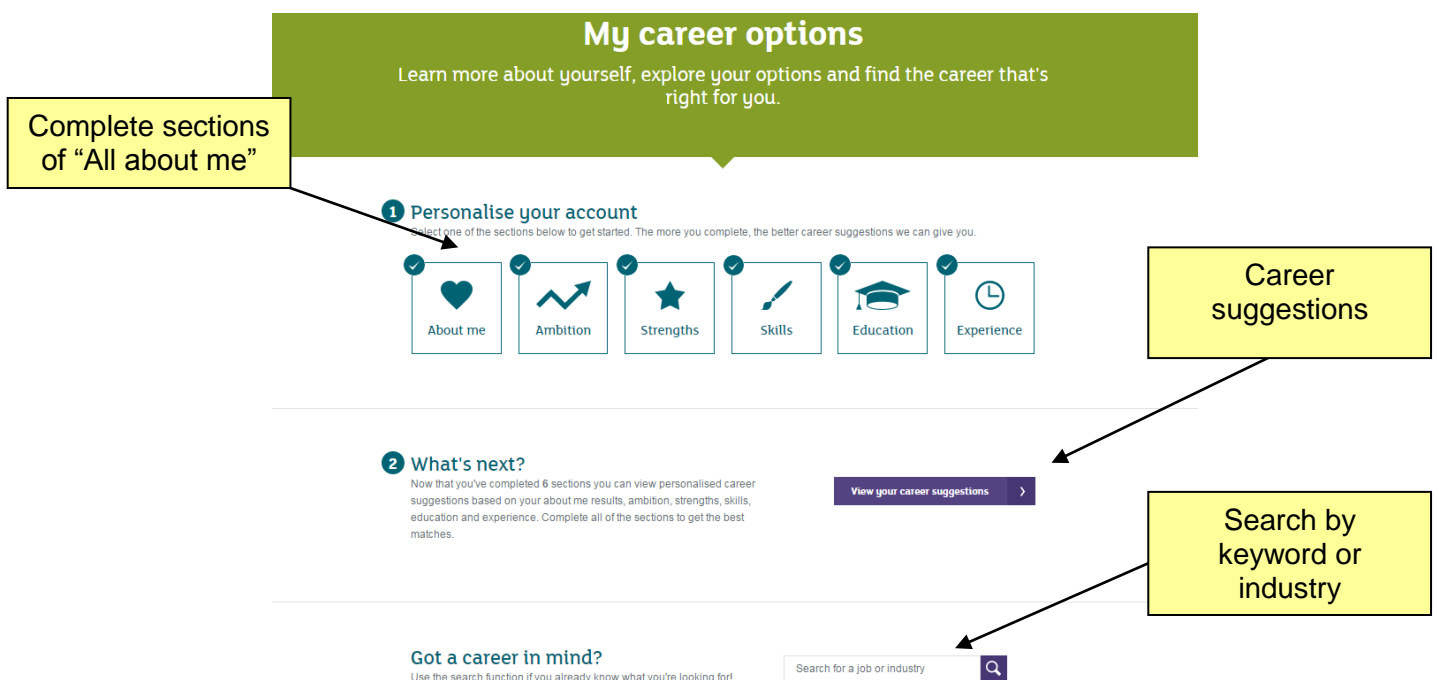
My Career Options

Find out what career options your education, experience, skills and strengths can open up for you. Explore the job profiles, industries and Modern Apprenticeship opportunities that could suit your interests and ambition.

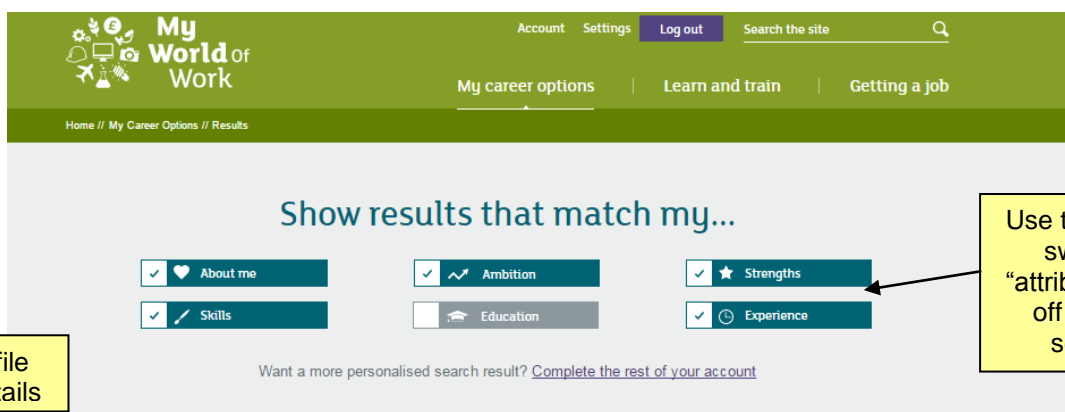
From the Home page, click on the green signpost icon, or on “Explore options” below the introduction.

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|  <h3>My career options</h3> <p>Start by learning more about yourself, including where your strengths lie. You'll get suggestions to help you explore your options, from school subjects through to changes in your career.</p> <p>Explore options</p> |  <h3>Learn and train</h3> <p>Search for the right course, and get advice on UCAS and college applications. There's info on different ways to learn and funding – including SDS Individual Learning Accounts.</p> <p>Get started</p> |  <h3>Getting a job</h3> <p>Find job or Modern Apprenticeship vacancies. Then use our tips and tools for CVs, application forms and interviews to help you get it.</p> <p>Read more</p> |
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This takes you to the My Career Options screen, where you can see which sections you have completed and add more personalisation to your account. You can view career suggestions or find out about a job or industry you may already have in mind.



Career suggestions are shown in categories, starting with Job Profiles, Industries and Types of Modern Apprenticeship

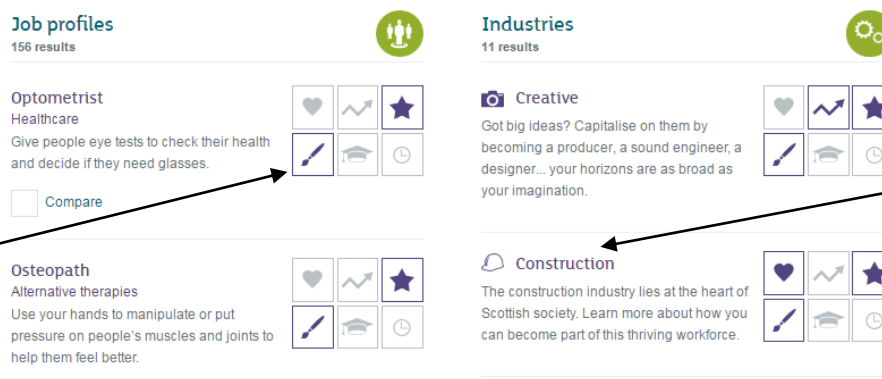


Use tickboxes to switch the "attributes" on or off for result selection

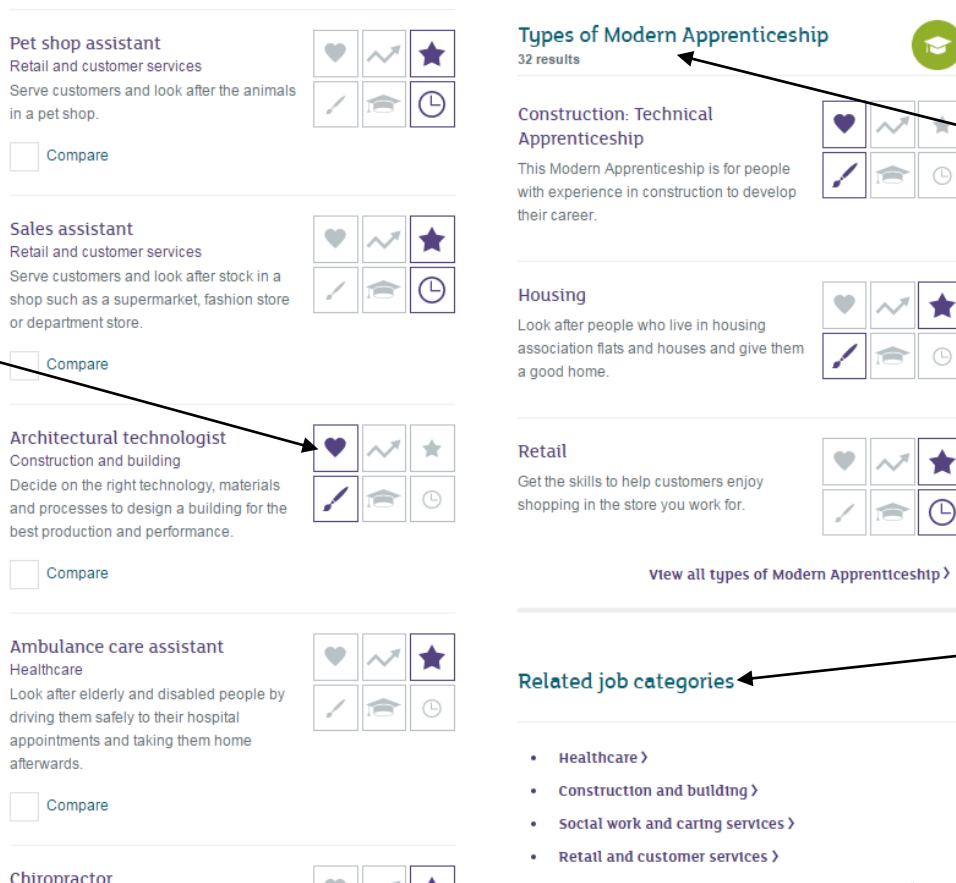
Click job profile title to see details

Purple icons show that the job or industry matches that attribute in "All about me"

Click industry name to see details



Further down the page, types of Modern Apprenticeship and related job categories are shown



Icons in purple show that the job or industry matches that attribute in "All about me"

Click MA title to see details

Click category to see matching job profiles

Job profiles show details of the role, what is require to get into it, related skills and working conditions, e.g.

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Pet shop assistant

Share Job Profile

The role | Getting in | Opportunities | Related careers | More info

Overview

Average UK salary range
£11,440 - 19,760

Currently employed in Scotland
97,304

Career outlook

Jobs in Scotland

| Year | Jobs in Scotland |
|------|------------------|
| 2016 | 97,000 |
| 2017 | 95,000 |
| 2018 | 93,000 |
| 2019 | 91,000 |
| 2020 | 89,000 |
| 2021 | 87,000 |
| 2022 | 80,000 |

UK employment status

Full time Part time Self employed

Role info

You would serve customers and look after the animals in a pet shop. You might sell rodents, fish, birds and other pets as well as cages, food and accessories.

The animals would depend on you to treat them well while they were in your care. You would need to keep them healthy and happy and make sure that each customer is pleased with the pet they will take home.

You would:

- Give food and water to the animals
- Groom the animals and clean out their cages
- Exercise the animals if needed
- Promote animal welfare and advise customers on caring for their pets
- Sell pet care products
- Look after stock levels and deal with deliveries
- Keep the shop clean and tidy
- Check the water temperature and chemical balance in fish tanks
- Check the animals' health and take them to a veterinary surgeon if they are ill

You'd need to be confident handling many different pets. It would be important for you to understand health and safety guidelines.

Some shops specialise in a particular type of animal. For example, aquatic centres sell mainly fish. If you were based in a specialist shop, you would be expected to provide more in-depth information to customers.

Personal Qualities

- An interest in animals
- The confidence to handle a wide range of domestic animals
- The ability to learn more about working with animals willingness to clean out dirty cages and deal with routine tasks
- The ability to follow health and safety guidelines
- The ability to take responsibility for promoting the welfare of animals

The video clips, “Real People Stories” show the journey of people in similar roles, vacancies and related careers

The people



David H. - Customer Service Adviser

Reel people stories

- Kirsteen MacDonald
- Cheryl Howarth

The 'Reel people stories' section shows two horizontal timelines for Kirsteen MacDonald and Cheryl Howarth. Each timeline consists of a green line with several colored dots (green, red, green) representing different stages or roles in their careers.

Click name to see their story

Hover over nodes to see description – colours relate to “Learn and Train” or “Career Options” as appropriate

Opportunities

Volunteering opportunities
133 results

Delivery Service Volunteer, Annan General Shop Assistant

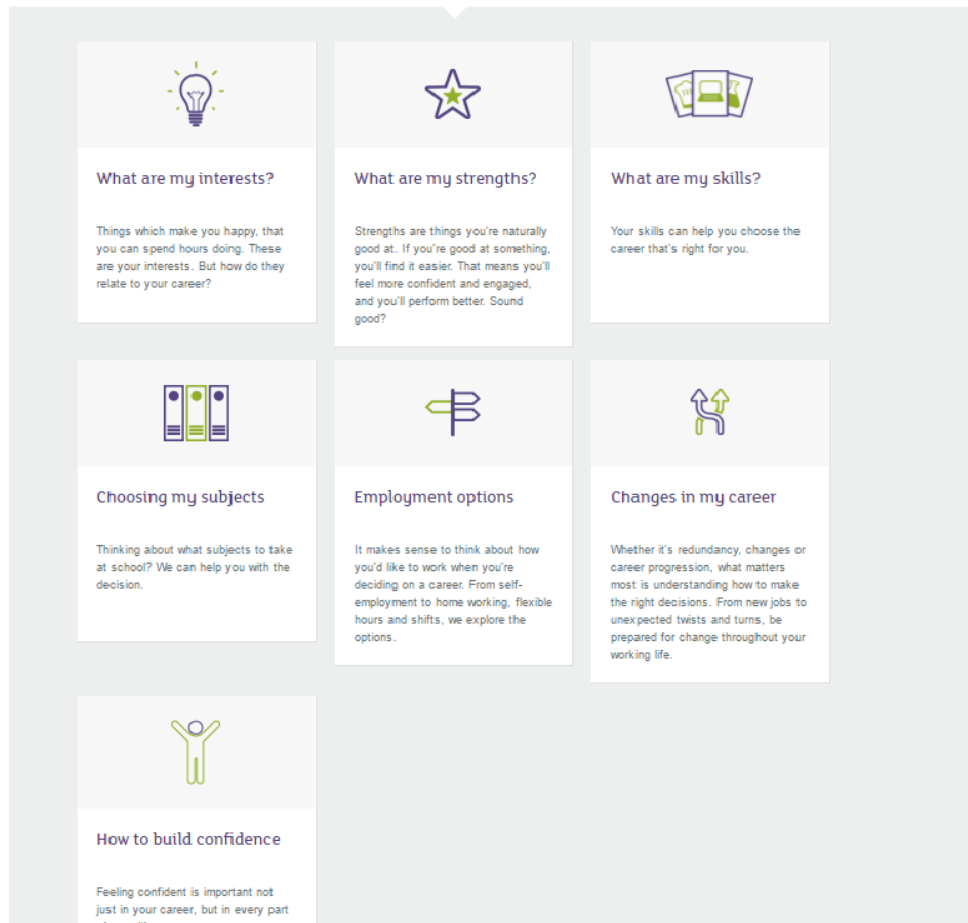
[View all volunteering opportunities >](#)

Click button to see details

Related careers

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| Kitchen manager (head chef) | Wine merchant | Laundry worker | Locksmith | Market trader | Pet shop assistant | |
| Bookmaker | Petrol service sales assistant | Bookseller | Retail buyer | Butcher | Retail jeweller | Call centre operator |
| Retail manager | Car salesperson | Sales assistant | Checkout operator | Cinema or theatre attendant | Sales manager | |
| Courier | Sales representative | Floortist | Shoe repairer | Food packaging operative | Shopkeeper | |
| Food scientist or food technologist | Trading standards officer | Kitchen assistant | Window cleaner | | | |

Below the initial My Career Options screen, there is also a series of resources which use text and video to give more information on the things you need to know when considering your career options.



One of these options is “Choosing my subjects”, this section contains a variety of resources, including a tool where you can enter up to 5 school subjects to explore related career choices.

Enter subject title here

Explore subject choices

Where could my subjects take me?
Use this search to find out. Enter up to five school subjects. We'll find jobs where your subjects could be useful. You can also see relevant industries and Modern Apprenticeships.

Enter subject title

English X Mathematics X Physics X

Show my career options >

Remove subjects from list by clicking “X”

Subjects already entered can be removed by clicking the “X”. Click on the “Show my career options” button to be taken to a “My career options”-style screen of suggestions that match your subjects.

