

## Being prepared

Whatever life throws your way now and in the future, being prepared is always going to be an advantage. During this time, it is a great way to get ready for September, but also investigate some of your other interests too.

### Try something new.

This might be writing a book, completing a project, designing an app or many other things. Take this time to do something you might thought about, but never had the time to do.

This also gives you more to talk about with new friends and when you go through interviews when you apply for jobs.



### What can I do?

It is important that you:

- Recognise the skills you already have and how employers will see this. This is [a great article](#) to help you do that.
- Research your future. What does the job market look like for you? Are you going to have move to do the job you want to do? Here is [an article to help you.](#)
- Manage the expectations of others. Remember this is your career journey and you're going to need to put your happiness at the forefront. Talk to people about what you want to do and why.

Here are some links you or other people at home might find useful:

- [Skills for work. A dedicated section looking at the exact skills you need for different jobs.](#)
- [Having a Plan B](#)
- [Why you should never stop learning at work](#)
- [Top tips on taking the initiative](#)

