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	Career Conversations
	Q&A Prompts for Students and Parents
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Theme – Skills and Interest

Questions for students to ask parents	What were you good at in school?
	What do you enjoy doing most at home, work, with friends or family?
	What do you think your talents are / you are good at?
Questions for parents to ask students	What do you enjoy most in and out of school/college?
	What do you feel you are good at in school/college?
	What is your favourite subject? Do you know what kind of jobs are related to these subjects?
	Which of your interests, skills and abilities do you think will help you most in your future career?

Theme – Learning about Careers

Questions for students to ask parents	How did you learn about careers when you were at school?
	Do you think there are more/different career options available now?
	Do you know anyone who's completed an apprenticeship? What did they tell you about it?
	Do you know anyone who's been to university? What did they tell you about it?
	Do you know anyone who went straight into a job after school or college? What was that like for them?
	What takes place in school/college to help you with your future?

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Questions for parents to ask students	Who can help you at school/college with questions about careers? Is there a Careers Leader, Careers Advisor or Head of Careers?
	Do you hear from employers in school? Which ones did you like? What inspired you?
	Do ex pupils / students come back into school to talk about their post-education experience? Did some of their experiences inspire you?
	How much do you know about Further Education and employment options including apprenticeships, traineeships and T-levels? Do you know where to find out more about these routes?
	Is there anything you're unsure of that you've been introduced to but need more information about?
Theme – Making Choices	
Questions for students to ask parents	How did you choose the path you've taken?
	What advice would you give me about making choices?
Questions for parents to ask students	What do you think of jobs that involve travel? Do you want a job that will give you the opportunity to travel, or would you prefer to stay near home?
	What sort of environment would you like to work in? An office / in a big team / independently / outside?
	My path has included (education, apprenticeship, university, work, homemaking etc). What would you like your future to include?
	What challenges do you need to overcome to get to your preferred option?
	What support do you need from me to help you research your options and make decisions?
	What do you think my job entails? What do I do day to day? What do you think are the main tasks?
Questions for both students and parents	What did you want to be when you were 10 years old?
	If money wasn't a factor what would be your dream job?
	What are the top five things that you think are important when choosing a job or career?