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Looking Forward: What to consider when choosing A-levels

Your personal A-level subject analysis:

Choosing A-levels to suit you is one of the most important decisions you will make so it's essential you take time to think about your options. Try to choose subjects that:

1. You find interesting and enjoyable so you can complete the course.
2. You are good at and that suit your style of learning. Speak to your teachers and year 12/13 pupils to get an idea of what the course involves so you can see if it suits your skills.
3. Fit into your future plans. If you have a career in mind look at the subjects that are required or desired. If you are thinking of Higher Education look at what choices will meet university entry requirements. Many universities like a couple of traditional subjects (English, Maths, Sciences, Languages, History or Geography) while some don't like two very similar subjects such as Economics and Business Studies. Some discount General Studies, Critical Thinking and Citizenship so it's important to do your research before making your choices.

Employers prefer applicants to have specific skills, knowledge and qualifications to enter certain careers. The Career Details in your main report, and on the website, provide details of the what specific careers require. However, it can be a good idea to keep your options open. The table on the following page shows which subjects are more likely to do this. The longer the shaded bar, the more relevant the subject is to the careers listed in your report.

The subjects are listed roughly in order of how well they match the interest profile shown by your answers to the questionnaire. Those subjects which match your profile most closely are towards the top of the list.

This is not a complete list of all available subjects and your school or college will probably offer a different selection.























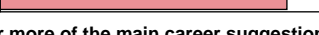

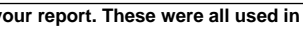
If you have a firm career path in mind, it is vital that the direction you take is keeping with that choice. Aside from that, it would be sensible to select a balanced set of subjects which keep your options open (have longer shaded bars) as well as maintaining your interest.

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Looking Forward - Your unique, personal subject profile

Some possible A-level subjects: These are typical subjects. The options available to you are likely to be a little different. They are listed roughly according to how well they reflect your answers to the questionnaire. The longer the shaded bar the more relevant the subject is to the careers suggested to you in this report. Subjects that are required by specific careers are indicated with a ‡ or †.

Study Area	The longer the bar, the more relevant the subject is to your careers suggestions
‡ † Physics	
ICT / Computing	
‡ † Mathematics	
Product Design	
† Chemistry	
Geology/Env. Science	
Geography	
† Art	
† Biology	
Sports and PE	
Politics	
Music Technology	
Economics/Business	
English	
Psychology/Sociology	
Media/Comm./Film Studies	
History	
Drama (Performance)	
Law	
Music	
Religious Studies	
Philosophy	
Modern Foreign Language	
Classical Civilisation	
Ancient Language	

‡ Subject often required by one or more of the main career suggestions from your report

† Subject often required by one or more of the associated career areas













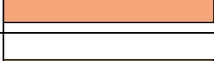


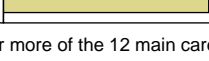
Main Career Suggestions - from your report. These were all used in this analysis			
Engineer: communications	I.T. - network manager	Software developer / programmer / engineer	‡ Engineer: mechanical
‡ Engineer: building services	Surveyor - quantity	Geologist / geophysicist	Engineer: civil and structural
Architect	‡ Engineer: aerospace / aeronautical	‡ Materials scientist / engineer	Landscape architect
Associated Careers - areas similar to one or more of the main suggestions. These were also included in this analysis			
† Engineer: electrical / electronic	Database administrator / manager	† Computer games animator / artist	I.T. - systems analyst / architect
† Engineer: manufacturing	Building/construction manager / technologist	Surveyor - building	Project / contract manager
Oceanographer / marine geologist	Environmental scientist	† Meteorologist	† Engineer: mining / minerals
† Biochemist / biotechnologist	† Chemist (chemical scientist)	† Metallurgist	Building conservation officer

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Looking Further - Relevant degree subjects

Below are the 20 degree subjects, selected from a total of 150, which are most closely linked with your career suggestions. Those marked ‡ or † are often required by one or more of your career suggestions

Course Subject	Relevance	Number of Institutions Offering Subject	Number of Courses (Single)	Number of Courses (Combined)	FDg HND Available	Typical Subjects for Entry
‡ † Geology, meteorology and oceanography		37	114	117	✗	Two from maths, science and geography/geology
‡ † Surveying, building and estate management		60	145	72	✓	No specific requirements. Maths GCSE.
‡ Materials and metallurgy		18	57	29	✗	Two from maths, physics and chemistry usually required.
Building services engineering		70	98	22	✓	Maths and a science useful but not essential.
Computer, communications and network engineering		107	203	160	✓	Maths often required, an additional science preferred
‡ Garden design and landscape		17	24	8	✓	Art/Design often preferred or required. Portfolio for most design courses.
‡ Civil and structural engineering		83	252	98	✓	Maths usually required. Physics often preferred, sometimes required.
‡ Mechanical engineering		150	481	246	✓	Maths usually required, Physics often preferred or required.
‡ Aeronautical and aircraft engineering		43	150	30	✓	Maths and physics usually required.
‡ Architecture		77	171	29	✓	Varies. Art/design, maths , physics and a portfolio can all be useful.
Software engineering		94	148	61	✓	Maths, ICT or a science often preferred, sometimes required.
† Chemistry		73	219	169	✗	Chemistry. Many require or prefer maths or another science. Maths GCSE.
Mathematics and statistics		82	299	385	✗	Mathematics. Further maths and/or another science sometimes preferred.
Computer science		102	255	274	✗	Maths usually required. Additional physical sciences or computing useful. .
Geography		83	246	297	✗	Geography often required, and a science sometimes also preferred.
† Biochemistry and biotechnology		63	148	81	✗	Chemistry required. Biology (or another science) usually needed. Maths GCSE.

‡ Usually required by one or more of the 12 main career suggestions contained in your report (and shown opposite)

† Usually required by one or more of the career areas closely associated with your main suggestions (also shown opposite)

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Careers

nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk

comprehensive information and advice including careers, jobs, courses and funding.

www.icould.com

Videos of people talking about their career paths.

www.Careersbox.co.uk

A range of videos where people describe their careers.

www.INSIDECareers.co.uk/bookstore

Guides to a range of business and finance related careers.

www.Targetjobs.co.uk

Information on a wide range of graduate careers.

www.Prospects.ac.uk

Information on graduate vacancies, post-graduate study and typical career destinations by subject studied.

www.NotGoingToUni.co.uk

Advice and resources on alternatives to higher education.

Trotman Careers Guide

Details of hundreds of career areas.

A-Z of Careers and Jobs

A detailed guide to a wide range of careers. (Kogan Page)

Becoming a... series

Series of titles that give detailed information on a range of specific professions. (BPP)

Working In... series (Trotman)

A series of books on competitive careers areas. (Trotman)

www.healthcareers.nhs.uk

Information on dozens of medical careers.

www.Lantra.co.uk

Information on many land-based and environmental careers.

What color is your parachute?

A practical manual for job-hunters and career changers. (www.jobhuntersbible.com)

Build your own rainbow

A self-assessment careers planning and exploration book. (Management Books 200 Ltd)

How to get a job you'll love

Practical guide designed to help you in choosing your ideal career. (McGraw-Hill Professional)

Ultimate CV

Advice on the design of CVs to help you stand out from the crowd. (Kogan Page)

How to find a job on LinkedIn, Facebook,

Twitter

& Google - using social media to aid your job hunting. (McGraw-Hill Professional)

Ultimate Interview

How to present yourself well at interview with example questions and responses (Kogan Page)

Self-employment

www.entrepreneurhandbook.co.uk

a comprehensive resource for all budding and established entrepreneurs in the UK.

www.shell-livewire.org

support and awards programme for young entrepreneurs

www.princes-trust.org.uk

their Enterprise Programme supports 18-30 year olds with a business idea

Financial Times guide to Business Start Up

covers all aspects of starting and running a business.

Starting an Online Business for Dummies

All-in-one guide to everything you need to know to start an online business (J Wiley & Sons)

Courses

www.gov.uk/browse/education

Information on all aspects of further and higher education

www.ucas.com

Virtually everything you need to know about applying to

University

What Do Graduates Do?

Lists the first destinations of graduates (HECSU)

www.Hotcourses.com

search over a million courses at all levels and types from across the UK; also includes student reviews.

www.gov.uk/search?q=apprenticeships

information on many different types of apprentices available

www.disabilityrightsuk.org

Promoting opportunities and supporting students with disabilities

www.Unistats.com

Official statistics on entry requirements, destinations and satisfaction rates.

www.bestcourse4me.com

Detailing the links between individual degree subjects and employment prospects.

www.russellgroup.ac.uk/informed-choices

The importance of choosing the right sixth form subjects and how to decide.

www.push.co.uk

Independent guide to choosing, applying and enjoying a University.

www.theguardian.com/education/universityguide

Profiles of over 150 HE institutions with subject ratings.

www.WhatUni.com

Student reviews of courses and places.

www.OpenDays.com

A searchable calendar of university and college open days.

fd.ucas.com

Details of all Foundation degrees (work related 2 yr courses)

Into Apprenticeships

Information for disabled students

<https://crm.disabilityrightsuk.org/>

Heap: University Degree Course Offers

by Brian Heap, useful, clear information on selection criteria and offers made for UK degree courses (Trotman)

Getting Into... Course Guides

Ten titles giving information courses such as medicine, law, dental, physiotherapy (Trotman/MPW)

The Times Good University Guide

Features the Times' university rankings. (Times Books)

Heap: Choosing Your Degree Course and

University

helps to choose between institutions, subjects and courses (Trotman)

How to Complete Your UCAS Application

Solid advice (Trotman)

Support for students with disabilities

How to apply for support and how universities can help. www.ucas.com

Which A-levels?

How to choose your A-levels. By Alison Dixon available through Amazon

University Interviews Guide

Gives sample-specific questions for over 80 individual degree courses (available from Amazon)

Admission Tests

www.UKCat.ac.uk

Sample, book and manage a Clinical Aptitude Test; required by most UK Medical and Dental schools

www.bmat.org.uk

for details, including samples and registration, of: BMAT, ELAT, HAT, PAT, STEP, TSA

www.Lnat.ac.uk

Where Law applicants can practice, book and manage their LNAT test

www.oxbridge-admissions.info

Advice from students who have been through the Oxford or Cambridge admission process.

Finance

www.Gov.uk/1619-bursary-fund

financial support for some 16-19s in FE or training

www.EMAScotland.com

financial support for some 16-19s in FE

www.DELNI.gov.uk

will contain information on EMA for some 16-19s in FE.

www.slc.co.uk

Student Loans Company provides the loans and grants to students in the UK

www.gov.uk/student-finance England

www.StudentFinanceWales.co.uk Wales (inc. info on EMA)

www.saas.gov.uk Scotland

www.studentfinancenir.co.uk Northern Ireland

www.Scholarship-Search.org.uk

Searchable database of thousands of awards.

Student finance for dummies

a guide to managing money whilst at university. (J. Wiley & Sons)

Study Abroad

www.Ecctis.co.uk/Europass

Europass, a system to help people study, work or train in Europe.

www.Fulbright.org.uk

a website for students in the UK hoping to study the USA, and vice versa

www.Studylink.com

Database of courses in Australia, Europe, India, Far East and USA.

www.erasmusplus.org.uk

Erasmus programme enables students to study in Europe

GAP Years and Volunteering

www.Gap-Year.com

information and advice on taking a gap year

www.etrust.org.uk/the-year-in-industry

paid placements

www.gov.uk/guidance/gap-year-foreign-travel-advice

Advice on travelling and working abroad.

www.backpackeradvice.com

Information and tips for people backpacking around the world.

www.Do-it.org.uk

UK volunteering search engine

General Support

www.TheSite.org.uk

Resources and advice on a wide range of topics

www.Plotr.co.uk

careers platform for ages 11-24

www.TheStudentRoom.co.uk

A wide-ranging forum for students.