

Lesson 8 Worksheet: Creative Career Paths

This worksheet will help you clarify your career goals by considering three possible career paths. Obviously you aren't going to finalise your path in life this week -- use the questions to reflect on your current position and possible future directions.

You may want to come back to this worksheet in a few months time, to see if things look different. And you can also use it next time you're faced with a big career decision, to check that the choice you make is aligned with your long-term goals.

1. Your current position

Are you currently an employee, a freelancer or a creative entrepreneur?

How satisfied are you in this role?

Have you any idea which of the three options you'd like to pursue a long-term? If so, is your current role taking you in the direction you want to go?

2. The Employee

What do you find attractive about the idea of being an employee?

What do you find unattractive about the idea of being an employee?

If you were to pursue this path, what changes would you have to make to be successful at it? What would you need to learn?

3. The Freelancer

What do you find attractive about the idea of being a freelancer?

What do you find unattractive about the idea of being a freelancer?

If you were to pursue this path, what changes would you have to make to be successful at it? What would you need to learn?

4. The Creative Entrepreneur

What do you find attractive about the idea of being a creative entrepreneur?

What do you find unattractive about the idea of being a creative entrepreneur?

If you were to follow this path, what changes would you have to make to be successful at it? What would you need to learn?

5. The hybrid career

Do you like the idea of a hybrid career, combining elements of different career paths?

If so, what would your ideal combination of employment, freelancing and creative entrepreneurship look like?

If you were to follow this path, what changes would you have to make to be successful at it? What would you need to learn?