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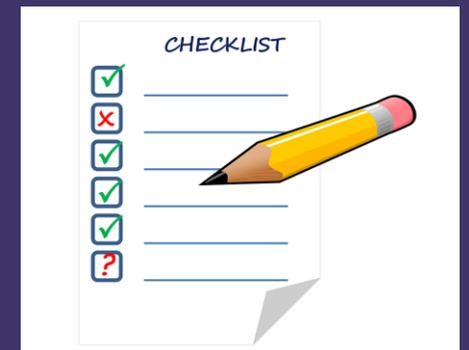
Go to:

<https://www.takeyourplace.ac.uk/post16-guidance/2020/6/16/y12l2-competitive-he-applications-e-learning>

Click and download: **Worksheet**

Click on: **Launch Course**

Complete pages 1-4 of the course.



Activity One: Career Options (Complete after page 4 of course)

1) Complete the buzz quiz here and do activity one on the worksheet:

<https://www.ucas.com/careers/buzz-quiz>

2) If you like suggested job role, explore it in UCAS.

If you don't look for one here: <https://www.ucas.com/ucas/after-gcses/find-career-ideas/explore-jobs>

Extension: Explore your role here:

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/explore-careers>

<https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles>

Now complete pages 4-7 of the course.



Activity Two: Choosing a course (Complete after page 7 of course)

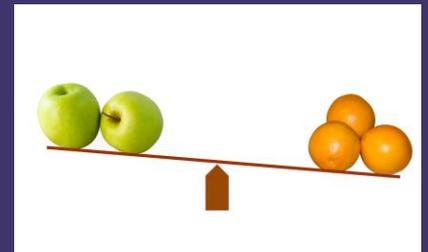
1) List at least 5 factors when choosing a course that are important to you using the template below.

Factors are on the page 7 of the course but could include:

Course content, Sports facilities, close to home, in a big city, in a small town, near a relative, near work experience options etc...

Extension: Think of some more factors and add them to your list!

NEXT: Complete page 8.



	Rating			
Decision-making criteria	Essential	Very important	Important	Don't mind
Location	x			
Good sports facilities		x		
Part-time work options			x	
Accommodation choice				x
Academic reputation			x	
Modules I like		x		
Near home			x	
Near work experience options	x			

Activity 3 – Comparing courses – (Complete after page 8 of course)

- 1) Use this UCAS website to find three places in the UK that do a course you like the sound of: <https://digital.ucas.com/search>
- 2) Go to the course websites and find out about each course
- 3) Complete the comparison matrix (template below)

Extension: either add more courses
or check out these websites:

<https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/universities/>

<https://www.whatuni.com/>

Next: Complete page 9-11 of the course.



Instructions: 1) Add your important or quite important criteria to the table.

2) Add your options give each option a score from 1-10, 10 being the highest for each of your criteria.

	Courses/Universities I am considering				
Decision-making criteria	BSc Geography at Birmingham	BSc Geology at Leeds	Climate Science at Reading	Meteorology at UEA	Geophysics & Meteorology at Edinburgh
Location	6	9	7	3	4
Good sports facilities	9	9	7	6	7
Employment opportunities	9	8	10	3	5
Accommodation types	8	8	7	9	6
Academic reputation	9	8	7	7	10
Modules I like	5	6	10	9	8
Near friends/family	8	6	7	4	2
Work experience	5	5	8	10	7
Scores	59	59	63	51	49

Activity 4: Super-curricular exploration – After page 11

1) Think of your favourite subject or topic and find a website that explores that interest. Then complete activity 4 on the worksheet. These links might help:

https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/sites/www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/files/publications/super-curricular_suggestions.pdf

Extension: Pick a question to explore here:

<https://explore.org/>

NEXT: Complete pages 12-13



Activity 5: Exploring entry requirements – after page 13

1) Find five UK courses you might be interested in and compare the entry requirements at each. You have to pick a University not in England, two in England far from home and two in England near home.

These links might help:

<https://www.ucas.com/file/129971/download?token=mGS-b3F1>

<https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/>

Extension: Pick a city you have never been to and read about it here:

<https://www.ucas.com/city-guides>

NEXT: Complete the rest of the course

