General Questions

Find a podcast that you find interesting and listen through it, then answer the following questions.

1. What is this person’s job title? Describe what they do.

2. What steps did they take to get where they are? Does it require formal education? What educational requirements?

3. Describe what a day in the interviewee’s life looks like.

4. What resources and advice do the interviewee give to people who may be interested in pursuing their line of work?
Find a podcast from a job title that sticks out to you or that you find interesting and listen through it. Imagine yourself doing that job, and use the rest of this page to list out things that you’d think you like and dislike about the job.
Career Guide

Answer the following questions to help you find a career industry that you are interested in and learn more about it.

1. Browse through the podcast clips and write down the top three jobs that sound the most interesting to you.

2. Define a broader category in which the three jobs you listed fall under. (i.e. finance, technology, humanities, etc.)

3. Prior to watching the podcast clips, what were at least three assumptions you had about the type of work you would do in the broader category.

4. Write down what appeals to you about the work in the category you defined.

5. Now watch the podcast clips related to the three jobs, and write down one new fact you learned about each job.
Scavenger Hunt

Find a clip related to each of the following and list the title next to it. Give a few details about why the clip fits the prompt or what the interviewee talks about.

1) A clip about a job that doesn’t require a formal education

2) A clip about a job that requires a formal education

3) A clip with advice about getting into a job you are interested in

4) A clip describing a field that you don’t know anything about

5) A clip about how someone turned their passion into a job

6) A clip about a job you would dislike

7) A clip about a job unique and local to the Santa Cruz area

8) A clip about a trade job

9) A clip about a c-suite job
Breaking Barriers

Learn about a career in an industry that you have no interest in, and then re-evaluate if you still have no interest in that industry.

1. What is a career industry that you have no interest in? Why?

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2. Watch podcast clips about someone in that career industry and write down three facts you learned. (Be sure to include the title)

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3. Do you still have no interest in this career industry? Why or why not?

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4. How has watching these podcasts clips encouraged you to explore other career industries you would have never considered before? Did they help you narrow down which career industries you are interested in?

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Write down your strengths and weaknesses. Explain how they will help or hinder you in your career industry of interest. How can you improve them?

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