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Post 16 skills - A guide to help you get started

<p>1. THINK</p> <p>What will I do when I leave the Sixth Form? It's never too early to start thinking about this to plan your pathway.</p> 	<p>2. ANSWER</p> <p>These three questions: Why go? What shall I study? Where?</p> 	<p>3. READ</p> <p>Prospectuses, CareerMag, websites: www.ukcoursefinder.com https://www.goodschoolsguide.co.uk/careers/personal-development-programmes/bestcourse4me www.ucas.com/undergraduate</p> 	<p>4. WATCH</p> <p>The PiXL presentation 'Getting Into Your Top Choice University' and READ the accompanying booklet, which has reading lists for all subjects. https://auth.pixl.org.uk/tv/s/4916/57sNqONjStPESZL_Eg-P3TKu7hc</p> 
<p>5. BUILD UP</p> <p>A portfolio of evidence that you are an independent learner, interested in challenging and sharing ideas, and keen on your chosen subject(s).</p> 	<p>6. LOOK AT</p> <p><u>Ted talks</u>, subject websites (such as nrich.maths, galaxyzoo and historytoday etc.), and MOOCs (taster courses for university). Available at Future Learn and the Student Room.</p> 	<p>7. KEEP ON TOP</p> <p>Of all your Year 12 work. It's what your application will be based on.</p> 	<p>8. GO TO</p> <p>Open Days, Taster Days and Summer Schools. Make a note of key things you learn there.</p> 
<p>9. WATCH</p> <p>The PiXL presentation on 'How To Write A Strong Personal Statement'.</p> 	<p>10. WRITE</p> <p>Start writing your personal statement in June of Year 12. If you're still a bit short of evidence, you have the summer to sort that out.</p> 	<p>11. PREPARE</p> <p>If you are aiming for Oxbridge or for Med, Dental or Vet School, READ the PiXL advice on 'How to Prepare for Interviews'. Your applications need to be in by Oct 15th.</p> 	<p>12. SUBMIT</p> <p>Applications to other universities early. The official deadline may be Jan 15th but there is an advantage in getting a strong application in early, so aim for Nov 15th at the latest.</p> 
<p>13. INVESTIGATE</p> <p>Student finance via Moneysupermarket.</p> 	<p>14. CONSIDER</p> <p>Offers carefully. Don't accept the easiest – go for the best. <u>Aim for your top choice!</u></p> 	<p>15. GET</p> <p>The grades. It's a brilliant feeling when you've nailed your top choice and you'll never regret giving it your best efforts to do so.</p> 	<p>16. ENJOY</p> <p>The celebration! BEST OF LUCK!</p> 

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