#### YEAR 8 SELF DEVELOPMENT

## **PERSONAL VALUES & INTERESTS**





### HOW CAN I DECIDE WHAT MY VALUES ARE?

**Self-reflection:** Consider moments in your life when you felt happiest or most fulfilled. What were you doing? What values were being expressed in those moments?

**Identify role models:** Think about people you admire or look up to. What qualities do they possess that you find inspiring?

**Examine your reactions:** Pay attention to situations or events that make you react (in a good or a bad way). Your reactions can provide insights into your values. For example, if you feel upset when you witness injustice, fairness might be an important value for you.

**Consider your priorities:** Think about how you spend your time and energy. What activities do you enjoy the most? What goals are you working towards? Your priorities can indicate your underlying values.

**Seek feedback:** Talk to trusted friends, family members, or mentors about what they perceive as your values. Sometimes, others can offer valuable insights that you may not have considered.

**Use tools:** There are various quizzes, exercises, and worksheets available online or in self-help books that can help you explore your values. These tools often provide prompts and questions to guide your reflection.

**Keep a journal:** Writing down your thoughts and feelings regularly can help you gain clarity about your values over time. Reflect on your experiences, beliefs, and aspirations in a journal

**Experiment:** Try out different activities, hobbies, or volunteering opportunities to see what resonates with you.

Give an example of a personal interest of yours and a career you can see yourself doing because of it.

Here are some ideas...













Your interests

How it might align to a career

From the list below, which steps would help in creating an effective career action plan. Colour or highlight your choice of answers.

Post everything on Instagram

**Emotional Intelligence** 

Don't plan - it will work out

Know your values

Financial Literacy

Knowing your interests

Copy your best friend

Work Experience

Goal Setting

VCCF Outcome 8.3 - Understand and analyse how personal characteristics (attitudes, interests, values, beliefs and behaviours) influence career decisions

# **UNDERSTANDING PERSONAL VALUES**



#### RANK THESE VALUES/INTERESTS FROM HIGHEST TO LOWEST

1 = 1	Highest 18= lowest	
	<b>Do What You Love </b> Pick a career that gets you excited and matches what you love doing.	
	Balancing Act 4: Look for jobs that let you enjoy life outside of work too, like hanging out with friends or hobbi	es.
	<b>Helping Hand </b> ♥•: If you like helping people, consider jobs where you can make a difference in others' lives.	
	Money Matters 💰: Think about careers that can provide the kind of lifestyle you want.	
	Always Growing : Go for jobs that offer chances to learn new things and grow.	
	Be Creative .: Love being imaginative? Pick a career where you can use your creativity.	
	On Your Own 🚉: If you like making your own decisions, look for jobs where you can be your own boss.	
	<b>Team Player ♥</b> : Enjoy teamwork? Choose careers where collaboration is key.	
	<b>Challenge Accepted</b> №: If you love tackling tough problems, find a job that keeps you on your toes.	
	Stay True *: Choose a job that fits with your personal values and morals.	
	<b>Green Future ?:</b> If the environment is your thing, look for eco-friendly careers.	
	<b>Everyone's Included</b> : Want a workplace that celebrates diversity? Look for inclusive companies.	
	Make a Difference *: Choose a career where you can have a positive impact on the world.	
	Lead the Way .: If you see yourself as a leader, aim for careers where you can guide and inspire others.	
	Safe and Sound : Prefer a steady, reliable job? Look for careers that offer security.	
	Earn Respect : Want to be recognised for your hard work? Aim for prestigious roles.	
	Flexible Lifestyle &: If you want a flexible schedule, look for jobs that offer that freedom.	
	<b>Tech Wizard</b> : Into tech and innovation? There are loads of cool, techy careers out there.	
What were your highest ranking items & why?		