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Year 12 Work Experience

Why do work experience?

Whatever future pathway you are following, this is your chance to have a taste of working life. You will:

- Develop transferable skills, such as communication, time management and teamwork
- Understand how organisations work
- Bring a job you have read about to life
- Build confidence in interacting with adults and new people
- Discover what sort of job and workplace you want to build a career in

Whatever you do, you will definitely learn something!

Specific pathways

Certain courses at university will require you to have work experience before you apply, and you will need to evidence and discuss this in your personal statement.

These include: Healthcare, Veterinary and Education

It is also recommended for courses like:

Law Engineering Accountancy Architecture Media production Town and country planning

Apprenticeship applications will be hugely strengthened by work experience!

Work experience (12-16th Feb)

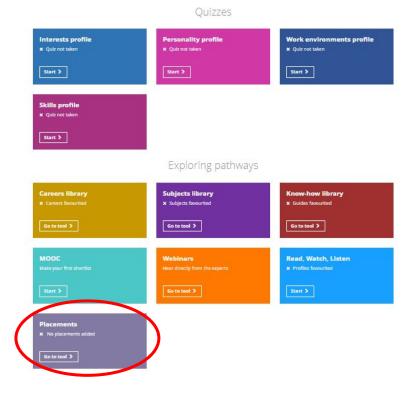
- 1. Start looking NOW. You should all be doing something in that week.
- 2. Ask your family and friends if they can offer you work experience or have useful contacts in relevant industries.
- 3. Look through suggested placements and information posted onto the Google Classroom.
- 4. Contact (email or phone) a range of organisations persevere if the first ones don't come off!
- 5. Read the model email first, then write your own application letters make sure these are tailored!
- 6. Track your applications
- 7. Speak to Mrs Griffiths Plunkett if you need guidance.
- 8. Apply to opportunities which the sixth form team suggest to you!
- 9. Confirm your placement in good time! Log it on UniFrog

You will need log your placement on UniFrog. For this, you will need:

- Company name and address
- Employer contact name and email (who will supervise you)
- Employment address
- Parent/guardian email address

Remember, work experience is not confirmed until it is logged in UniFrog!

Log into UniFrog, scroll down the homepage to the **Placements** box



Click on **Go to tool**

Placements

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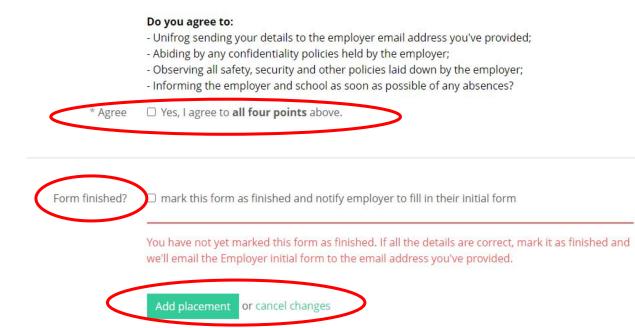
Some inspiration from the Know-how library

Complete the form. You must **select Year 12 Work Experience** from the dropdown as the placement coordinator.

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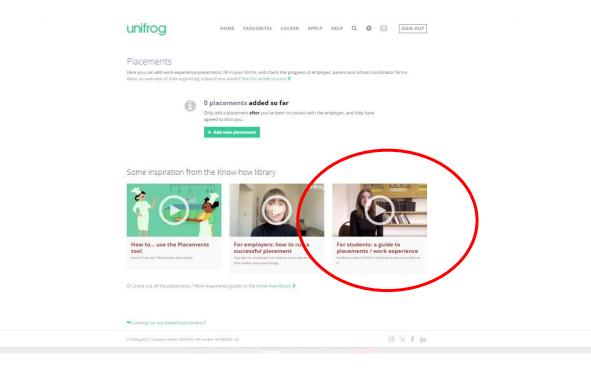
Common issues with the placement tool

Time commitment? Type 'Full time' if completing 7/8 hours in a day. 'Part time' if less. When completed, you must **tick agree**, **tick Form finished** and **click on Add placement**.



Need more help with the placement tool?

Watch the video on UniFrog. You will find this video on the first page of 'placement'.



Next steps

- 1. Start researching placements
- 2. Begin tracking email/contact and response. There is a tracking document set up for you:

Organisation Name	Contact name	Contact details	Date sent	Chase 1 month later	Response	Dates confirmed
MIND Charity (Head Office)	Rajprit Singh	singhr@mind.org	3rd Nov	Emailed 5th Dec about 15-16th Feb		
MIND Charity St Albans	Adam Smith	smitha@mind.sta.org	3rd Nov		18th Nov - Placement offered	12-14th Feb 2024

- 3. Any questions, speak to Ms Griffiths Plunkett. She is now based in the office in S10 (main sixth form room) and is here to give advice to all of you.
- 4. Use resources posted under Work Experience on Google Classroom