

Job Search



Youth Employment Services provides inclusive employment services for youth between 16 and 29.

Our purpose is to prepare youth in realizing their potential to become self-sufficient.

Aim

Know how to plan your job search and where to look for jobs



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Scenarios

Scenario 1: Jennifer is in grade ten and wanted her first job. She printed off some copies of her resume, changed into her interview clothes and visited local businesses, asking who might be hiring. When she checked the local pizza place the manager looked over her resume and interviewed her on the spot. She starts on Monday.

Scenario 2: Malek loves music. He wants to work in the industry but does not know how to find a job. After looking into a few music stores and applied to a bunch of jobs online before he remembered that his aunt works for a music festival in the summer. He called her and asked her for some job search advice. She gives him some jobs leads, he is now excited about his options!

Scenario 3: James enjoys hands on work and was looking for a general labour position in a warehouse. After some attempts of applying for online jobs without success, James used google maps to find warehouses in his neighbourhood that he could call directly and ask if they were hiring. After several calls to different companies, he landed an interview.

Where To Look:

Open Job Market:

- Indeed
- Workopolis & Monster
- Kijiji
- Career Fairs

Hidden Job Market:

- yellowpages.ca
- Cold calling * Tell Me about Yourself!**
- Google Maps
- Company websites
- Walkabouts
- Networking * Tell Me About Yourself!**



Tell Me About Yourself! **EQAL**

Useful for **cold calling** and **networking**

- Be able to talk about yourself for up to **1 minute**
- **E**xperience- what have you done?
- **Q**ualifications- skills and education
- **A**tttributes- qualities and characteristics
- **L**ife- volunteering, hobbies, who are you?

Summary

- ✓ Be optimistic and believe in yourself
- ✓ Keep your eyes open for new opportunities
- ✓ Take time to develop your network and practice your elevator speech and cold calling technique
- ✓ Remember only 10-25% of jobs are advertised
- ✓ Be open to volunteering and job shadowing as ways to gain experience
- ✓ Keep track of your job search activities

Practice: Searching for Jobs

- You have the knowledge to start your job search
- Try using **Google Maps** and see what's out there!
- Search for a job on **Indeed**
- Find a **company website** and look for where they advertise their jobs
- Go to **Yellow Pages** and make a list of places you want to contact



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