

CAREER EXPLORATION



How Do I Choose the Right Career?

I wish this question was an easy one to answer. When thinking about careers, it is a big decision. Students feel once they have chosen a career they are planning for the rest of their lives. That is not true! Did you know career change statistics suggest that the average person will be making a career change approximately 5-7 times during their working life?

When thinking about what you want to do, consider your natural strengths and weaknesses. What are you good at? What do you naturally gravitate to? What do you avoid? For example, many people will tell me they want to be an engineer or a doctor, but they struggle with math or science.

Some questions to consider when thinking about what you would like to do, also answer these simple questions.

Do you:

- Like to work alone or with others?
- Want to work inside or outside?
- Learn best by hands on learning or learning independently?
- Consider yourself a problem solver?

Look at the links below to help you create a plan for your future!

www.floridashines.org

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>

<https://www.bls.gov/ooh>

<https://www.bls.gov/k12/>