

# Lesson insert

## Overview

An activity using [myworldofwork.co.uk](http://myworldofwork.co.uk) to link the study of Psychology to possible careers.

## Objectives

As part of a wider lesson, this lesson insert intends to:

- Encourage pupils to research careers related to the study of Psychology
- Encourage pupils to compare different careers

## My World of Work activity (20mins)

- Arrange pupils into groups of two or three
- Ask pupils to choose a job card
- Ask pupils to use their thinking skills to answer the questions in the first part of the job research sheet
- Ask pupils to go to [myworldofwork.co.uk](http://myworldofwork.co.uk)
- Then go to [my career options](#) and click on the tab 'I have a career in mind'
- Ask them to search for the job on their card
- Ask them to complete the remainder of the job research sheet

## Connect the learning (in the wider lesson)

- Ask groups to feedback the skills they have identified for these jobs as part of their research and note their responses on a flipchart or whiteboard
- Discuss the skills required for the jobs covered and how these skills are being developed in the classroom

## Review and reflect (5mins)

- Ask pupils to reflect on the jobs covered and if they may be interested in following one of these careers
- If any pupils are interested, encourage them to carry out a more in-depth investigation of this career

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## Social studies

### Psychology

#### National 5 or Higher

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## Resources

- Computers or tablets with internet access
- Job cards
- Job research sheet
- Flipchart or whiteboard

## My World of Work links

### Job profiles

[Forensic psychologist](#)  
[Educational psychologist](#)  
[Sport and exercise psychologist](#)  
[Clinical psychologist](#)  
[Counsellor](#)  
[Psychotherapist](#)  
[Mental health nurse](#)  
[Pathologist](#)  
[Primary school teacher](#)  
[Scenes of crime officer](#)  
[Health psychologist](#)  
[Occupational psychologist](#)

### Curriculum links

Suitable for all year groups studying:

Psychology – National 5 or Higher

## Career Education Standard (3-18)

Supports entitlements set out in the [Career Education Standard](#) for young people to:

- Experience a curriculum through which they learn about the world of work and job possibilities and which makes clear the **strengths** and **skills** needed to take advantage of these opportunities
- Know where to find information and access support making effective use of online sources such as [My World of Work](#)
- Develop [Career Management Skills](#) as an integral part of their curriculum

Job cards

Forensic psychologist	Educational psychologist
Sport and exercise psychologist	Clinical psychologist
Counsellor	Psychotherapist
Mental health nurse	Pathologist
Primary school teacher	Scenes of crime officer
Health psychologist	Occupational psychologist



# Job research

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**Careers linked to:  
Psychology**

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Choose a job card and answer the following:

What is the job title?	
What do you think a person working in this job would do in a typical day?	
What skills do you think would be needed?	
What qualifications do you think would be needed?	
What do you estimate the average salary to be for this role?	
What do you think would be the working hours for this job?	
How many people do you think are employed in Scotland doing this job?	
Do you think the number of people employed is forecasted to increase or decrease or stay the same in the future?	

Log into the computer and go to [myworldofwork.co.uk](http://myworldofwork.co.uk)

Go to [my career options](#) to find out about the job on your card

Look for the answers to the questions above and consider:

- Were your answers as expected or were there any surprises?
  - Compare your answers with someone who has researched a different job profile. Discuss which job would you prefer to do and why?
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