

Careers: Career Paths

A career path shows the steps involved with getting a particular job. For example, to become a doctor, you would have to go to college, then medical school, then work in a residency (a job where a new doctor learns a particular type of medicine), and then a doctor's job in a medical office, hospital, or another medical position.

Talk to at least one adult you know who currently works at a job about their career path and answer the following questions.

What is this person's current job?

Does this job require any particular education or training?

Is this considered an entry level job? That means that someone could apply for this job even if they do not have experience in this field?

Is there another job that someone would usually have first before this job? (For example, you might work as a salesperson in a store before you can be the store manager.)

If someone in this job wanted a promotion, what would the next step or job be? Are there more jobs they could be promoted to after that?

Is there any advice this person would have for someone who wanted this job?