

BTEC SPORT

TRANSITION RESOURCES

EXAM BOARD: EDEXCEL

Unit 3: Professional Development in the Sports Industry

Task 1

Unit 3 is one that you will be completing coursework for in Year 12 and it is about understanding career and job opportunities in the sports industry.

We would like you to carry out *research* into a wide range of **sports-related jobs**:

- Think of one job that interests you as a potential career.
- Think about one job that does not interest you as a potential career.

Here are a few websites which will help you conduct your research:

www.leisureopportunities.co.uk

www.career-in-sport.co.uk/jobs

www.uksport.gov.uk/jobs-in-sport

You can gather your research by either writing it down on paper or typing it up on a computer:

What you need to do:

- 1. State why the role appeals to you (or not).
- 2. What relevant qualities/skills are needed for your chosen jobs and which ones you think you have already?
- 3. How do you think you can develop the qualities and skills you do not have at present for your chosen careers?

Once this is completed please email or send a photo of your work to Mrs Goodier and Mr Gardner:

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Task 2

We hope you enjoyed finding out about different careers in the sports industry.

Progressing from last week, for your chosen career (or a new one) you need to make a career pathway (qualifications needed from GCSE's to actually being qualified for the job).

You must state at least 2 universities where you can do your degree (if applicable).

Prospects.ac.uk is a great website to use, have a look around this website.

Here is an example of a pathway for a **Sports Physiotherapist** and outlines the depth and breadth of research we are looking for:

Career pathway:

- 5 GCSEs 4-9 including English and Mathematics.
- 3 A Levels or BTEC Level 3 in at least one Science and P.E. at grade C and above.
- 35 universities in the UK offer a Physiotherapy degree (or Sports Science BSc (Hons).
- Alternatively, if an individual does not have 3 A Levels or equivalent in the relevant subjects, they can access a Level 3 Diploma in Applied Science & volunteer at a practice or club.
- A typical physiotherapy degree takes three years complete at university. The course consists
 of learning about anatomy and physiology for the first two years. Then in the third year you
 are put on a work placement where you rotate around the different areas within
 physiotherapy.
- The next step is to register with the Health and Care Professional's Council (HCPC). To register, an individual must complete a physiotherapy degree, preferably. The university will often help students register.
- Once registered with the HCPC, the individual is then eligible for registration and membership to the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy (CSP).
- It can be beneficial to choose the area the individual wishes to specialise in and also volunteer as a Physiotherapist's Assistant in order to gain the most experience and knowledge.
- After all this, a person can then find a more permanent work placement and specialise in their chosen area.
- At some point, sports physiotherapists also need to go on Safeguarding, Basic Life Saving and Infectious Disease training courses.

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Task 3

We hope you enjoyed researching career pathways.

Sport and leisure in the UK can be categorised into **three sectors**: the **public**, **private** and **voluntary** sectors. Within these sectors, employment in the sport and leisure industry is usually available at either **local** of **national level**.

Write or type a paragraph for what each of the following mean, giving examples within sport.

Then for the career that you chose to map a pathway for, **explain** what category it falls within (**how** and why).

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