

CAREER GROWTH GUIDE

Practical tips, simple exercises and small steps
towards a more fulfilling career.

■ SMALL STEPS • REAL PROGRESS

A little guide for when you feel ready for something more.

Use it to pause, reflect, identify what you want to improve, and turn vague career thoughts into a few practical next steps.

Your career does not have to be perfectly planned. It just needs your attention.

INSIDE THIS GUIDE

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01	Mindset for Career Growth Shift the way you think about growth and progress.
02	Know Yourself Identify your strengths, values and interests.
03	Set Clear Goals Turn a career idea into something you can act on.
04	Build Your Skills Choose practical ways to keep learning.
05	Create Opportunities Make yourself visible and open doors.
06	Stay Motivated Keep moving when progress feels slow.
07	Your Action Plan Put your ideas into a simple plan.

A QUICK THOUGHT

Career growth can mean a promotion, a new skill, a better workplace, a career change — or simply becoming more confident in what you already do.

You get to decide what “growth” means for you.

01 — MINDSET FOR CAREER GROWTH

Growth starts with how you see your own ability to learn, adapt and improve.

A growth mindset means you can:

■	See challenges as opportunities to learn.
■	Believe skills can be developed over time.
■	Treat mistakes as information, not a final judgment.
■	Stay curious and open to feedback.
■	Focus on progress instead of comparing your timeline with someone else's.

WHEN I FEEL STUCK...

What is actually stopping me right now?

What is one small thing I could try?

■ *You do not have to have it all figured out. You just have to be willing to take the next useful step.*

02 — KNOW YOURSELF

The more you understand yourself, the easier it becomes to make career choices that feel right.

MY STRENGTHS

What am I naturally good at? What do people often ask me for help with?

1. _____ 2.
- _____ 3.
- _____

MY VALUES

What matters to me in a work environment?

1. _____ 2.
- _____ 3.
- _____

MY INTERESTS

What do I enjoy learning about or doing — even outside of work?

1. _____ 2.
- _____ 3.
- _____

■ *Look for the overlap between your strengths, values and interests. That overlap can tell you a lot.*

03 — SET CLEAR GOALS

A goal becomes easier to act on when you make it specific and small enough to start.

Instead of: “I want to grow my career.”

Try: “I want to become stronger in _____ by _____, so I can _____.”

MY CAREER GOAL

What do I want to achieve?

WHY DOES IT MATTER TO ME?

WHAT WOULD PROGRESS LOOK LIKE?

Think about a result you could actually see or measure.

MY FIRST SMALL STEP

What can I do this week?

04 — BUILD YOUR SKILLS

You do not need to learn everything. Start with skills that connect directly to where you want to go.

WAYS TO BUILD YOUR SKILLS

■	Take a short course, workshop or certification.
■	Learn from your current job — ask, observe and get involved.
■	Find a mentor or learn from people you admire.
■	Read books, listen to podcasts or follow trusted creators.
■	Practice through real projects or side activities.
■	Ask for feedback and use it to improve.

SKILLS I WANT TO DEVELOP

1. _____	2. _____
_____	3. _____

CREATE OPPORTUNITIES

Sometimes career growth comes from being visible and willing to raise your hand.

■	Update your CV/resume or portfolio.
■	Tell someone you trust what kind of opportunity you are looking for.
■	Volunteer for a project that gives you useful experience.
■	Connect with people in the field you want to explore.

05 — STAY MOTIVATED

Career growth is rarely a straight line. Some seasons are about moving forward; others are about learning, recovering or simply staying steady.

WHEN PROGRESS FEELS SLOW, REMEMBER:

■	Small progress still counts.
■	You are allowed to change your mind.
■	Someone else's timeline is not your deadline.
■	Learning something new is progress, even when nobody sees it yet.
■	Rest is not the opposite of ambition.

A BETTER QUESTION

Instead of asking, "Why am I not where I want to be yet?" try asking:

"What is one thing I can do from where I am today?"

YOUR ACTION PLAN

Choose up to three priorities. Keep them realistic.

MY GOAL	NEXT STEP	BY WHEN?
1.		
2.		
3.		

YOU GOT THIS. ■

You do not need a five-year plan to make progress. One thoughtful step can be enough for today.

A better career is built one decision, one skill and one small step at a time.