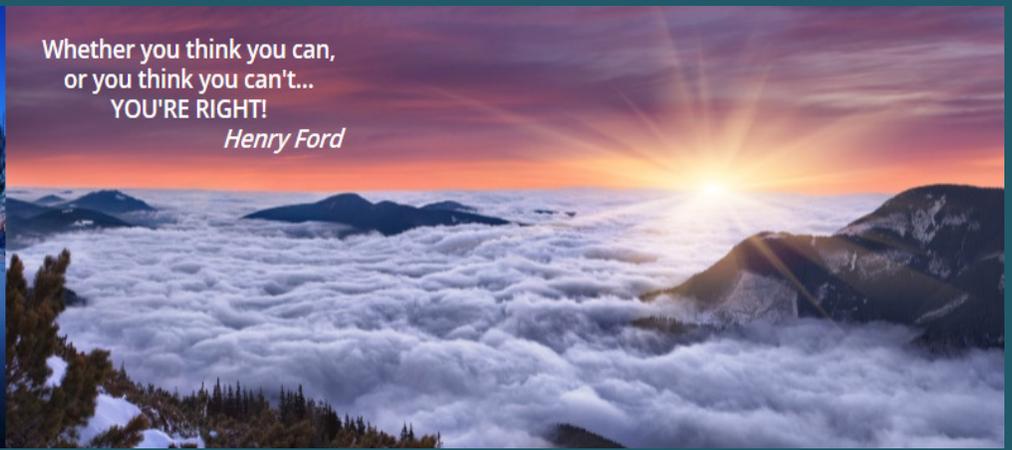




Whether you think you can,
or you think you can't...
YOU'RE RIGHT!
Henry Ford



How To Decide Your Next Career Move

The average person can change their career up to seven times in their adult life but this does not necessarily mean changing from one industry to another.

A change from one company to another is also considered a career change. I believe this is the main reason why a lot of people stay stuck in jobs they do not enjoy going to.



If you are at a point in your career where you need a change either because you are not happy where you are or you have reached a dead end then you need to ask yourself this question...

Why do I want to change my current job?

Be totally honest with yourself because you will only fool yourself and may find you have to ask yourself the same question soon at your new job.



Reasons for change could...

- You're unhappy at your current job.
- You want to earn more money.
- You want promotion.
- You want to improve your skills.
- You want different working hours.
- You want to start your own business.

Whatever the reason is, make sure you are brutally honest with yourself because this will be the basis on what you start looking for.

Once you have the answer to the question, ask yourself one more question...

If.....changed I would you be happy where you are?

Fill in the gap based on the answer to the first question. For example...*If my salary increased by 10% I would be happy where I am as I do enjoy my job but find I am financially strained.*

If you are able to answer this question then work out if you could do something to make this happen. If you can then...TAKE ACTION!

If you do not believe any change would make you stay then it is time to do some research. Find out what is out there based on what you are looking for. Get the word out, send your CV over and over and over.

I know it is not motivating to not receive any response or to be told "No" but think of it this way...

Every NO brings you closer to YES!

Don't give up because it is normally at the time you give up that something was about to change.

Whatever the case is, make a decision then follow it through with action.

Thoughts become action plans and actions deliver results!



If you fail to plan, then you plan to fail so make sure you have a plan of action in place to ensure you succeed in finding what you are looking for.

If you however find yourself in a position where you no longer have a job, be careful not to be too picky if it takes too long to get what you want. Make a conscious decision to accept something less provided it is a stepping stone to where you want to be.