

1. Making links

Australian blueprint for career development

Career Management Competency											
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Learning intention

Students understand that their natural abilities can be developed into valuable skills through training and experience.

Success criteria

Students can:

- identify their natural abilities and skills
- state which jobs these abilities and skills might suit.

Resources

- YouTube videos:
 - [Event planning](#)
 - [Firefighter](#)
 - [Drone operator](#)
- Worksheet – Making Links

Classroom organisation

- Whole class
- Individual

Preparation

- Access to internet as whole class.
- Print Making Links worksheet for each student.

Activity 1

- Help students to develop an accurate understanding of natural abilities and skills.

Natural abilities: having the potential or capacity to do something well. Abilities are regarded as innate (born with or natural).

Skills: being able to do something well through experience, practice, training and study.

- Students consider their own natural abilities and skills, identifying 2 of each to record on the worksheet.

Activity 2

- Discuss examples of how people have used their natural abilities to develop and grow their skills.
- Students consider people they know, for example, successful sportspeople, entrepreneurs, scientists and musicians.

Activity 3

- Introduce the worksheet attached.
- View the videos, pausing after each one to discuss and record their responses in the table.

Reflection

- Students identify which job appealed to them the most.
- Students discuss with a partner the natural abilities and personal attributes they identified that would help them develop the skills necessary to be successful in this job, or another job of interest.

Worksheet: Making links

When it comes to completing a task and performing well, **skills** are important.

Consider why it is important to be able to identify your natural abilities and skills when setting goals and making plans for your future.

Complete each table while watching the 3 videos.

Job	Skills	Natural abilities	Preferred school subjects
Event planner			
Firefighter			
Drone operator			

Identify your natural abilities that could develop into the skills necessary to be successful in one of these or a different job.

Natural abilities	Skills	Job these may suit