

Human Resources specialist and educator - Robin Henry, (Age – over 50)

Q1: What is your current job/career?

Human resources specialist and educator.

Q2: Why did you choose your job/career? - did you have a plan? - what resources if any did you use?

I like working with people, for people and about people. Yes, I had a broad plan that evolved and changed as life went by. For example, I wanted a career in HR Management, but the first great opportunity was in VET teaching; I later taught HR Management!

Q3: How would you like your job/career to develop and what do you need to do to make the change?

I'm at the end of my working life so I don't need further career development. But looking back, I can say that every step I took led me to where I am now, which is where I wanted to be. The universe has a way of providing what we really want deep down, to what we aspire. Even though the paths we take seem totally different from what we need, eventually they lead us to our goals.

Q4: When you were a child, what did you want to be when you grew up?

A police officer. I achieved that goal at 22 and after 10 years or so realised that I needed to move on to Human Resources.

Q5: What challenges do you need to overcome to "get the life you love"?

I left school at grade 10 so was undereducated. I returned to evening matriculation classes at 30 when I had a wife and new son and matriculated in two years. Since then I have spent many years learning a wide range of topics in education, teaching, management, computing and so on. Today I hold a Master's degree, two Bachelor's degrees, a Diploma of Teaching (TAFE), a Graduate Certificate, and a number of other lesser awards. The message is, if you really want something, go get it. Nothing is outside one's reach if you persist.
