



# NATIONAL CAREER DEVELOPMENT WEEK

"Career development – making career choices easier!"

## Factsheet - Where do you want to be in 5 years?

### This is a dreaming exercise

The answers to the following questions are designed to help you focus on your interests and on what motivates you.

Directions – answer each of the questions honestly. Write down what you want to do, not what you think you should do, or what someone else wants for you.

1. If you had the time and money to study or learn anything at all, what would it be?
2. If you could have any job and be qualified to do it, what would it be?
3. When you were little, what did you dream about doing? What seemed appealing about that job?
4. What are your favourite subjects? Why?
5. What are you good at?
6. How would other people describe your strengths, likes, and dislikes?
7. What gives you feelings of satisfaction or pride?
8. What issues do you feel strongly about?
9. Describe three things you've done that you remember enjoying the most. What, specifically, did you enjoy about them?
10. Finish this sentence: "I won't feel I've really accomplished what I wanted to, until I ..."
11. Close your eyes and imagine a typical day at your "dream job". Write down as many details as possible: What exactly are you doing? What skills are you using? What does your work environment look like? Are you working alone or with other people? Do you use tools? Do you wear a uniform? What do you like about this job?

Now review your answers and look for patterns. Use these answers to research jobs using the Job Guide [www.jobguide.deewr.gov.au](http://www.jobguide.deewr.gov.au) looking for a career that matches your "dream job". The Job Guide will also help you to decide what training you need.