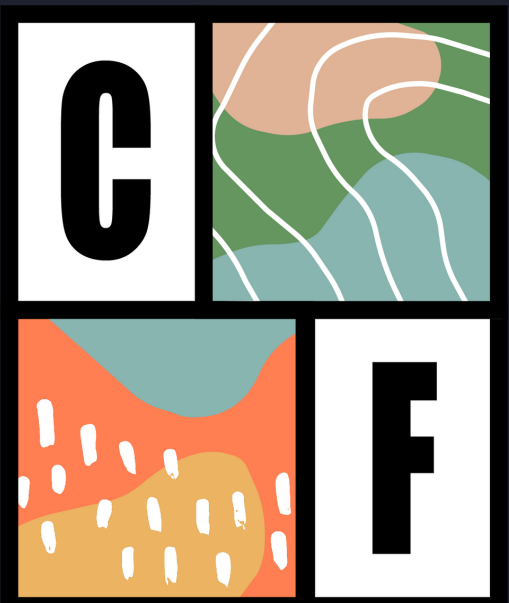




# WORK EXPERIENCE



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Work experience is really important to help you develop useful skills as you progress in your career, as well as learn more about the sort of jobs you want to go into.

At the moment, it is incredibly difficult to find work experience and employers will be aware of this. However, that doesn't mean that there aren't other ways to build on your skills: see our list of ways to build your experience!



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## What To Do When You Have Missed Out On Work Experience?

Though different jobs will require different skills, there are certain skills which employers look for, and these are called **transferable skills**.

There are many transferable skills, but the most sought after ones are;

- Communication
- Teamwork
- Resilience
- Creative Thinking
- Organisation



There are many ways in which you can develop your transferable skills, so if you'd like to learn more, head over to our Skills Stall

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## Social Action

Social action involves using practical action to create positive change. This can include campaigning, fundraising, helping other people and helping the environment.

Make a mind map of solutions to solve problems in your community or school. Get involved in school council. Raise awareness for an issue you are passionate about through social media, or become a volunteer.

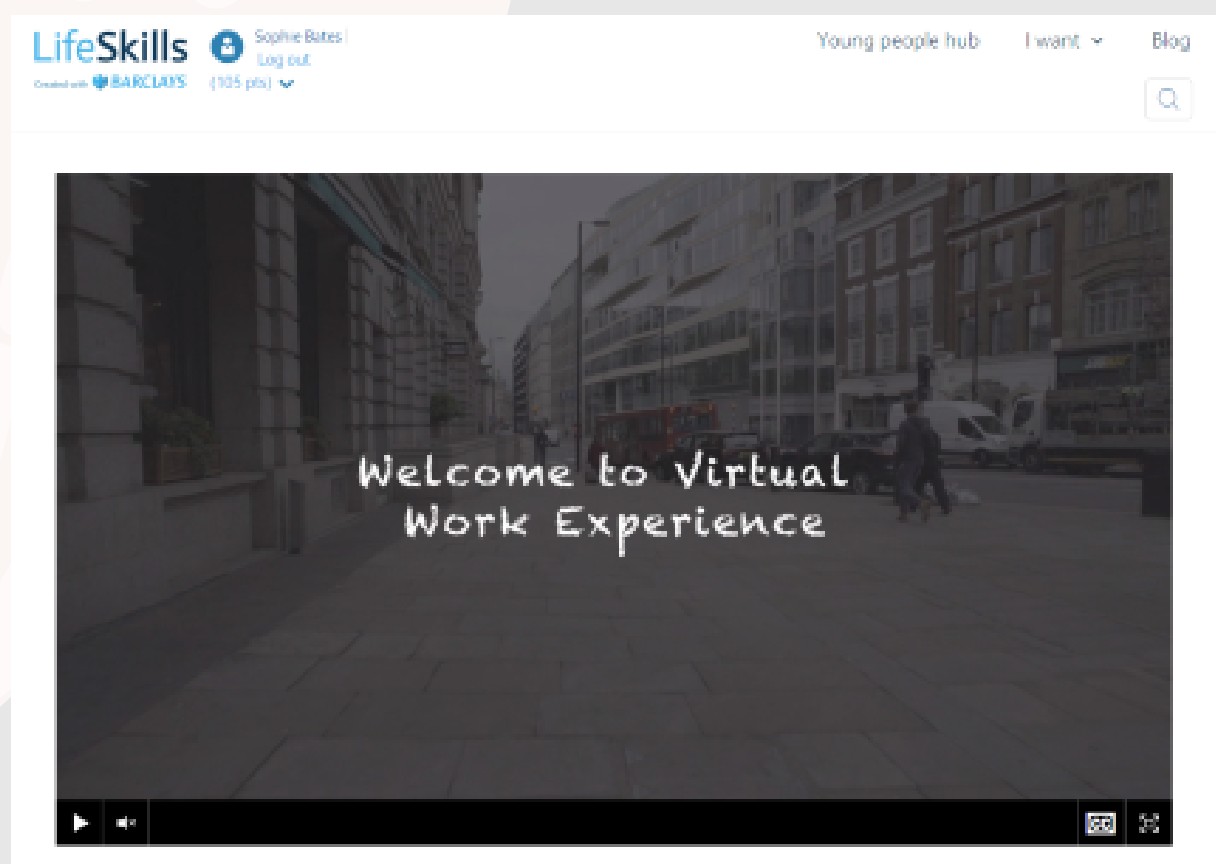
## Life Experience

How we manage life experience can also improve our skill set. You will have improved and developed lots of new skills whilst living through lockdown, such as time management and working independently.

Learn a new skill. Get involved in a local club for your local sport or hobby. Have a think about how your responsibilities at home can show key employability skills.

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## Virtual Work Experience



Virtual work experience gives you a unique opportunity to gain work experience in a company that you might not normally get access to, whilst developing the essential skills you might need.

**Barclays Life Skills** provides an overview of what it is like to have a first day of work experience (at a digital transformation agency) as well as signposting you to other resources which will help you to deal with situations you may come across in the workplace.

