Career Decisions

Recommended Books

The following books are recommended to support you with your career transition.

“Change Your Job, Change Your Life: Careering and Re-Careering in the New Boom/Bust Economy” by Ron Krannich (2004)
Here's the book that tells it like it really is from the job search trenches. Now in the new 9th edition, this highly acclaimed blockbuster represents a rare combination of analysis, synthesis, predictions, and practical advice for job seekers from all walks of life.

“Career Change- Everything You Need to Know To Meet New Challenges and Take Control of Your Career” by David Helfand (1999)
Those looking for a new career direction will find reassuring advice in this upbeat guide—from overcoming obstacles, to adapting to change, to assessing a new employer.

“Do What You Are: Discover the Perfect Career for You Through the Secrets of Personality Type” by Paul D. Tieger and Barbara Barron-Tieger (2007)
Already a classic in the genre, Do What You Are has helped hundreds of thousands of people find truly satisfying work. Do What You Are introduces Personality Type - how you process information, make decisions and interact with the world around you, and shows you which of the 16 types describes you best. It lists dozens of occupations that are popular with people of your type. Then, using workbook exercises and real-life examples to highlight the strengths and pitfalls of each personality type, it shows you step by step how to use your unique strengths to customize your job search, ensuring the best results in the shortest period of time.

“Great Jobs for Everyone 50+: Finding Work That Keeps You Happy and Healthy ... And Pays the Bills” by Kerry Hannon (2012)
Aimed at workers aged 50+ looking for a new job—whether they have been laid off, taken early retirement, need supplemental income, or want to pursue an encore career—Great Jobs for Everyone 50+ is the definitive guide to finding lasting financial security, and personal and professional fulfillment. Opportunities abound—the trick is knowing where to look and what to expect. Whether readers are interested in trying
jobs they've long dreamed of doing, or just want something with flexible hours that brings in a little extra income, this book covers all the options.

“The Pathfinder: How to Choose or Change Your Career for a Lifetime of Satisfaction and Success” by Nicholas Lore (2012)

This classic bestseller is THE career-design bible for college graduates and midlife career-changers alike. Now fully revised and updated for the twenty-first century! Based on break-through techniques developed by Rockport Institute, an innovative and award-winning career-counseling network that has changed the lives of hundreds of thousands of people, The Pathfinder offers invaluable advice and more than 100 self-tests and diagnostic tools that will help you choose an entirely new career—or view a current job from a new, more positive perspective.


"Career Match" is a one-of-a-kind guide that uses the author's revealing 10 minute self-assessment to help people discover their ideal work. Featuring in-depth chapters for each personality type, the book shows readers how to find a career that fits their passion and personality, and then shows them how to get it. It is an invaluable resource for those in need of direction, whether they're seeking a new path, or trying to confirm that they're already on the right one.


Cindy Fox was a waitress; now she’s a pilot. Peter Johnson was a truck driver; now he’s a dairy farmer. Tina Forbes was a struggling artist; now she’s a successful one. Alan Rizzo was an editor; now he’s a bookstore owner. What they have in common—and what you can share—are Barbara Sher’s effective strategies for making real changes in your life. This human, practical program puts your vague yearnings and dreams to work for you—with concrete results. You’ll learn how to: Discover your strengths and skills, turn your fears and negative feelings into positive tools, diagram the path to your goal—and map out target dates for meeting it, chart your progress day by day, create a support network of contacts and sources, and use a buddy system to keep you on track.