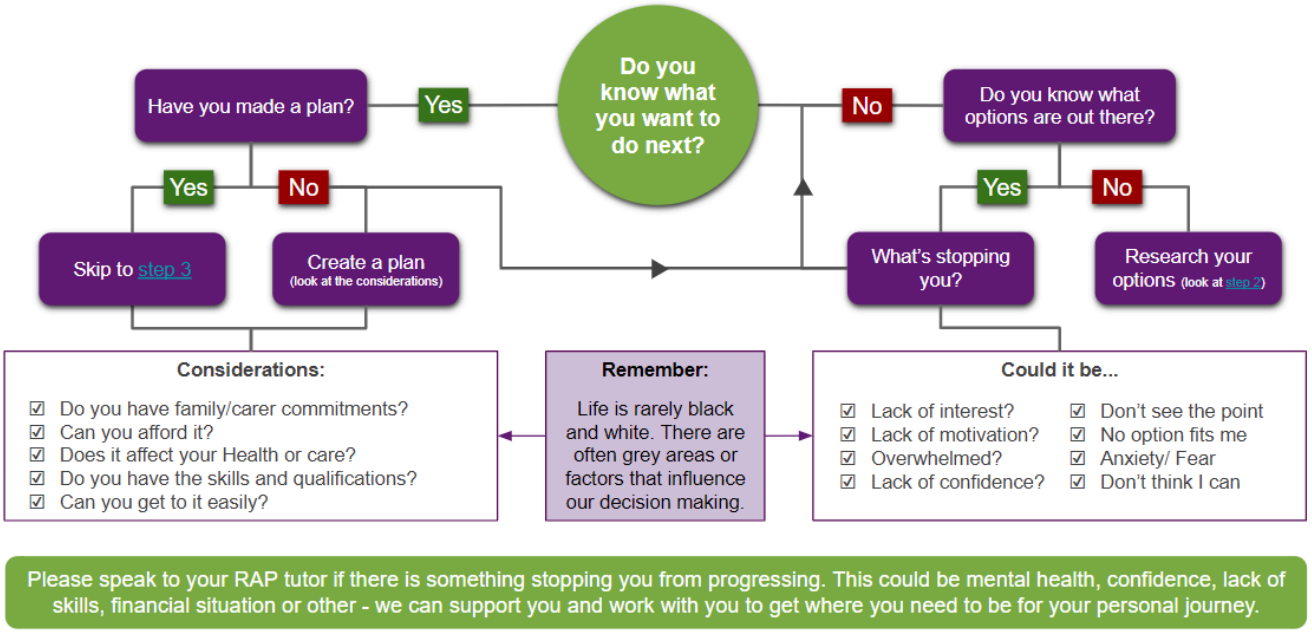
College next steps guide

Step 1: Think about what you could do after college.



What can you do to help you make decisions?

- Creating pro and con lists
- Talking to friends and family
- Asking experts
- Researching online and offline
- Understanding your fears
- Focusing on what will bring you joy
- Understanding your needs
- Looking into different options
- Working on things that set you back
- Setting short-term and long-term goals

Helpful websites

- What are my options?
- National careers Service - take a skills assessment and find out more
- How to Set Goals For Yourself
- UCAS - try careers quizzes and searches for apprenticeships and uni courses
- Whatuni: Compare the Best University Degree Courses UK
- Time Management Tips

Step 2: What are some of your choices?

It is important to progress in a way that suits you and your personal needs. Remember, it's your future! Don't feel pressured into an option because it is what is expected, what your friends are doing or what your parents want. Push yourself, but make sure you are going in the right direction for you.

Another course

- Gain more knowledge
- Diversified career options
- Flexible to circumstances
- Time to decide career path
- Comfortable setting

Apprenticeship

- Earn while you learn
- On-the-job training
- Gaining experience
- Gaining a qualification
- Structure/ support system

University

- Experienced lecturers
- Educational setting/ system
- Gaining a qualification
- Independence
- Experience living alone

Job

- Earning a consistent wage
- Ability to move out
- Routine and structure
- Learning skills for career
- Gain experience

Some other options could include:

- Distance Learning
- Gap year
- Travelling
- Volunteering

But, be realistic. Can you afford this? Do you have the savings? Are your parents/carers willing or able to support this?

Step 3: What are you going to do to get there?

- Develop my skills
- Research
- Get some advice
- Refine my options
- Create a list
- Finalise my decision
- Set some goals
- Work out what's worrying you
- Create a plan

Step 4: Get some advice!

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