

5 WORK SKILLS BUSINESS WILL GIVE YOU



COMMERCIAL AWARENESS



In class: You'll learn about different kinds of business and develop an understanding of the business environment and its impact on individual companies.

At work: Many employers seek out people with business savvy who understand how their work relates to the commercial environment they operate in.

Career paths: Management accountant, retail buyer, stockbroker

CRITICAL THINKING



In class: You'll learn how to methodically analyse data, selecting and interpreting relevant details in context to assess the health of a company.

At work: Critical thinking enables us to systematically reach accurate, objective judgements, vital in fields such as engineering, medicine and technology.

Career paths: Civil engineer, medical consultant, software developer

DECISION MAKING



In class: You'll learn how to consider different factors – like data, ethics and available resources – when making business decisions.

At work: Most jobs require decision making but some – such as in logistics or management – are based on the ability to make good decisions.

Career paths: Digital marketer, entrepreneur, supply chain manager

PEOPLE SKILLS



In class: You'll learn about techniques managers use to coordinate staff as well as the importance of relationships between colleagues and customers.

At work: In client-facing roles such as recruitment consultancy or customer service, the ability to strike up a rapport is vital.

Career paths: Customer service agent, recruitment consultant

TIME MANAGEMENT



In class: Studying requires you to juggle coursework projects alongside revision, and in business you will learn why employers value this ability.

At work: Every job will require you to hit deadlines for your boss or client and is essential for freelancers working for customers.

Career paths: Car mechanic, journalist, public relations officer

