

CAREER COMPARISON WORKSHEET - SAMPLE

After you've done some research, this worksheet can help you compare different career options to see which might be the best fit.

- + List each career option in the column on the left.
- + Score the five categories for each career out of 20 and add your notes. Total the scores in the final column.
- + Compare the totals for each career option and note which ones are the highest and lowest.

Career Option	Alignment with my career motivators ___/20	Fit with my experience and education ___/20	Fit with other factors: location, salary, etc. ___/20	Prospects for working in this career ___/20	My gut feeling about how this career fits me ___/20	Rating total ___/100
Environmental planner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15/20 • May spend too much time in an office 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10/20 • I have no experience and might need to get an MSc 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18/20 • Very flexible right now. Salary has dropped after recession 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12/20 • Mostly contract work and the market is tight right now 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15/20 • This is likely a long-term goal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 70/100
Environmental educator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18/20 • Work with environmental issues and groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18/20 • I've worked with youth at recreation centres and my BSc is enough. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12/20 • Salary is lower and i might have to move elsewhere. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15/20 • Prospects are looking up. Private sector is hiring. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17/20 • Seems fun, and I could start now 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 80/100
Environmental officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12/20 • Not sure about the role as a law enforcer. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18/20 • I have the experience and education for an entry-level job. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15/20 • Work can be seasonal and I might have to move elsewhere 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16/20 • No gov't postings right now, some w/ resource companies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12/20 • Need to do more research - speak to people in this career 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 73/100