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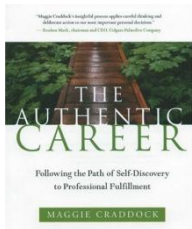
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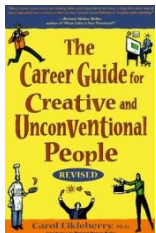
Summer Reads

Summer is often when we think of long lazy days at the beach reading our favorite books. SET has some job search books you might want to pack along with your towel and sunglasses:



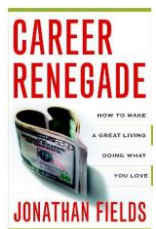
The Authentic Career

By: Maggie Craddock
Learn the difference between what you **truly want** from your career – and what you have been taught you **should want**.



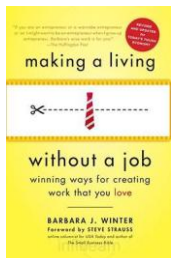
The Career Guide for Creative and Unconventional People

By: Carol Eiklebery
Choose from a variety of exercises to help guide you through a job search. Explore eight different routes to employ your creativity.



The Career Renegade

By: Jonathan Fields
Discover hundreds of resources, strategies, case studies and computer sites that will allow you to take almost any passion and turn it into a source of serious income.



Making a Living Without a Job

By: Barbara J. Winter
Figure out how to develop several sources of income. Complete insight-provoking interactive tests, self-evaluations, charts and checklists and many true stories about people who are successfully self-employed.

Job Search for Sunny Days

Don't be tempted to take the summer off just because the sun and beach are calling your name. Employers do not stop hiring just because of a change in season. This may even be the best time to look, as employers may be short-handed due to staff vacations.

Continue contacting potential employers. Otherwise, the best jobs might already be gone when fall arrives. You don't want to lose either the momentum you've built up or the contacts you've acquired – just because the sun is shining.

Even if a job isn't offered immediately, summer can be an ideal time to get out and meet people who are less stressed and time-harried. But please – no cut-offs or flip flops. Your wardrobe still needs to look professional.

Gestion de Carrière Radicale

Gestion de Carrière Radicale de Sally Hogshead, est une liste de « 100 vérités pour relancer votre emploi, votre carrière et votre vie ». Ce livre n'est pas typique de son genre. Normalement, la plupart des livres qui parlent de recherche d'emplois le font sous l'angle d'astuces pour favoriser la bonne marche à suivre. Cette liste de « vérités » a pour but d'inviter à la réflexion. La plupart de ces « vérités » ne sont pas aussi radicales qu'on pourrait penser; mais elles sont importantes à considérer. Voici quelques exemples:

Numéro 19 : Avoir un emploi minable n'est pas votre faute, mais le conserver, ça oui.

Numéro 46 : L'Argent vient après le bon travail, pas l'inverse.

Numéro 62 : La panique continuelle tue l'innovation.

Numéro 87 : Un profil d'emploi n'est pas un profil de soi.

Venez voir la liste complète dans notre centre de ressources.

Summer Movies



The Pursuit of Happyness*

Faced with no money, no home, a failing marriage and no luck in selling his bone-density scanners, a struggling salesman takes on a job as a stock broker with no pay for 6 months in hopes of securing a better future. A true biography.



Gifted Hands*

A frustrated young boy with problems in school overcomes the obstacles in his life to become a world-renowned neurosurgeon. A true story.



Departures*

The Academy Award winning story of an out-of-work cellist who returns to his hometown to work in the funeral business. Thought-provoking and beautifully filmed. Japanese with subtitles.

*Borrow these for free at the Nanaimo public library.

Returning to School?

September is quickly approaching. Some questions you may want to ask yourself as you prepare for fall learning are:

What do I want to study?

Your Employment Consultant can refer you to career assessments to help determine what to study.

Are there any pre-requisites?

Learn what they are and how to obtain them.

How will my education be financed?

Make an appointment with an Employment Consultant to discuss your options.

Who will hire me when I graduate?

Conduct some labour market research to improve your chances of finding a job when you graduate.

It's not the brains that matter most, but that which guides them: the character, the heart, generous qualities, progressive ideas. ~ Fyodor Dostoyevsky

SET Your Target

Feeling frustrated? Starting to feel like a hamster running in circles and getting nowhere? Want to laugh your way to your next job? Our two-week SET Your Target program may be just what you need to put some fun and energy back into your path to employment.

Participants have the opportunity to learn and grow through a range of lively, interactive activities. These include a values auction, interview tips, current labour market trends and effective self-marketing skills as well as ways to revamp your resume and target your cover letter to compel employers to pick up the phone and call you.



Our dynamic facilitator, Margie, helps clients gain valuable insight from the employer's perspective. This is like a window into your prospective boss's mind. See what employers are really looking for **before** you go knocking on the door.

If what you need is inspiration, self-confidence and some positive encouragement in a supportive and safe environment, contact your Employment Consultant to register for the upcoming SET Your Target sessions: Aug 9-20, Sep 13-24 or Oct 12-22. Register early as each group is limited to 12 participants.

Gabriola Island Outreach Service

1st and 3rd Tuesdays each month
12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

People for a Healthy Community (use back door)
675 North Rd, Gabriola Island

Job Search Website

www.becomed.com

Keep track of your job search! With **Becomed** you can record your applications, resumes and cover letters, track which job applications you have sent, how far they have advanced, and what your next steps are. **Becomed** lets you keep track of where you are in the job search process and allows you to set reminders and to-do items for the future, such as interview follow-ups and thank-you emails to employers and the people who referred you to them.

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