



How to have a new career in 3 months

An assessment of your skills and qualifications can have you in a new occupation within three months!

Working in a job in which you are unsatisfied can be tortuous. In worst-case situations the idea of having to go into work the next morning can be enough to make some people physically ill! Many times, however, an assessment of your skills and qualifications and little preliminary footwork can have you in a new career within three months!

For most, the possibility of leaving a particular job demands that you first find a new job. Leaving without securing a new job could be economically disastrous in fact! You could, of course, more than likely find a new job within the same career in which you are currently working. More than likely, however, while that job would result in a change of office and a change of the people with whom you are working, you would probably continue to do most of the same job duties in one form or another.

For some, simply changing jobs but remaining in the same occupational career wouldn't be enough to translate into a satisfying work experience. In just a few months they would be back into the same unhappy situation that they were in before. Instead of jumping haphazardly from one job to the next just to get out of your existing situation, carefully calculate just what it is that you want from a new job. More than likely more money will be part of that answer but factors such as the amount of free time you will have, where a job might be located, and the overall purpose and ideology of the employer all enter into these answers as well.

Set a deadline for the amount of time that you will remain in your old job before making the change. Use this time to sum up your skills and qualifications. Fine-tune your resume and make a list of all your contacts. Start scanning job listings and talking to people in the field that you would like to enter. If you don't know people in that field make it your job to meet them!

Join professional organizations and maybe even fitness spas and charitable organizations where the people that work in the field you are targeting spend their free time. Spend some time in online forums reading the posts to equate you with the current issues in this occupation. Join in on a few of the discussions. Make yourself known!

Socializing with people that work in your chosen occupational field will not only allow you to decide if this is indeed the field for you, it will allow you inside information on what jobs are available and the best way to go about securing one of those jobs. It might even allow you to decide that the best approach is to become self-employed in that particular field.

Tying up the loose ends at your existing job is just as important as feeling out your new job prospects. Get your office in order. Make sure that your files are organized and the status of each project clarified so that the next person that occupies your position can easily assume your



job duties. Take care not to alienate your existing employers. There is no logic in burning bridges behind you! At some point in the future you may need to turn back to those bridges! Resolve disagreements with coworkers and take any other steps that are needed to have people in your old profession remember you in a positive light.

No one has to be stuck in a job in which they are unhappy. Just decide that you are going to make a change. Move slowly and purposefully, however. Assess your skills, qualifications, and expectations as well as the prospective occupation. Optimize your interactions with employers and coworkers at your existing job and hone new contacts that might be beneficial in allowing you to move into a new job. With a little foresight and planning practically anyone can have a new career within three months!