Worksheet
Choosing Senior School Subjects

This worksheet will help you:

- Consider how to choose your senior school subjects
- Create an action plan to support your decision making

Here is a video describing how you can consider your options for subject selection, applying to students from all states:

How to choose your HSC studies (*8:43*) Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q6f_Dygrsbc

State-based information:

ACT/NSW –	UAC's steps to uni for Year 10 students
VIC –	VTAC Year 10 Guide
SA/NT –	Tertiary Entrance for SACE/NTCET
WA –	TISC'S WACE University Admission
TAS –	Tasmanian Government Dept. of Education Guides
QLD –	QTAC's Year 10 Guide

Tips on choosing subjects:

- Choose subjects that interest you
- Choose subjects you are good at
- How do you learn best? Would an academic or practical course suit you?
- Consider which subjects, if any, are relevant for the types of careers that interest you
- If you are trying to decide between two subjects remember there are some subjects that can be taken without prior knowledge in Year 12

Don't choose a subject because:

- Your friends are choosing it
- You want to be strategic with a subject that scales up
- Your parents tell you to
- You have heard it's easy

No idea what you want to do after secondary school?

Don't worry! A mix of subjects you like and are good at will keep a range of career routes open.

Know what you want to do in the future?

Check if there are subject requirements for a specific course or career you are interested in. These may vary for very similar courses at different universities.

Now list the senior school subjects you are considering below:

Action planning

Talk to a range of people for different points of view and to gain the information you need.

- Ask your teachers, tutors or a careers adviser for advice
- Discuss your choice with your family
- Attend subject assemblies or evenings at school
- Read the information your school gives you

Now list below the steps you need to take before you firm up your choices.