The Future is You

University: What’s it all about?
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• By the end of the workshop we’d like you to understand what a university is and be confident in what your options are when you are older.
What is University?

Activity:
Watch this short video, and then we'll explore a bit more what we mean by the terms Higher Education and University

UCAS short intro to HE: [https://youtu.be/Of4_6antgN4](https://youtu.be/Of4_6antgN4)
What do you already know? 

What do you already know about the following terms?

University
Higher Education
Degree
College
Apprenticeship

We're going to explore what these words mean in this workshop
Secondary School

College, University or in employment

College or in employment

Secondary School

Primary School

GCSEs

Level 2

BTEC Level 3, OCR & other

Advanced Apprenticeship

Level 3

A-Levels

Higher Diploma

Level 4+

Higher Education:
NVQ 4+, HNC, Foundation Degree, HND, Degree Apprenticeship, Degree

Most academic

Most work-based

Routes through education
True or False?

- You attend the University in your hometown
- You wear a uniform at University
- Everyone must go to University once they’ve finished school
- You call teachers (lecturers) by the first name
- There are clubs similar to after school clubs at University e.g. football or debating clubs
True or False?

You attend the University in your hometown FALSE
You call teachers (lecturers) by their first name TRUE
Everyone must go to University once they’ve finished school FALSE
You wear a uniform at university FALSE
There are clubs similar to after-school clubs at University e.g. football or debating clubs TRUE
Campus Tour of the University of Northampton

What do you think a University Campus looks like?

What do think is the same to school?
What is different?

https://www.northampton.ac.uk/360-Tour/
What subjects can you study at University?

There are many subjects you can study at University. Look at the following slide and decide which of these are real Degree courses that you can study.
Which of these are real courses at University?

- Baking
- Horses
- Time
- Circus Skills
- Floristry
- Computer Games
- Puppetry
- Teaching
- Surfing
- Farming
- Harry Potter
- Being a Music DJ
- Cruise Ships
- Acting
- Leather
- Shoes
- Drawing & Painting
- Fashion
The answer is...

You can study all of these topics at University!

• All of these are real topics that you can study at University.
• However, one of these isn't a full course and can only be studied as part of a Degree... Which one is it?

• Harry Potter Studies. This isn't a full Degree title, BUT it is a topic (Module) you can study as part of an Education Studies Degree.
• The following slide gives you the full title of each Degree course.
Baking Science and Technology
Horses = Equestrian (Sports Coaching)
Time = Horology
Circus & Physical Theatre
Floristry & Floral Design
Computer Games Art
Puppetry Design
Teaching
Surf Science & Technology
Farm & Business Management

Harry Potter = a module within Education Studies
Music Production & DJ Practice
Cruise Management
Acting
Leather Technology
Shoes = Footwear & Accessories
Drawing & Painting = Illustration
Fashion
You have the power to choose

How hard you work.

How much effort you put in.

How easily you give up.

Opening yourself up to new opportunities.

Having a positive outlook and being the best that you can be.
So what courses can we study at University?

https://digital.ucas.com/search

UCAS course search. Try and find some of the courses available at University.

• Search for courses of subjects that you learn at school.
• Search for courses you've never heard of!
• What is the most unusual subject you can find?
• Have you heard of some of these towns and cities where the courses are based?

• Tell your partner!
Dream big. Work hard. Never stop believing that anything is possible.