

University Decision Quick Check

Ten questions to answer before choosing a degree



Answer honestly, on your own first. This takes ten minutes.

	yes	no
01 Can I explain why university is the right route for me, rather than merely the expected one?	☐	☐
02 Can I say what I am actually hoping to obtain from university?	☐	☐
03 Have I compared university with at least one specific alternative?	☐	☐
04 Have I investigated the course rather than relying on the university's overall reputation?	☐	☐
05 Do I understand the full financial commitment, including living costs and earnings foregone?	☐	☐
06 Have I considered the real trade-offs between leaving home and staying at home?	☐	☐
07 Do I know whether the qualification will be recognised if I later want to work abroad?	☐	☐
08 Have I considered how AI may change the tasks involved in the work, rather than simply labelling an entire profession safe or doomed?	☐	☐
09 Have the student and parent written down their views separately before discussing them?	☐	☐
10 Can I name the next piece of evidence I need before deciding?	☐	☐

If several answers are no, you have not failed the test. You have found the decision.



Where this leaves you

Write it down. A decision you cannot write down is not yet a decision.

The three questions I most need to answer

The evidence I will look for

The person or organisation I will ask

The date by which I will do it

What might cause me to change my mind

You do not need a plan for your whole life. You need a better way to decide what comes next.

University, Maybe? shows students and parents how to work through the full decision—whether to go, what to study, where to study and what the alternatives really offer.

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