



WebQuest

TIME ALLOCATED (described in teaching period of 40-minutes, i.e. 1 or 2 teaching periods):	2 Teaching Periods
TITLE OF THE WEBQUEST:	The artist in me!
INTRODUCTION	
<p>Art plays a driving role in our society. This form of communication allows individuals to transmit messages through varying art forms. This can allow us to reflect on the world around us. The arts seek to communicate ideas, thoughts, emotions, and feelings influenced by our vision of the world through media such as paintings, music, dance, literature, among many others.</p> <p>The arts encourage us to express our own creativity, discover ourselves, enhance self-esteem and develop self-concepts. Although, many women in STEAM pursue careers within the arts sector, it is important to understand the opportunities that are out there for you when following your career dreams. Pursuing a career in the arts can open your eyes to so many possibilities; such as;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Jobs in the arts sector● The excitement of new discoveries● Building individual identity● Enhancing critical thinking● Developing the ability to interpret the world around you	
TASKS	
<p>You have always been a lover of the arts. Literature, artwork, and compositions have fascinated you since you were young. You decide that there is nothing more that you would love to do than pursue a career within the arts sector. The deadline for your university application is around the corner and this will determine what you will study for the next four years. You think about the impact this will have on your life and begin to consider how important it is to develop a plan for your career. You know a little about career management, thanks to your career guidance counsellor in school. However, you know that you will need to do some research to develop a plan that you will follow to achieve your goals.</p> <p>You know that other people in your school year could also be facing a similar dilemma. You think it would be a great idea to make a blog about your experience and post it online. This could act as a guide for others who are in the same situation as you. You believe that this is also an important opportunity to encourage female participation in the arts sector and help women to contribute to the artistic fields that will define our society.</p>	



PROCESS AND RESOURCES

Step 1: Researching Women in the Arts

To start your research, it is important to learn more about women who have also pursued careers in the arts sector, in your country. You think that this would be a great premise to build your blog on. You know that success stories are a great motivator to not only yourself, but to others who will read your blog.

For information about **women in the arts**, click on the following links:

- [Famous Irish Women Artists](#)
- [Women in Irish Entertainment](#)
- [Irish Women who shaped Ireland through the Arts](#)

Step 2: Creating your Blog

Now that you know about famous Irish women who have shaped our culture through the arts, you feel inspired to start your journey in this field. Not only have these women greatly impacted the world around you, but they also have provided works that have influenced our history, culture, and traditions.

You want to feature a selection of women in your blog, to encourage others by their success. Your blog will need to be eye-catching, emotive, and thought-provoking. This way, those who read your blog can first discover the incredible stories and roles of women artists that you have collected.

For information on **how to create your blog**, follow the links below:

- [How to Start a Blog](#)
- [How to Make a Blog - Quick & Easy!](#)
- [Things to Consider when Starting a Blog](#)
- [Design Ideas for Your Blog](#)

Step 3: Career Management in The Arts

You have thought about how to make your blog stand out from the crowd, but now you need to think about how you can encourage others to think about their career in the arts sector. You decide to research the jobs in Ireland that are arts-related. You think that this component will be beneficial to readers of your blog, that like you, would like to manage a career in this industry.



For more information on **jobs in Ireland in the Arts Sector**, follow the links below:

- [Jobs and Internships in the Arts](#)
- [Examples of Jobs Available in the Arts Sector](#)
- [What can I do with an Arts or Humanities Degree?](#)
- [Pursuing a Career in Arts & Humanities](#)

Wow! There are so many avenues to pursue within the arts sector. Even you are surprised by the vast amount of varying careers that you could go after! Your research has not only indicated the different paths you could take within this field, but it has also opened your eyes to the many possibilities that you or your audience could take!

Step 4: Career Management in the Arts

You are prepared and confident that your blog will work to help you manage your own career but also act as a benchmark for others! You want to do some career planning first, and then give advice to others who may want to do the same. You know that career management is based on having an active management of your own professional career. Therefore, it incorporates both career planning and career development.

You decide to create the following template and fill it out based on your own career management ideas.

My Career Management	
What are my top 3 career goals?	
What is my 5 year plan?	
How can I remain relevant within my field?	
How can I further my abilities?	
How can I 'future-proof' my career?	

You found that the template encouraged you to define what you want to achieve through your career in the arts sector; but also how you can sustain your career to accomplish your goals. You decide to make a tip sheet that you will upload to your blog to encourage others to follow this process. You decide to conduct some research to gain ideas of how you can motivate others to think about their personal career management.

For information on **career management**, click on the following links:

- [Tips for Better Career Management](#)
- [Career Development Tips](#)
- [The Foundations of Career Management](#)

- [Career Development Advice](#)

From your research you think that your tip-sheet should feature some of the following. You hope that this will work to inspire others to develop their own career management plan. You include:


- Learn something new everyday
- Engage with others
- Maintain a good work-life balance
- Identify your skills and weakness
- Regularly update your career plan

Step 5: The Final Step


You feel confident to begin your new journey in the next steps of your career. Alongside this, you are inspired to encourage others to feel the same way through the words, tips and messages presented in your blog. As a final step, you decide to include a template of the *Career Model Canvas* that you stumbled across during your research. This tool is a great indicator of how you can identify, review, and develop your career plan.

Firstly, with the document below, make your own Career Model Canvas and fill out the sections with the information you have gathered in the previous steps of this WebQuest. You can use this resource to help you to kickstart your new start in your future career path!

In your own Career Model Canvas you will detail:

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CREATE YOUR OWN CAREER MODEL CANVAS



CAREER OR JOB TITLE:

<p>Key Partners (Networks)</p> <p><i>Include an overview of networks in your region, nationally and across Europe where you can access advice on this potential career.</i></p>	<p>Key Attributes (Self)</p> <p><i>List here the key personal attributes that you have, that are particularly useful for your new career. Describe who you are and what you can bring to this role.</i></p>	<p>Value Proposition (Strengths)</p> <p><i>List your key strengths, highlighting the skills and experiences that you can bring to this new career. Try to answer the question: 'What sets me apart from other candidates in this role?'</i></p>	<p>Soft Skills (Strengths)</p> <p><i>List here the soft skills (communication, teamwork, collaboration, etc.) that you have and identify how they can be used in this new career.</i></p>
<p>Key Values (Self)</p> <p><i>List here what is important to you in a career, and in life. List your intrinsic and extrinsic motivations, and state what your personal goals are for this new career.</i></p>		<p>Transferrable Skills (Strengths)</p> <p><i>List here the main transferrable skills that you have from other experiences and life roles. Include an example of how these skills can be applied in your new career.</i></p>	
<p>Revenue (Horizons)</p> <p><i>Research and summarise the salary potential of this role and estimate the opportunities for advancement in this sector for your own career.</i></p>		<p>Growth Potential (Horizons)</p> <p><i>Research and estimate the potential growth in this sector in your country, across Europe and globally.</i></p>	

Click on the following link to **develop and complete your personal Career Model Canvas**:



Your own Career Model Canvas:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1aYgXkS46qG7USVZCIWj4uY-uyDaSYi8/edit?usp=sharing&oid=102503783778476750214&rtpof=true&sd=true>

Well done! You can upload the template to your blog to help others to develop their own career model canvas. You think that this will motivate others to feel more confidence in their career development. Now, it's time to get sharing your blog!

EVALUATION

Topic	Knowledge	Skills	Attitudes
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Factual knowledge of sustainable employment in the Arts sector. • Factual knowledge of available programmes to support women in the Arts, on a national and EU-wide level. • Theoretical knowledge of personal attributes required for career success in this sector. • Theoretical knowledge of the importance of self-care, resilience and motivation when working in the Arts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss career options in Arts, in a national context. • Self-evaluate personal suitability to careers in this sector. • Self-assess skill deficits for a successful career in the Arts. • Discuss how to create value and monetise skills in the Arts. • Evaluate self-employment possibilities in the Arts. • Develop an education and career plan. • Research successful female role models in the Arts. • Solve challenges to build resilience when planning a career in the Arts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Willingness to assess one's own motivation to pursue a career in the Arts. • Awareness of the important role that women play in the Arts. • Openness to exploring career options in the Arts. • Willingness to share what has been learned with other female professionals in a network. • Openness to engaging in female networks in the Art sector. • Willingness to self-evaluate to identify skills and attributes needed to



succeed in
Artistic careers.

Let's talk about what you have learned:

- Did you find this activity to be a fun and entertaining way to raise awareness about career opportunities within the arts sector?
- Mention 3 new things you have learned about women in the arts in your country.
- Why do you think the participation of women in society is important?
- Do you think that this activity has been useful to help you plan your career prospects? Why? Why not?

CONCLUSION

Congratulations! Not only have you helped others learn about the arts, but you have also highlighted the contribution of women in this field in your country! Your efforts can help to encourage other women to achieve their STEAM dreams and goals! Well done!



“The arts and humanities teach us who we are and what we can be. They live at the very core of the culture of which we are a part.”

- **Ronald Reagan**