No one can predict the future, so when it comes to our careers, things have the possibility of changing. And that's ok! Here are five interesting career moves you should consider if you feel like the job you're in at the moment, is something you'd like to change.



Cyber Security

With so many of us enjoying the delights of the internet, we are putting more and more of ourselves onto the web. And although the internet may be fun, it does pose a threat, particularly for our personal information and that of a <u>brand</u>. This means, there's more of a need for security and protection to avoid being scammed or attacked by these anonymous criminals. Cyber Security is something that everyone now needs, and because it's something people need, there can be plenty of financial success within it, including plenty of career prospects.

It is possible to find entry-level cybersecurity positions, but most jobs will require a four-year bachelor's degree, along with further training like a masters. Entry-level jobs start at around \$55,000 with the top jobs over \$100,000-\$500,000.

Video Game Designer

The gaming industry is huge, and with the rise of eSports, the world of gaming is simply no longer a hobby anymore, it's an investment. A lot of gamers will spend a lot of their hard earned wages on the latest games, additional bonus features and merchandise relating to the game. With so much passion from the fans, the same passion can be said for those who design them. Video game design is something that would be a very fulfilling and creative role to have. And if you love games, well that's a plus!

Having a high school diploma or equivalent is a minimum, and that degree should be video game design or computer science. Obviously, a creative streak is important as it's all about creating characters and worlds from scratch. An average game designer will be on a salary of around \$89,000.

Wine Specialist

If you take a real interest in alcohol, then perhaps becoming a specialist in the field is something you'd be interested in. And no, a specialist title cannot be earned simply by trying all of the wines available down at your local bar. This role takes a lot more work and a considerable amount of financial investment to get the qualifications needed. Many of those going into the industry can become a Sommelier. You could get paid for being a wine snob, and you can train and develop your palette at schools that specifically focus on all things wine.

To become a wine specialist or sommelier, it usually requires a lot of training, with a financial investment into these courses. Becoming certified is what will be attractive when it comes to securing work. Wine specialists can earn around \$40,000 per year, with master sommeliers earning \$150,000.

Social Media Influencer

The online and digital world is carving out many careers for those of all ages and generations through social media, and <u>it's influencers</u>. Every day people are becoming viral sensations or celebrities in their own right thanks to platforms like YouTube and Instagram. And even though on the outside it might seem like very little work, some of these have become a master of all trade to get to where they are. Whether that's learning to edit videos or photos, scheduling their content on social media and pitching their ideas to brands.

With this career, you don't really need any qualifications, and any skills you need can be self-taught. The same goes for the salary in that it's limitless! The more work you put in, the bigger the rewards you'll reap.

Event Planning

Events will forever be needed, whether it's for someone's birthday or a corporate event to promote a launch of a product. Event planning is a broad business, and you can tailor it to whatever your interests may be. Whether that's bespoke celebrations or business-oriented networking events, there's something to suit everyone.

For event planners, the usual salary ranges from around \$53,000 to \$74,000. A bachelor's degree in hospitality, communications or public relations is ideal to hold an often enough, knowing the right people and networking within the industry is going to secure your regular work if going freelance.

So why not think about one of these career moves as the next chapter in <u>your own</u> <u>career?</u>