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‘**I don’t know**’ one often hears these words from youngsters who are confused about what to study and career paths to follow. Around 90% of the teenagers are confused, not having a proper guidance for their career and what to do?? Unaware of their potential and strengths.

It is very natural for a student in our country, to not know how to proceed. The goal of this book is to guide the students in choosing the right career after school and providing a lot of career options from which they can choose one, of their own interest. Now, let me ask you a question, What is your career? Forget about how you define this to others for now, and just think for a bit about how you define your career to yourself. What does it mean to you to have a career? Is it just your job? Is it something you do to make a living? Is it what you do for money?

Your career is the journey you take to reach your goals throughout your life including the progress and actions taken by a person throughout his lifetime. It is a lifelong process and defines where you will stand in your life. Wait a minute.... What are your goals in your life?? Are you still thinking, then believe me, you haven’t achieve your goals yet and there is a long way to go and you are unaware of what you are.... “You must remember that just completing any course does not guarantee a job, lifelong satisfaction, which comes only from within. One must look for different components that can add values to one’s profile. Besides, there are certain careers which are preferred over the others, as they are deemed to be more lucrative / respected / successful. As a result, many students sit for **entrance exams** under immense pressure. Other courses have high cut offs where students who are equally bright but have scored moderate marks get left behind.

Thus, their **course choice** leaves them struggling to barely manage the course which they have joined. Those who manage to pass the graduate course are again at crossroads as when they join the work force they are dissatisfied and unhappy. All this arises because the students do not do any **career planning** and choose institutes giving little weightage to the course or choose a course giving a little weightage to their own strengths and capabilities.

This is exactly why this book is determined to help the students so that they make right choices. The surest and shortest way to do this is by empowering each and every student by helping them discover their inherent talent, their unique aptitude combination, and thereby guiding them on to the right **career path** and helping them make the **RIGHT career choice**.

In addition to empowering and guiding the student towards the **right career**, this book is also dedicated to providing detailed information on various **career options**, courses, and **colleges in India** which help the students know a career in details and make an informed choice.

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START PLANNING YOUR CAREER FROM THIS DAY ONWARDS

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**“Journey of a thousand miles,
Begins With small steps”.**

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Dedicated:

To my Father

To my Country

And

To the Indian Students

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***“If you can dream it,
You can achieve it”.***

—Zig Zagler

Introductory Section

1.1. CHOOSING A CAREER?

Choosing a career is a big deal, it is an involved process that is based on a number of things, including your interests, skills, work-related values, and personality.

Here is what an individual says about his career dilemma.....

I personally went to college to be a high school teacher. I realized after a year and 1/2 that I hated it. I worked in a restaurant for a year, then taught tuitions for 2-3 months, then when I was 25 I stumbled into a marketing position and have been in marketing ever since (for 7 years). I wish I'd gotten a degree in marketing.... I am sure you would have come across instances like the one above; unfortunately we come to realize the mistakes we have made only in the later stages in life when situations cannot be changed or reversed. These kinds of mistakes when making a career choice can be avoided by simply following the two steps ::

Exploration: The most important factor in choosing the right career is exploration, the more we explore and understand ourselves and our likes and dislikes, the more likely we will be able to find a fulfilling career. Unfortunately, many put no more thought into choosing a career than they do in buying a new pair of Shoes. Unfortunately, you can't get a refund on 4 or 5 years of education if you decide you don't like it. Exploration are of different types but the one I am referring to is "**Exploration of oneself**", you need to find out everything that you can about your needs, desires, wants, aptitudes, talent and personal preferences. Once you have a solid grasp on this then you begin exploring ways in which you can put this special combination of attributes to beneficial use for yourself. Exploration of yourself should involve discussion with friends, analysis of your background and experiences you have had both professionally and personally; tests and quizzes that will help you better understand yourself; leaning to trust your feelings and instinct

Having explored yourself and optimized your resources don't wait "**Get out there and do something**", once you've found out more, and then you need to get yourself some experience.

1.2. MAKING THE RIGHT CAREER CHOICE

Choosing the right career might be one of the most important decisions that one makes. Being satisfied with what you do on a daily basis is the key to success and happiness.

Step 1: Know Yourself

1. There is no universal right career. What you have to find is what the right career is for YOU.
2. The first step in finding the right career for you is knowing yourself. While there are many ways to introspect and analyze yourself the most scientific way is to go by your hobbies, interests and aptitude. Build your hobby into your passion.
3. The right career assessment test can also measure your interests, aptitudes and personality traits and then integrates the results to provide you with the career best recommendations.

Step 2: Know Your Options

1. Once you have completed the test you will get a better understanding of what the right career choices are for you. The next step is to better understand these career options which are provided in the book.

Chapter Outline

- Choosing a Career?
- Making the Right Career Choice
- Career Planning? Importance of Career Planning
- Success Story: Inspiring Stories of Success
- Dealing with Failure
- Be Wise, Humble and Polite
- THE RIGHT CHOICE, The Letter to the Parents**
- Career Options after 10th Class
- Options Before Going to College Life
- Course Versus College Dilemma
- Right Career to Choose After 10+2

2. Learn the details about what it means to have a career in a particular field. What does a particular career option mean, what are the educational requirements, which colleges offer these courses, what are the job options once you get the degree?

How do you find out all this information?

- This book will help you to find your career.
- Read articles on the Internet, browse through websites, ask industry experts and career counselors / career guide and gather as much information as you can.

Step 3: Make an Informed Decision

1. After step 1 and 2 are complete you are ready to make an informed decision. Take the information you gathered about yourself in step 1 and couple it with what you learned in step 2.
2. Introspect, speak to your family and friends and then make the right career choice and go on to have a successful career.

1.3. CAREER PLANNING?

1.3.1. Importance of Career Planning

Planning a career is a lifelong process, which begins by choosing the course stream of your choice, getting a job and growing in the job. It is important to think wisely while selecting the right career and arriving at the right decision. The process of choosing a career is an introspective and important task. Here are some tips that will help you decide how to choose a career option that suits you:

✓ Interests

It is the most important thing while deciding a career. When you study a subject and enjoy attending lectures, performing practical or doing the course work, etc. it will increase your chances of improved grades in colleges and further success in the profession when your work life begins.

✓ Skills

Another important aspect while deciding a career to be taken into account is your skills set. Talk to your family members, friends and teachers to find more about your skills. Doing a course work where your natural skill sets utilized, increases your chances of success both in the academics and further in the profession.

✓ Priorities

Prioritize your choices; you will enjoy working if you are comfortable and have access to facilities you need. For example, if you hate traveling then do not choose a career which involves touring.

✓ Work Environment Preference

Choosing work environment that fits your lifestyle including surroundings, people etc. and the sort of duties you will prefer your work life will be an advantage. Choose for a course where you may find suitable environment to work. For example, if you're an asthmatic then do not choose for a course in civil engineering. A civil engineer requires lot of field work.

✓ Work Satisfaction

Satisfaction in work is very important. Choosing a career, which may give you a sense of satisfaction, is important and ultimate key to success. For example, if you enjoy design building then you may choose a course in architecture. Select a career options which you enjoy most like sports, painting, designing etc.

✓ Knowing Your Career Options

Make a list of the career options which you think suit best to your personality and strengths. If you like working in nonprofit sector? Maybe you'll want to consider a career in social work. Do you like to create things? May be a job in engineering and development for a large corporation is in cards. Are you inclined towards glamorous jobs? May be a career in films or aviation will be the best for you.

Now it's time for you to decide. Keeping in mind people switch careers between five to eight times during the course of their working lives. For now, choose a career based on your careful research and analysis and Good luck!

Career planning is one of the most important factors of your professional life. First, you should have a clear idea whether you want to pursue a job or would like to prefer to be on your own. One should always **remember that there is a throat cut competition for creating space in this world of work.** Second, keep this in view of new developments primarily created by

the information technology (IT) and globalization of the economy; there are more options than ever before. You must have to look for these options. Never forget that specialization is really important in today's world.

Excel your strengths/weakness?

- Why do I need to know my strengths and weaknesses?
- How do I know my strengths and weaknesses?
- Can I work on my weaknesses?
- Should I be capitalizing on all my strengths?

Get the answers of your questions, and get away from all of your confusion related to career related choice and future.

Role of Parents

- Encourage your child to pursue extracurricular activities.
- Cultivate productive habits.
- Take help of professional counselor.
- Be open to the inclination of the child.

Role of Teacher in Career Development

- Help student to understand their strengths and weaknesses.
- Counsel and provide information in time.
- Encourage professional habits.
- Lead by example-Walk the Talk and Talk the Walk.

One of the best ways to choose the right career is to go by your hobbies and interests, be it sports, fashion, writing, meeting and interacting with people, teaching, cooking, dance, music, fine arts etc. Focus your strengths on the career you choose. And you must advance confidently in the direction of your Dreams and Endeavour to live the life which you have imagined.

The following guidelines in this regard may prove useful:

- Ideally, the choice of a career should be an individual's own because it is the individual who will face the consequences. Any kind of pressure, be it parental or from the peer side, can prove harmful to his or her interests.
- An ideal career for you would be the one which ensures a perfect match between your interests, aptitude, abilities and the requirement of the profession, so giving you job satisfaction in terms of work and returns.
- The right choice of a career begins with a dream. A dream is where you want to see yourself one day. It could be flying an aero plane, performing a complex surgery, leading an international company, to be a top class engineer, biotechnologist, film actor, model, singer, and musician and so on. A Chinese proverb says "People who don't have dreams don't have much".
- Dreams help us to have a goal. If we go through the success stories of people who reached the top of success and analyse the secrets behind their exemplary achievements in their life, one common thing they all share is to have a goal. In this sense, your dream turning into a goal, will define the direction for action.
- To realise your dream and achieve your goal, you will have to plan your and start as early as you can. Postponing the essential activity could cause delay in fulfilling your career aspirations.
- The biggest advantage of career planning is that you choose your career in the right earnest – You get focused. Secondly, in the process of career planning, you go through relevant information in many forms i.e. newspapers, magazines, internet, TV etc., consulting your parents, teachers, seniors, career counselors or knowledgeable and experienced persons.
- Next essential step is to know yourself. Discover your talent and determine your interests i.e. what you love to do. You have to be honest with your interest, aptitude and abilities.
- Similarly, there is an equal need to identify your skills, upgrade or learn new ones in accordance with requirements of the profession.
- Personality and one's outlook towards life, in general and career, in particular, makes a significant difference with regard to the fulfillment of one's career goal. Thus you need to match your personality with your career.

It is time to say goodbye to all your confusions, tensions and apprehensions about your career.

We are here to guide you in this not so easy task of choosing a career. We have tried to make it simple for you by providing complete information regarding different fields- the usual and not so usual, the different and the not so different, the exciting and the not so exciting. In short, we have attempted to cover each and every topic to facilitate you choose your right career.

Read carefully, and make the right choice.

*If you fail to plan,
You are planning to fail.*

—William Shakespeare

1.4. SUCCESS STORY

—Abraham Lincoln

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|---|--|
| 1. Lost his job | 2. got defeated for legislature |
| 3. started business and failed | 4. wife died of a fatal disease |
| 5. experienced nervous breakdown | 6. contested in election for speaker in legislature and lost |
| 7. Tried for nomination in a political party and lost | 8. applied for the post of land officer and didn't get it |
| 9. contested for senate and lost | 10. contested for vice president and lost again |
| 11. contested for senate and lost | And two year later..... |

GOT ELECTED AS PRESIDENT OF AMERICA

Abraham Lincoln

“Failure is the mother of success.”

1.4.1. Inspiring Stories of Success

Many people who want to achieve success in life, career or business fail to do it because they don't know what it takes to be successful and how the road to success looks like. They just see the final result, which is the successful person, without having any idea about what this person went through. By knowing the **inspirational stories of successful people** you will learn how the road to success looks like and your chance of succeeding in life will become much higher.

Inspirational stories of successful and famous people

Below are short and quick inspirational stories of some of the most successful people that can help you know a lot about the approach required to **reach success**.

- **Soichiro Honda Success story:** Soichiro Honda is the founder of the company Honda which is one of the well known large automotive companies. Honda's story starts when he went for a job interview to work for the Toyota Company. Honda was rejected and was told that he is not fit for the job!! The man didn't give up and decided to create a company that competes with Toyota and so Honda was born!! If there is anything we can learn from this inspiring success story it would be to never give up.
- **Stephen king's inspirational success story:** Most people know Stephen king the famous writer but few know about his life story. Stephen's first novel was rejected almost everywhere it was submitted to the extent that he threw it in the garbage!! His wife got the story out of the garbage and insisted that he submits it again and in the end he became the Stephen king we know now!! There is a very important lesson you must come up with from this inspirational success story which is that **rejections** should make no sense at all if you believe in yourself
- **Thomas Edison motivational success story:** Thomas addition's success story is one of the stories that can motivate anyone after **experiencing failure**. Thomas failed about 999 times to invent the lamp before he succeed in doing it on the 1000th attempt. When people asked him how did you manage to keep going even though you were failing all the time he replied telling them, each time it didn't work i used to say i discovered a new way how to not invent the lamp. Thomas Edison success story should make you conclude that failure should never stop you even if it occurred more than once.
- **Oprah Winfrey's success story:** One of the inspirational stories that really motivated me the first time i read about it was the success story of Oprah. Oprah is one of the most popular TV icons nowadays and she is also one of the richest women on our planet but this is not how her story began. Do you know that Oprah was fired from her job and was told that she was not fit for TV earlier in her life?
- **Bill gates success story:** Bill gates the founder of Microsoft is one of the most inspirational business leaders living these days but do you know that his idea of creating a computer that has a graphical interface and a mouse was rejected when he first submitted it to another company? Some people even say that the papers of the project were thrown in his face!! Now he became bill gates!!
- **J.K. Rowling** – Who doesn't know this remarkable separated single mom once almost desperate? We all know her as the famous Harry Potter series writer. But did you know that she wasn't always rich? That it took her cafe after another cafe to actually finish her first book? Her book were also rejected, things did not actually turn good for her overnight. It was her faith and belief that what she has written is worth sharing to this world. Now, J. K. Rowling is worth over \$1.1

Billion not to mention that she was able to sold over 400 million books across the globe. Sounds incredible and Herculean? No way, you too can follow her footsteps in so many ways.

Life lessons learned from these inspirational success stories??

Certainly these success stories are not told for the sake of entertainment but they are told in order to inspire, motivate and encourage people to succeed in work, business or life. The most precious lessons you should come up with from these inspirational success stories are:

1. Rejection should never stop you
2. Failure is not a problem at all
3. People who reject you know nothing
4. Believing in yourself is the key to success in life

How to Reach Success

When rail roads were first invented engineers started to notice that the rail lines break at different points with no apparent reason. When they investigated further they found that sunlight resulted in the expansion of the metal forming the rail causing a pressure that breaks the line at its weakest points.

As a walk around, rail roads were redesigned to include slots that allows the expansion and contraction of the metal without breaking it.

So you might be asking yourself what does this has to do with reaching success? The moral of the story is simple; **reaching success** is only a matter of failing first then modifying your approach to become successful!!

Success Comes After Failure

Of course there might be few people out there who succeeded from the first attempts but the majority of successful people failed many times before they managed to reach success.

A very large percentage of billionaires faced financial troubles at many points in their lives and some of them even lost all of their money and had to start all over again.

Learning is all about making mistakes first then knowing how to avoid these mistakes in the future. You have to do things wrong before you can learn how to do them the right way and thus in order to reach success you must first know how to not become successful.

Do you remember the first time you tried to ride a bicycle or use a skateboard?

How many times did you fall? How many things have you done wrong?.. I am sure you fell tens of times yet you kept learning until you knew how to avoid your mistakes.

We Can Change/Succeed

| Name | What was he/she? | What did he/she become? |
|------------------------------|---|---|
| Albert Einstein | Ordinary patent clerk | World famous scientist |
| Abraham Lincoln | Poor farmer’s son | President of America |
| Beethoven | Deaf | Renowned music composer |
| Franklin D. Roosevelt | Sick and both legs paralyzed | President of America |
| Homer | blind | Greatest Greek writer |
| M. S. Oberoi | Simple clerk | One of the biggest chain hotel owner in the world |
| C. N. Janaki | Both legs polio | Famous swimmer, mentioned in book ‘Special People’ by Oxford University |
| Narendra modi | Father owning a tea stall at railwaystation and he sold tea | Prime minister of India |
| Richard Branson | Suffered from Dyslexia and a pretty bad student | One of the richest man in UK, |

*“Instead of blaming darkness, light a candle if you can”
stop blaming instead take action*

Generate enthusiasm
Operate to your potential
Destroy negative attitude

“Change can start with ourselves and can begin only from within”

*“The true measure of success is how many times
 You can bounce back from failure.”*

1.5. DEALING WITH FAILURE

It is not easy realizing that all of the hard work that you put in to reach success did not work out the way you thought to be. No one expects failure in advance and always comes unexpected, instead learn from their mistakes. It is important to note that a failure is not a failure any more, if you learn something meaningful out of it. Experience of failure can make you wiser, smarter person and leads you towards success. In other words, failure can be good for us, but it is upon us to decide how we take it. There are people who let failure take over them and surrender to it, while there are also some who really cares about the reason for failure and get up and do something about it. However some effective ways of dealing with failure are:

Forget about what people say:

Your success is your own, your career belongs to you and no one other that you yourself have any right to comment or interfere in this thing. It is basic human nature that we easily get influenced and affected by people around us and what they say about us. It is a fact that people do like to gossip about the failures of other people, remember, this is your life, and what others say should not matter. If someone really care about you, they will not say hurtful things to you aimed at your failures instead they would come to you and motivate you to overcome your failures and also give you suggestions to improve you in a better way. People who stay by your side when you're down will be the ones who will be genuinely happy when you progress.

Try again:

Failure should not be a setback; instead you should see it as another opportunity to perform even better. Give it another shot and try to learn from your mistakes, try harder than ever. Give it your 100%. You gave it your best shot, and leave the rest to God. Person with such attitude never faces failure for more than once and quickly learns from his mistakes.

Motivate yourself:

Motivation is the key to success. Never lose faith in yourself and remain motivated throughout. Not believing we are good enough rests at the heart of fearing failure. Failures serve as proof of this greatest fear, causing us to want to withdraw and not try again for fear of being further exposed as inadequate and incapable. Most important thing to do is to have faith in you. In times like these, people often have a feeling of worthless and tend to lose hope in themselves. Don't let that get to you.

It is very important to motivate yourself. Remain normal and try to stay around positive people who lift your spirits and try your best to keep your distance from negative people who always bring in negative vibes.

Stop worrying:

Things might be miserable for a little while but there is no point worrying unnecessarily and this won't help. Worrying about the past situation won't help you out in anyway.

Failure as a Lesson

As we have discussed earlier, failure is a part of life. You may encounter failure at any part of life, it is not the worst that you can expect, but the worst may lie in the way that you deal with it. If you try to learn something out of it, then failure can be a learning experience. However if you consider failure as the end of opportunity, then it can be the worst part. To make best out of it try to review, what your failure has taught you. There are always things to take away from a failure, to inform your future direction. There may also be case when your partial failure may give you quite an opportunity to return back even stronger, remember partial failure is also partial success and if you can draw out what was successful and build on that, the sense of having failed lessens If you are determined to progress then, failure can help you discover your best self

Another important teaching is that failure is about mastery. It's easy to flip from one new thing to another. Failure can teach you patience. It's much, much harder to have the patience to master one thing really well and to do it with precision and exactitude. And to master something, one must fail at it, a lot. Hence there is an inter-relation among the two.

Failure gives you a chance to know yourself even better. Failure teaches you about will-power, persistence, self-discipline, and the value of hard work. It is during the failure only, that you really learn about your inner-powers and how to control yourself during tough situation.

| FAILURE | IT MEANS |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| DOES NOT MEAN | |
| You are a failure | You have not yet succeeded |
| You have accomplished nothing | You have learned something |
| You will never be able to do it again | You have to do it in a different way |
| You are inferior | You are not perfect, you have to be |
| You have wasted your life | You have to start afresh |
| You should give up | You should try very hard |
| You will never achieve | It takes a little longer |
| <i>God has abandoned you</i> | <i>God has a better idea! You will get the idea if you have faith in him</i> |
| DREAM BIG | |
| DREAMING SMALL IS A CRIME!! | |
| Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam | |

***Dream of achieving your career goals, work hard god will assist you to accomplish them.
According to legendary Napoleon Bonaparte, luck always benefits the stronger forces than the ill prepared.....***

"FORTUNE FAVOURS THE BRAVE"

***"The dictionary is the only place where
Success Comes before Work."***

1.6. BE WISE, HUMBLE AND POLITE

"Being strong isn't enough, the true strength lies in being wise and humble". –this famous quote lays stress on the importance of politeness, because politeness can be possible only when one feels a sense of confidence due to one's strength of knowledge and wisdom.

Knowledgeable and wise people never get complacent and it is complacency that leads to a false sense of pride that never allows one to grow and behave well, for example, **you are bound to fail in an interview, if you think that answering every question politely is a waste of time.** In fact, such a situation occurs only when you feel too much confident of yourself. Too much confidence is the result of lack of strength and one's nervousness gets transformed into assertiveness which gives a semblance of pride. Such a pride is of no use in the situations where one is supposed to respond to others in positive matters. One cannot be good and well-mannered, if one is not polite, because "politeness is to goodness what words are to thought". Your thoughts can be best expressed only if you use your words in a balanced and polite way. In order to make the point all the more clear you should analyse the feeling expressed by Theodore Roosevelt, according to him, "nine - tenth of wisdom consist in being wise in time". In other words, if you have something to say never slip it into discussion. Always try to break the negative cycle of apathy when you talk to somebody or a group of person. Always look cheerful and enthusiastic while communicating with other. You are advised to make your point by talking about "us" and "we". Try to never make your point by using "you" and "I". Always try to emphasize that you are trying to include everyone by making eye contact with all present. Never get irritated or lose your patience, if things are not going the way you want them to. Wise people never give up their humility.

Your words should never smack of pride, because nobody likes people who are arrogant and complacent. It is your wisdom that teaches you to show your real power by being polite. Politeness leaves an indelible impression on the minds of all the listeners, who in turn give productive outputs.

Wishing you all the success that your wisdom and politeness brings to you.

1.7. THE RIGHT CHOICE, The Letter to the Parents

"Every student has a unique talent that is usually related to their passion and interest".

Consider cricketer Sachin Tendulkar's example. Even though his father was a professor of English, he was an average student. If his father has insisted that Tendulkar's opt a career in any other field besides cricket, he would have not been as successful as he is today. His father recognized and nurtured his talent in the sport. It is important for parents to understand that students who score average or less marks should not be underestimated. It is important to identify your child's strength and help them develop the same. If a child is forced to opt for a course or career path depending on the parent's preference, he/she will not do well in that stream.

If a student does not enjoy the course they pursue, they will not be able to excel in that field. They should identify their area of passion, take their parents' and teacher opinion, and eventually pursue, what interest them the most. This decision is very important since students have to stick to that career for the rest of their lives.

Before making a decision on opting for a course or college, student must evaluate everything individually, they must not depend on information, they get of the internet. Instead, they should visit the college, speak with students who are currently pursuing the course and check the original university syllabus before making a choice and must not choose a course or career depending on the remunerations it can fetch.

While it is important for the student to make the right choice, parent must also support their child's decision. One common error the most parents make is comparing their child to other children. Parent and students should also understand that no course is bad; there may be trend of student opting for popular courses in a particular city. For example, in Mumbai, the trend is to opt for management or commerce related courses and science, medicine and engineering related course. In the scenario if a student opts for a BA (History), they are usually questioned on their choice of course. Not many are aware, but students who usually wish to become IAS/IPS officers pursue a BA (History).

Post class X, students have three options to choose from-arts, science or commerce. Students who cannot make their career choice at this stage can opt for science. This is because post class XII, a science student has more career option to choose from.

Commerce students cannot pursue medicine post class XII. However, a class XII science student cannot only pursue medicine, but also management, commerce and accounting, media etc.

While this is an alternate option for student who is confused, it is best to decide your career path and choose stream accordingly.

Lastly, when applying for admissions, students usually narrow down on a particular college. In case, they do not gain admission there, they are usually upset. Student must understand that every college is more or less the same. Of course, the infrastructure in every college is different, and that affects the teaching methodology. However, what ultimately matters is the quality of teaching.

***Choose a job you love And,
You will have to never work a day in your life.***

—Confucius

***Once you have chartered a career path,
ACT
Because no dream can be translated into reality without
ACTION
Because
Without Action
a good decision becomes meaningless,
For***

The desire itself can die through lack of an attempt to Achieve its fulfillment.

—W. Clement Stone

1.8. OPTIONS AFTER 10TH CLASS

Level of education in our country is increasing day by day and competition is increasing as well. These days everyone wants to have the best career and are willing to work extra hard for the success. The examinations of 10th class are an important point in the life of a student in our country and a lot of his future course depends on his performance as well as his decisions made at this point of time. Any students after the completion of class 10 board exams are always worried about which stream to choose in Pre-University Education i.e. to join class 11. Once you complete in your 10th class, it is the right time to think about your career, because at this point of your education you are supposed to choose the stream, but it is important to know the opportunities and options you will have after pursuing any of the above.

Making a decision about your career is not an easy thing to do; most of the students completing their 10th standard are confused about deciding a right career path. There is a lot of external pressure and expectations also that add on to this confusion. Selecting the right course after class 10th is not an easy task. Your whole life ahead as well as your career depends on your decision, for a successful career, careful planning and following it up with a workable plan is needed. Before making any move, it is important to know about all the resources and opportunities and decide well according to your capabilities. Career exploration, knowledge about one's own self, decision making ability, future goals are some among the essential elements needed for a successful career planning. You need help of your parents, siblings, friends and teachers who could help

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