

GETTING OVER THE HUMP: ANSWERING THE BIG QUESTION

In honor of 'Hump Day', each Wednesday we're going to single out a 'hump' you might have to roll over on your way to sweet career success. The answers aren't always simple and easy, but hopefully we'll give you something to marinate on. So, do you guys remember the "When I Grow Up" segments from Saturday morning cartoons? These were fun little stories that helped kids know what the heck they were saying when they answered The Big Question: 'What do you want to be when you grow up?' They always featured a cute little ginger who seemed 100% certain that he wanted to be a veterinarian. If you're one of those people who've known your career path since you were eight years old (yes, Mr. Redheaded Animal Doctor, I'm talking to you), then congrats. If not, you're not alone. Lots of people still don't know what they want they want to be. Or do. Sometimes the best way to figure things out is to learn as much as you can about the industries that interest you. You're probably a wee bit past the guidance counselor days--so be your own guidance counselor and figure out where you want to go. At EmploymentCrossing.com, there are over 90 industry-specific websites that allow you to explore all types of jobs. Some of these jobs aren't really the 'cool' jobs that you may have rattled off when answering The Big Question--no one says they want to be an actuary (ActuarialCrossing.com) or a class action attorney (LawCrossing.com) unless they're Alex P. Keaton. ('Family Ties' not 'Family Guy'). But one of them might be the perfect job for you. It's worth a look at our free trial. Okay, we started off with a big hump for our Hump Day posts. But if you work really hard to refine your answer to The Big Question, a lot of the other career challenges will be a little less daunting.

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