

Avoiding Career Pitfalls

Here are a few common career traps and how to avoid them. Helpful regardless of your career stage, status or aspirations.

Crisis of confidence	Everyone's confidence wobbles at some time. It's natural. Confidence comes when you move in to action. Don't wait; go for it!
Experience enigma	Pivoting or starting everyone's experience is lower. You are going into new territory. Use what you have and be proud of achievements
Not thinking like employers / clients	Your career is your responsibility yet it's not just about you. Think about needs and challenges of others to help make a match
Poor communication	Engaging; connecting with others is pivotal to your career success. Help others get to know you so they can trust and believe in you
Being too insular	Open-minded and creative leads to the right mindset for career success. Thinking beyond your bubble and yourself brings rewards
Thinking a lot but not taking action	Thinking, imagining and analysing are important aspects of your career. Moving into action makes them truly worthwhile
Taking action without thinking	Acting without thinking; being reactive may be your preferred style. Engaging others & making progress need you to think better
Style over substance	Blah, blah, blah! Being all style with no substance doesn't impress long-term. You need to engage & have the means to back it up
Substance with little style	You have potential galore. Adding sparkle to your communication isn't showing-off; makes it more interesting and accessible for others
Taking a linear approach	Career opportunities are everywhere. Finding and creating them requires a creative mindset and a multi-directional approach

