## Can Minecraft Really help you Build A Career?

Minecraft is a staple in children's leisure time - but now it could even assist them in finding the right job.

CareersCraft is a new Minecraft world that Careers Wales launched to help children between 8 and 13 years old discover and improve their career skills.

Six zones are based on landmarks: the Senedd Big Pit, Coal Exchange, Caernarfon Castle, and the Big Pit.

Each zone is linked to a particular area of learning in the new Welsh curriculum.

It is free to download, but there is a Welsh education edition is available. The edition contains lesson plans for teachers.

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The new curriculum for WalesSix areas of learning and experience

1Maths and numeracy

2Languages as well as literacy and communication

3 Well-being and health

4Humanities

5Science and technology

6Expressive arts

Source: Welsh Government, 2019

Players explore the areas and complete activities and challenges as they go, gaining knowledge about careers in specific fields and industries in Wales and learn more about their own strengths and interests.

Maggie is student at Risca Comprehensive school in Caerphilly, said that it was a great experience and a great way to explore various career options using Minecraft.

Ferne another student said: "It made my think about my future however, it was also a lot of enjoyable."

Gareth Phillips from Careers Wales said: "CareersCraft is a hugely thrilling and innovative resource that we hope will increase the aspirations and broaden the possibilities for future generations.

"It's been amazing to watch young people traveling around the world and developing their thinking and creative skills as well as problem-solving abilities, while learning about Welsh heritage and pondering their future career choices."

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