Compare Employment Options

Instructions

Gather labour market information and compare different job opportunities. These could be jobs close by, or jobs that sound interesting outside the province.

* Go to <https://www.jobbank.gc.ca/findajob>
* In the What part of the search bar, type in a job that you are interested in. Leave the WHERE part of the search bar blank. This will make your search for all of Canada.
* Choose two job postings to compare in the two columns below.
* Complete one column at a time, using the information you can find on the job posting. If the information isn’t there, that’s okay. Complete each column to the best of your ability
* Complete the short reflection at the end, and think about what else you would need to know about a job before you made a decision.

Example:

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| **Job Posting**  **What is the job posting title?** | Veterinary Technician | Veterinary Helper |
| **Location**  **Where is the job located?** | Bedford, Nova Scotia | Edmonton, Alberta |
| **Main Duties or Responsibilities** | * Care for animals * Assist during surgery * Brush animal teeth * Bandage animal cuts and wounds | * Shampooing animals * Clean cages, aquariums and large kennels * Order supplies |
| **Experience Needed** | * Over one year experience | * None. They will train me. |
| **Education Needed** | * Registered Apprenticeship certificate or equivalent experience | * None |
| **Wage** | * $23 to $30 per hour | * $15 to $20 hourly |

|  | **Job #1** | **Job #2** |
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| **Job Posting**  What is the job posting title? |  |  |
| **Location**  Where is the job located? |  |  |
| **Main Duties or Responsibilities** |  |  |
| **Experience Needed** |  |  |
| **Skills Needed** |  |  |
| **Education Needed** |  |  |
| **Wage** |  |  |
| **Full Time, Part Time or Seasonal** |  |  |
| **Benefits** |  |  |
| **Additional Information that is interesting** |  |  |
| **Why this job interests me** |  |  |
| **What skills do I already have to do this job?** |  |  |
| **What skills would I need to learn to do this job?** |  |  |

Reflection

If you had to choose between Job #1 or Job #2, would you have enough information to make a decision? YES  NO

What questions would you want to ask before you made a decision?