

Goal Setting

Goals are commonly classified into Short and Long Term depending on how long is going to take you to achieve the goal you have set. After establishing your goal, you need to start action planning. This includes the steps that you need to take to accomplish one of your goals.

Example – Short-Term Action Plan

Goal: Start a band with local musician in 3 months

- Steps:**
1. Talk to local musicians about how they formed their bands
 2. Audition band members for the next three weeks
 3. Find rehearsal space
 4. Set up a regular rehearsal schedule
 5. Let people know about your band and look for opportunities to play for an audience

Example – Long-Term Action Plan

Goal: To become a hair stylist in 2 years

- Steps:**
1. Talk to people in the industry and find a part-time job
 2. Finish high school
 3. Enter into and complete post-secondary training
 4. Enter into and complete an apprenticeship program
 5. Write exams for trade qualification paper and become a licensed hair stylist

Example – Goals and Challenges

GOALS	CHALLENGES
Complete my work experience in the summer of 2011	Maintain a positive relationship with the people at my placement
Taking Honour Math and AP Physics course	Spending more time studying than playing
Graduate from high school with a focus in Math and Science	Graduate with good marks in order to get into college
Obtain a part-time job while at college starting in the summer of 2012	Balance college and work
Own my own company by 2024 after 5 years of working in the industry	Develop the skills and abilities required to become a successful entrepreneur in addition to obtain financial funding