Career of the week







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Entry route:

- GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C) in English, maths and science
- Passes in numeracy and literacy skills tests
- Some school experience to support your application
- Enhanced background checks by the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS)
- You need a degree to be a teacher. You can take the university-led approach to training or a school-led approach to training.

Primary teacher salary:

UK annual median: £38, 219

Working hours:

37 hours a week for 39 weeks a year.. You'll spend additional time planning lessons, marking work and taking part in activities like parents' evenings and outings.

UK growth: +7.1% from 2020 to 2025, creating 128,660 jobs

West Midlands growth: +10.2% from 2020 to 2025, creating 12,575 jobs

Character virtues

responsibility, resilience, creativity, compassion

Key words

plan, assess, inspire, teach, learn, educate, skills, resources, volunteer, classroom