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Keep Calm and Think Ahead

The world's in a very strange state at the moment, and if you are feeling anxious or unhappy, you are not alone. Lots of people, of all ages, are feeling that way too. No one knows what the future holds and that can be an unpleasant feeling. For some people, it helps to have something concrete to focus on. If you like the idea of that, you could use this time at home to think about what you would like to do for a career one day.

We know about the [doctors](#), [nurses](#), and [paramedics](#) working so hard to treat people with the virus, but here are four other science-based careers that are playing an important role in finding an answer to Covid-19.

1. An [epidemiologist](#) is a scientist who either works in a university, studying data of whole populations to understand the patterns and causes of disease, or in a clinical setting, working directly with patients to understand how an infection develops within the human body.
2. If you study [immunology](#), you could work in a range of jobs to diagnose, monitor, and treat people with immune disorders.
3. A [microbiologist](#) studies tiny organisms to understand how they affect our world, including our health, and what we can do to avoid getting sick.
4. A [virologist](#) is a doctor and a scientist who examines groups of people to understand how infections spread. They also test how different infections react to drugs and advise governments and health services on the best courses of action.

If healthcare and science isn't the way for you, you can explore what careers your [favourite subjects](#) can lead to. Or, try this [quiz](#) to see which sectors you may enjoy working in.

If you still don't know what you'd like to do, then how about becoming a [Waterslide Tester](#), or a [Crisp Taster](#)? Did you know that there is such a job as a [Legal Bank Robber](#), or that you could apply for a role as a [Professional Sleeper](#)? Finally, how about these five [jobs in Star Wars](#) that really exist?

There are hundreds of interesting, useful, and exciting careers that you could go for - the only person stopping you is you.

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