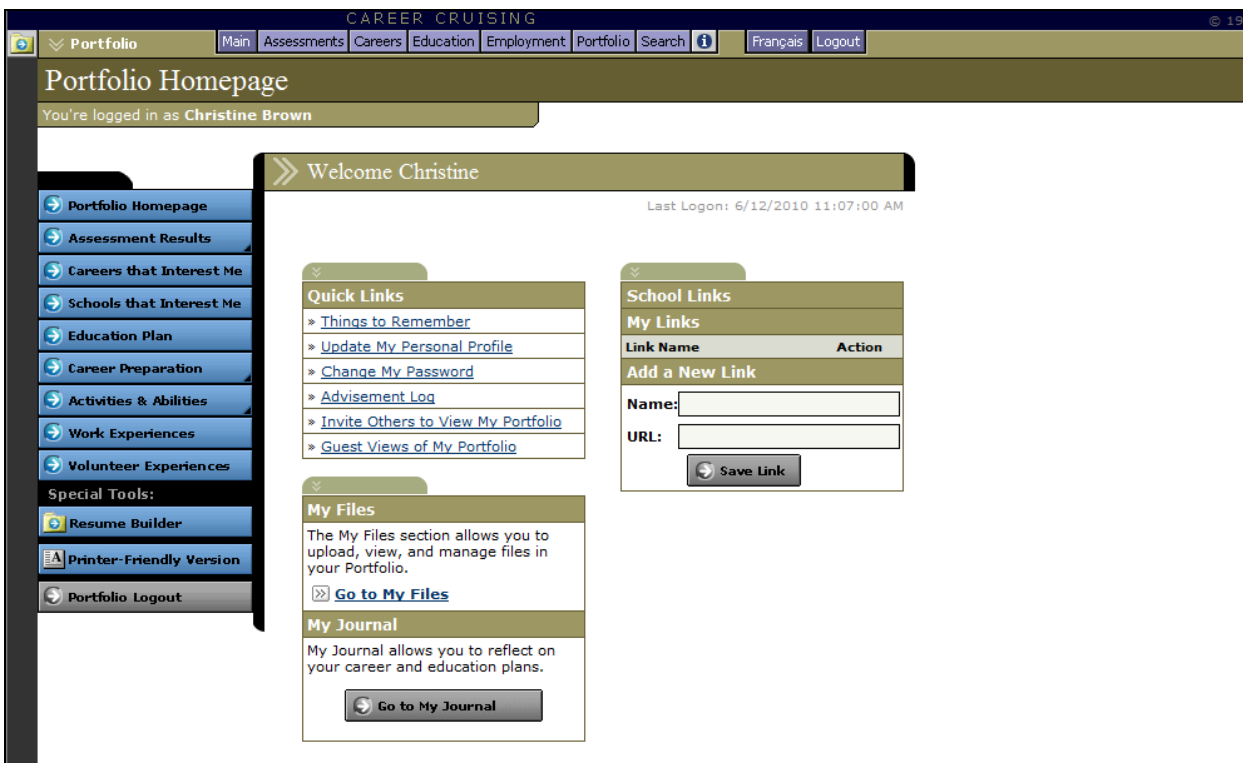
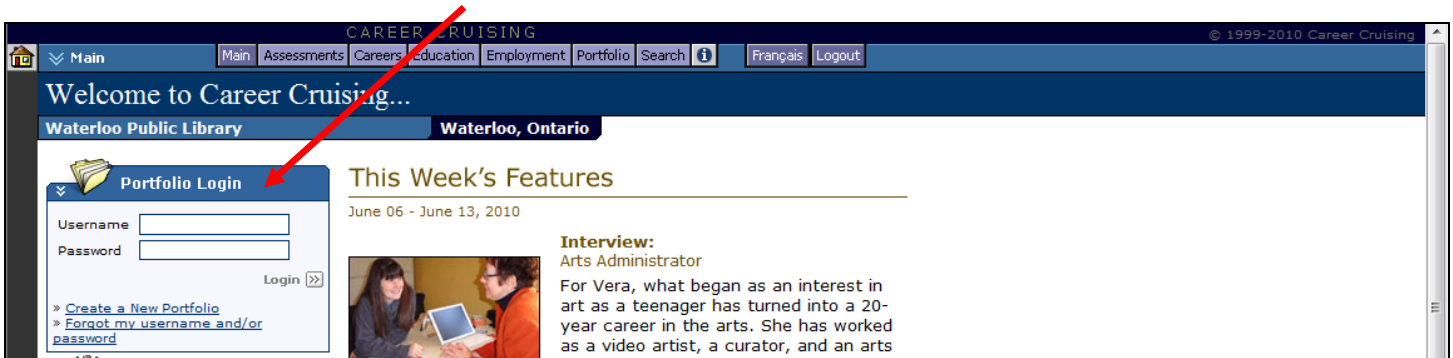


# Career Cruising

This database is designed to help students and others plan their future. Users are able to access hundreds of detailed occupation profiles – everything from Actuary to Zookeeper. Profiles include: job descriptions, working conditions, education and training, earnings, and links to related occupations and other resources. It also provides a national database of post-secondary schools which includes detailed information on colleges, universities and other training opportunities.

## Create a Portfolio

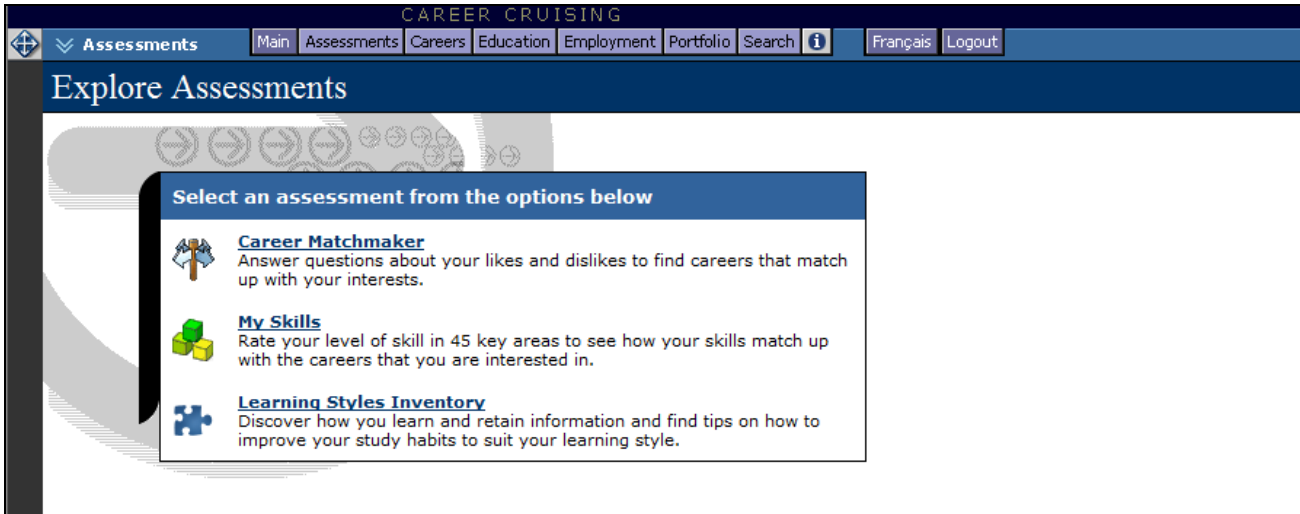
With Career Cruising's Portfolio tool you can create your own online portfolio to keep track of career development activities and develop a career plan.



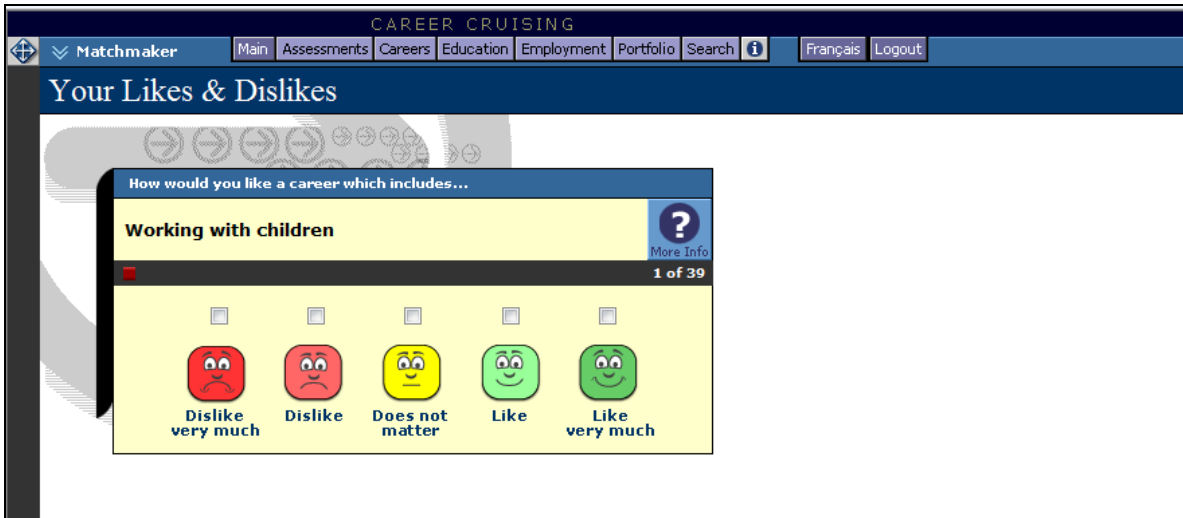
## Explore Assessments

There are three assessments available:

- **Career Matchmaker Interest Assessment** – Users answer questions about their likes and dislikes to find careers that match up with their interests.
- **My Skills** – This component of Career Matchmaker asks users to rate their level of skill in 45 key areas to see how their skills match up with the careers that they are interested in.
- **Learning Styles** – This 20-question exercise helps users discover how they learn and retain information and find tips on how to improve their study habits to suit their learning style.



### Career Matchmaker Interest Assessment



### [Explore Careers](#)

Search for careers and find out what they are really like.

**Career Suggestions for Christine Brown**

Your Matchmaker Results

Careers that suit your answers are listed below under Suggested Careers. The best matches are at the top of the list. Click on a career to learn more about it.

**Suggested Careers**

1. [Historian](#)
2. [Dental Assistant](#)
3. [Tour Guide](#)
4. [Librarian](#)
5. [Curator](#)
6. [Nail Technician](#)
7. [Furniture Finisher](#)
8. [Picture Framer](#)
9. [Library Technician](#)
10. [Archivist](#)
11. [Airline Customer Service Agent](#)
12. [Upholsterer](#)
13. [Cashier](#)
14. [Dispatcher](#)
15. [Customer Service Representative](#)
16. [Concierge](#)
17. [Gunsmith](#)
18. [Sign Maker](#)
19. [Jeweller](#)
20. [Dental Lab Tech](#)

**Dental Hygienist**

**Job Description**

Although people might not always look forward to seeing a dental professional, regular checkups can save them a lot of pain and trouble down the road. In fact, because of the efforts of dental hygienists, many patients are able to avoid unpleasant dental procedures like root canals and fillings.

Dental hygienists are specially trained health care professionals who help prevent oral health problems and promote good oral hygiene. Performing a variety of procedures, they help to maintain the dental health of their patients, and educate them about proper oral hygiene habits and techniques. Ideally, hygienists see each patient for a routine appointment every 6 months.

Hygienists begin an appointment by assessing the condition of the patient's teeth and gums. They look for a wide variety of oral health problems. The most common are tooth decay and gingivitis or gum disease. A small mirror and a probe are used to check the patient's teeth and gums for indicators of trouble, such as cavities and red or swollen gums. This process requires a steady hand and a careful eye.

Typically, hygienists can't get enough information about patients' dental health from a visual inspection, so they also take x-rays of patients' teeth. X-rays reveal tooth decay that can't be seen by a visual inspection. They also reveal any dental problems that may exist beneath the surface of the gums.

## Education & Training

Find out where to get the education you need to start the career of your choice.

**Program Search**

Search for a Program  
Enter a program name: dental assistant

Schools offering programs in: Dental Assistant

[AB](#) - [BC](#) - [MB](#) - [NS](#) - [ON](#) - [PE](#) - [SK](#)

**Ontario**

College	Program	Certificate
<a href="#">Algonquin College</a>	Dental Assisting - Level I and II	Certificate
	Dental Assisting - Level II for Dental Assistants (Post-Certificate)	Certificate
<a href="#">Cambrian College</a>	Dental Assisting - Level I and II	Certificate
<a href="#">Canadore College</a>	Dental Assisting - Level I and II	Certificate
<a href="#">Collège Boréal</a>	Soins dentaires	Certificate
<a href="#">Confederation College</a>	Dental Assisting - Level I and II	Certificate
<a href="#">Durham College</a>	Dental Assisting - Level I and II	Certificate
<a href="#">Fanshawe College</a>	Dental Assisting - Level I and II	Certificate
<a href="#">George Brown College</a>	Dental Treatment Co-ordinator	Certificate
	Dental Office Radiography	Certificate
	Dental Assisting - Level I and II	Certificate
	Dental Assisting - Level II Upgrade	Certificate
<a href="#">Georgian College</a>	Dental Assisting - Level I and II	Certificate
<a href="#">La Cité Collégiale</a>	Soins dentaires - niveau Post-IT	Certificate

**Browse a list of college and university programs across Canada that will give you the education and training you need to pursue the career of your choice.**

## Employment

Browse through actual job postings.

The left screenshot shows the 'Dental Hygienist' page. The sidebar menu includes: General Information, Job Description, Working Conditions, Earnings, Education, Sample Career Path, Related Careers, Other Resources, Photos & Interviews, PhotoFile, Alyssa, Jeffrey, Actions (with 'Search for Jobs' circled in red), and Printer-Friendly Report. The main content area shows a 'Job Description' for a dental hygienist, including a paragraph about the profession and a list of related careers.

The right screenshot shows 'Job Search Results' for 'Hygienist in kitchener, ontario'. It includes a 'Filter these results' section and a table of job listings:

Filter these results	Jobs 1 to 5 of 5
<b>Title</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>dental hygienist(2)</li><li>registered restorative dental hygienist (1)</li><li>dental hygienist(1)</li><li>building science manager(1)</li></ul>	<b>Dental hygienist</b> Domtrak Systems Limited - Cambridge, ON licences, memberships, courses, etc.): Dental Hygienists License by the appropriate provincial or... practice Dental Hygienist Specific Skills: Conduct... From Canadian Job Bank - 20 days ago
<b>Company</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>an unnamed company(3)</li><li>domtrak systems limited(1)</li><li>career path personnel(1)</li></ul>	<b>Dental Hygienist</b> AN UNNAMED COMPANY - Cambridge, ON Dental Hygienist P/T (M,W). Cambridge. Fax resumes to 519-622-2677 or e-mail: cambdds@rogers.com As seen in The Record on Wednesday May 26, 2010 (\$562474R... From Workopolis - 16 days ago
<b>Location</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Cambridge, ON(2)</li><li>Hamilton, ON(2)</li><li>Kitchener, ON(1)</li></ul>	<b>Registered Restorative Dental Hygienist</b> AN UNNAMED COMPANY - Hamilton, ON Experienced Registered Restorative Dental Hygienist required for Tuesday at friendly office Please fax resume to 905-523-8646 As seen in The Spectator on... From Workopolis - 10 days ago
<b>Job type</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Full-time</li><li>Part-time</li><li>Contract</li><li>Internship</li><li>Temporary</li></ul>	<b>DENTAL HYGIENIST</b> AN UNNAMED COMPANY - Hamilton, ON DENTAL HYGIENIST Position available in bright, modern Stoney Creek office, 2-3 days/week E-mail Resume, ATTN: Human Resources dental.resumes.hr@gmail.com... From Workopolis - 13 days ago

### Try these questions on your own:

1. Complete the Career Matchmaker assessment. Based on your interests, likes & dislikes, what are the top 5 careers that you are well-suited for?
2. Find information about a career you are interested in. What are the names of some schools in Ontario that provide the education & training required for that career?
3. Your teenager is interested in studying marine biology in university. What universities in B.C. offer this program?
  - Select the Education tab (blue) at top of screen
  - Select Search for Programs
  - Type "Marine biology" in the search box provided
4. Your spouse is considering a career change. He is interested in history and has always enjoyed visiting museums. You do a search for information about Curators but it doesn't quite sound like what your spouse would be interested in. What are some related careers?
  - Select the Careers tab (blue) at top of screen
  - Type "Curator" in the search box provided
  - Select the "Related Careers" tab in the General Information category on the left-side of screen

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