

# Career Conversation Starters for Tutors

These open-ended questions are designed to help tutors gently explore learners' interests, strengths, and goals. You do not need to ask every question; simply choose what feels natural and appropriate for your learner.

## Getting to Know the Learner

- ★ What do you enjoy doing in your free time?
- ★ What are you most proud of accomplishing so far?
- ★ What kinds of tasks or activities do you enjoy most?

## Exploring Work and Life Goals

- ★ What kind of work have you done in the past?
- ★ Is there a job or career you've ever been curious about?
- ★ What would you like your life or work to look like in a few years?

## Connecting Learning to Goals

- ★ How do you think improving your reading, English, or math could help you in your daily life or work?
- ★ What skills would you like to build to feel more confident at work or school?
- ★ Are there words, skills, or situations you want to practice that relate to work or school?

## Encouraging Reflection and Next Steps

- ★ What feels like a good next step for you right now?
- ★ What support do you think would help you move forward?
- ★ Would you like to explore jobs or training options together sometime?

## Reminder:

Tutors are guides, not career counselors. These conversations are about listening, building trust, and helping learners explore what's possible at their own pace.