

UNDERSTANDING YOUR OPTIONS

How much do you know about tertiary education now?

Please circle the most appropriate answer.

1. Which of these qualifications can't you do straight from school?

- A bachelors degree
- B diploma
- C national certificate
- D postgraduate diploma

2. Which type of qualification always takes more than one year to complete?

- A diploma
- B degree
- C certificate
- D all of the above

3. Which tertiary education provider might offer a course that will help you become a chef?

- A a polytechnic
- B an institute of technology
- C a private training establishment
- D any of the above

4. There are hundreds of these tertiary education providers in New Zealand. What are they?

- A polytechnics
- B industry training organisations
- C private training establishments
- D universities

5. Which of the following is not a benefit of workplace training?

- A The ITO will find me a job.
- B I'll earn money as I learn, so I may not need a student loan.
- C I'll earn a national qualification while I'm working.
- D I'll learn theory and practical skills at the same time.

6. Which of these factors is least likely to be important when you apply for a course?

- A Your previous knowledge.
- B Where you live.
- C The likelihood you will complete the course.
- D Your ability to learn independently.

7. Why would you consider taking a pre-trade training course?

- A To gain knowledge and practical skills for an apprenticeship.
- B To get enough credits to get into a polytech course.
- C It's a requirement for anyone wanting to get into trades.
- D I will be guaranteed a job at the end of the course.

8. Which of these might not be a good reason for taking a gap year?

- A I have no idea what I want to study at university.
- B I want to check out Aussie with my mates.
- C I want to take up a trade but I can't decide which one – building, joinery, tiling?
- D I love playing the trumpet but I'm not sure if I want to make it a career – maybe it's just a leisure thing.