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# STAY ON TRACK: YOUR GUIDE TO WINNING WITH VET<sup>🎓</sup>





# Why should you care?

## What is VET, and why does it matter for your future?



Vocational Education and Training (VET) gives you direct access to skills, knowledge, and hands-on experience for a successful career. With VET you the chance to learn by doing, preparing you for in-demand jobs in industries like technology, healthcare, engineering, and business.


As VET studies are tailor to each career path you will learn exactly what you need to come out fully prepared and ready for the job market. Whether you want to start your own business, work with top employers, or continue your studies later, VET opens doors to a future full of possibilities.




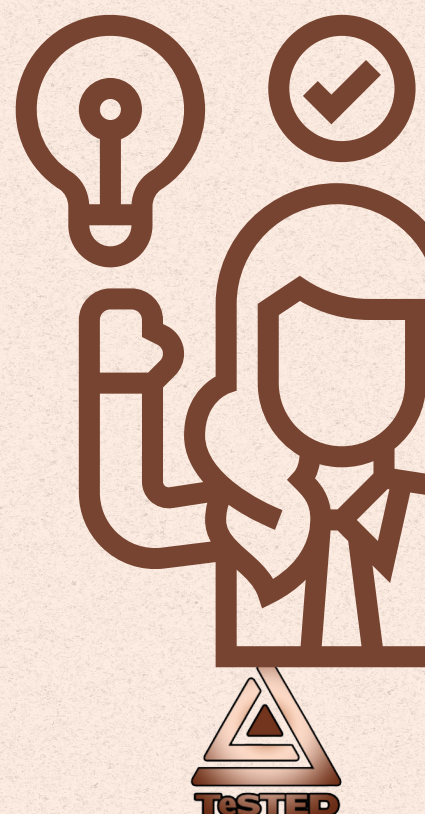
## What is VET, and why does it matter for your future?

If you're feeling unmotivated, have a hard time understanding your classes or fitting in, dropping out might seem like a good solution. But what will you be missing out on?

Here's the reality:

 **Higher salaries:** In most workplaces people with a VET qualification earn more than those who have not completed their studies

 **More job options:** Having a qualification increases your chances of employment and widens your options



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 Easier career growth: Having a diploma makes the journey of growing your career a lot smoother

Finishing your studies and having a VET qualification increases your chances in finding a stable job with a good salary. Getting to the finishing line but seem tough but the rewards are worth it and you will be free to achieve the future you wish for yourself.

So before making a big decision think of the opportunities ahead of you!



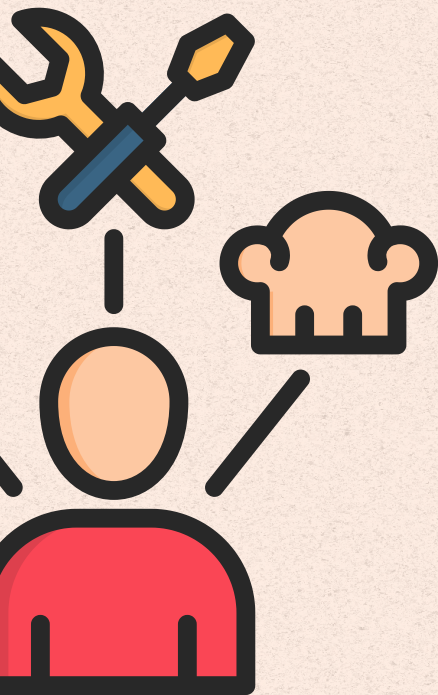
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# Understanding VET in Your Country

## How does VET work in Bulgaria?



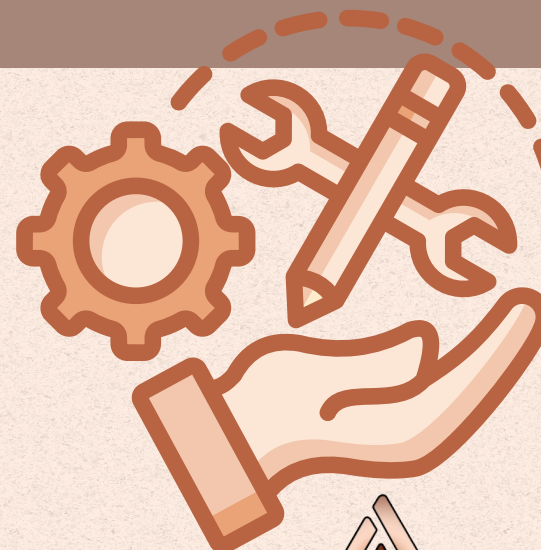
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## What are the benefits?

- Apprenticeships
- Hands-on training
- Job connections
- Other points



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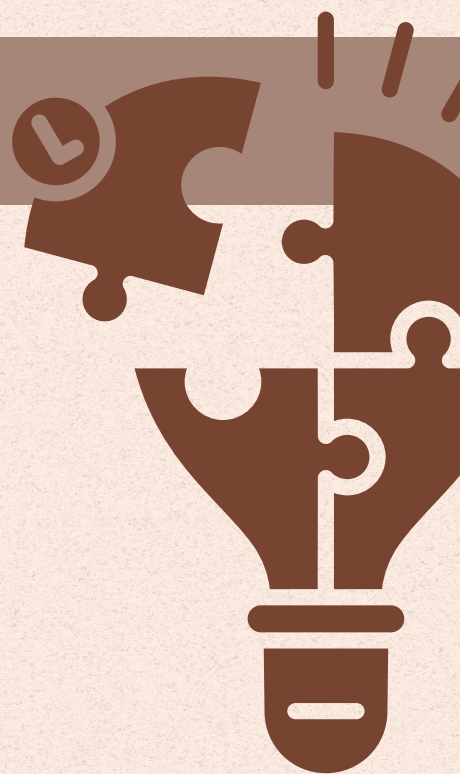
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## How to overcome challenges

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# Why Do Students Drop Out?

## Struggling with school work?



- Ask for Help Early – If you notice you're struggling reach out to teachers, friends or counselor so you don't fall too far behind
- Use Online Resources – There are a lot of platforms like YouTube, Coursera, SkillsLab which explain difficult topics and can give you a better understanding
- Form a Study Group – Your friends might understand topics you don't and vice versa. Study groups are an easy way to making studying fun and motivational
- Break It Down – Tackle each topic one by one instead of trying to understand it all at once, which can be overwhelming
- Take Advantage of School Support – Many VET schools offer extra tutoring, mentoring programs, or even mental health support—don't be afraid to use them!



## Financial problems?

- Check Government Grants & Scholarships – Many countries offer financial aid for VET students. Look for national or regional programs that support education and training.
- Ask Your School for Support – VET schools often have their own scholarships, tuition assistance programs, or connections to funding opportunities—talk to your advisor or financial aid office.
- Look for Industry-Specific Sponsorships – Companies in fields like technology, healthcare, or engineering sometimes offer scholarships or apprenticeships that include financial support.



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## Feeling unmotivated?



- Set Clear Goals – Remember what motivated you to choose this study and set manageable milestones
- Focus on the Hands-On Learning – VET is all about practical experience! Find joy in learning real-world skills that directly connect to your future job.
- Talk to Professionals – Talk to someone in your chosen field to find out how they got to where they are and what tips they have
- Celebrate Small Wins – Nothing is learned all at once. Every new skill learned or completed task is a stepping stone towards achieving your final goal and having a satisfying career



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# What happens if you drop out?

## The reality



Dropping out of your studies and immediately entering the job market might seem like the more appealing option right now but you might be cutting yourself short in the long run!

With the job market becoming more and more competitive, having a VET qualification will give you a boost and access to more job opportunities. Many employers are looking for officially qualified employees which might make it harder if you do not have a diploma.

Completing your studies will result in higher salaries, more job options, higher chances of employment and a smoother transition study-to-labour market.

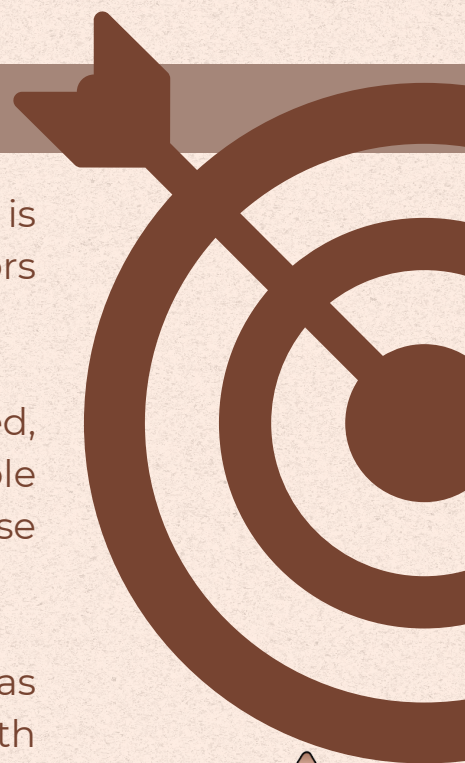


## Can you go back?

Finishing your studies and achieving your qualifications is important but sometimes there are unpredictable factors which get in the way,

The beauty of VET is that it's open to everyone interested, with no age restrictions. VET training centers have flexible programs which gives students the option to choose what is most suited to them.

However, sticking to your studies and finishing as soon as possible will give you the best chance in your career path so do your best to focus and finish what you started!



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# What happens if you drop out?

## Stories from Drop Outs



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# How to Stay on Track and Succeed in VET

## Use your support system



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## Make learning work for you

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## Set goals for your future

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