

MY PERSONALITY TRAITS

RATE YOUR PERSONALITY SKILLS   

Passion and drive	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Confidence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resilience	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Self discipline	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business aptitude	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Gaps and action plan:

Note down weaker areas and identify opportunities to improve your skills and knowledge. As your own boss you need to look ahead and find the time to build self development into your work life.
MORE AT: [HTTP://INN1.TO/IS-IT-FOR-ME](http://innl.to/is-it-for-me)

MY CASH PROVISIONS

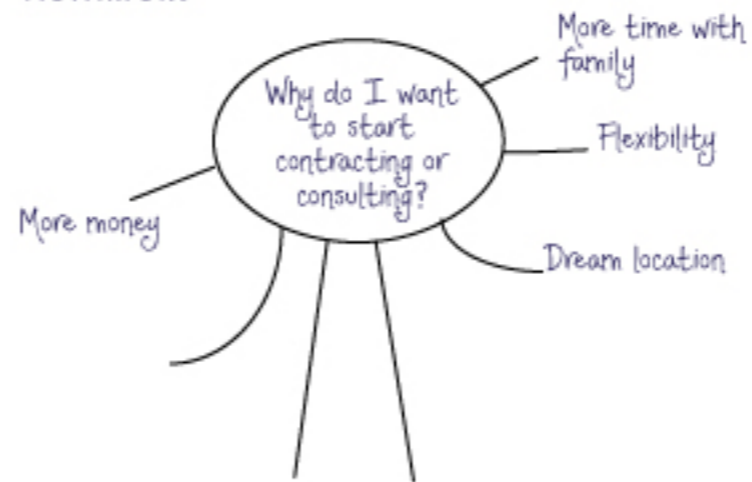
BUILD YOUR CASH CUSHION

TYPICAL MONTHLY OUTGOINGS	££
Living expenses	_____
Mortgage	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
Insurance	_____
Accountancy fees	_____
TOTAL	£ _____
X 3 MONTHS =	£ <input type="text"/>

Estimate your monthly costs and financial risks, such as mortgage, living expenses and time off, and build a cash cushion to cover an unexpected three months' gap in earnings. That way, if you can't work for a period of time, you are able to cover the necessities.
MORE AT: [HTTP://INN1.TO/BIZ-PLAN](http://innl.to/biz-plan)

MY DRIVERS FOR CHANGE

LIST YOUR TOP MOTIVATORS



Make a list your own reasons to start a business. If you enjoy making your own decisions on where, when and how you work, then contracting or consulting can be a rewarding career change, one few turn back from. Remember your top motivators for the future and focus your best efforts on improving your lifestyle.

MORE AT: [HTTP://INN1.TO/5REASONS](http://innl.to/5reasons)

WHAT I'LL MISS FROM PERMANENT JOB

WHAT WOULD YOU RATHER KEEP?

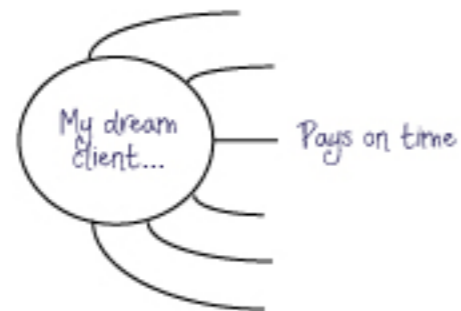


Write down the perks you'll miss from permanent employment, such as paid holidays and sick leave, private healthcare or gym membership, and plan how to afford them with your new role. We know the sense of security is second to none but, fortunately, building your own stability might be easier than you think.

MORE AT: [HTTP://INN1.TO/BARRIERS](http://innl.to/barriers)

MY IDEAL CONTRACT

DESCRIBE HOW YOUR NEW ROLE WILL SUPPORT YOUR IDEAL LIFESTYLE



I want to work _____ months per year...

...from my favourite location _____

...and when I'm not contracting, I'll be _____

Take the plunge and follow your dreams. It can be daunting, but often the barriers we perceive are simply elements that need more clarity or action. Start making grand plans; dream, think, chat, mull over your ideas. Stop asking "Why" and start saying "Why not!" With careful planning, it needn't be daunting to make a life-enhancing change.

MORE AT: [HTTP://INN1.TO/DREAMBIG](http://innl.to/dreambig)



MARKET RESEARCH

ASSES YOUR SKILLS AND FIND 10 REAL CONTRACT JOBS YOU COULD DO STRAIGHT AWAY:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Do I have experience? | <input type="checkbox"/> Talk to other contractors you know |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Are my skills in demand? | <input type="checkbox"/> Contact several recruitment agents |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Do I have network to tap in? | <input type="checkbox"/> Hand in your notice and resign |

ROLE	LOCATION	£ RATE	LENGTH
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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AVERAGE: £

Maximise your opportunities by maintaining your online presence and keeping your CV and LinkedIn profile fresh. Finding the right contract can be trial and error at first. The majority of independent professionals source contracts through their previous career networks, or build strong relationships with one or two agencies to secure new roles.

MORE AT: [HTTP://INN1.TO/FIND-WORK](http://innl.to/find-work)

FINAL STEPS

NOW YOU'RE JUST A STEP AWAY FROM THE START. DO YOU HAVE EVERYTHING YOU NEED?

- Save money
- _____
- _____
- _____
- Call recruitment agent
- Resign
- Appoint accountant
- _____
- Start contracting!

Take charge of your own career and discover your new flexible, focused and fulfilling lifestyle. Remember you can always return to working for someone else, but it usually leads to not wanting to go back to working for someone else.

MORE AT: [HTTP://INN1.TO/READY](http://innl.to/ready)