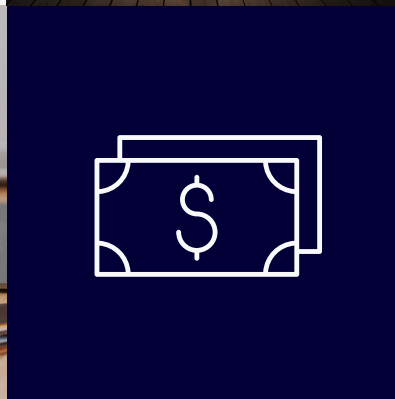


The Career Blueprint: Design Your Path to Success

Welcome to *Your Career Roadmap*, a one-stop workbook designed to guide you through the process of mapping out your career goals.

The actionable tips, step-by-step exercises, and worksheets you'll find here will help you identify the skills you need and create easy-to-execute plans to achieve your ambitions.

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Before You Begin

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Psst! This is your workbook. Personalize it by jotting down notes, adding your own thoughts, or even doodling in the margins. Get creative!



CHAPTER 01

Defining Your Career Goals

Whether you're dreaming of climbing the corporate ladder, pivoting to a new industry, or launching your own business, this chapter is all about getting crystal clear on your goals.

Exercise 1: Visualizing Your Future

Close your eyes and imagine it's 5-10 years from now. You're living your dream career. What does it look like?

What's your typical day like?

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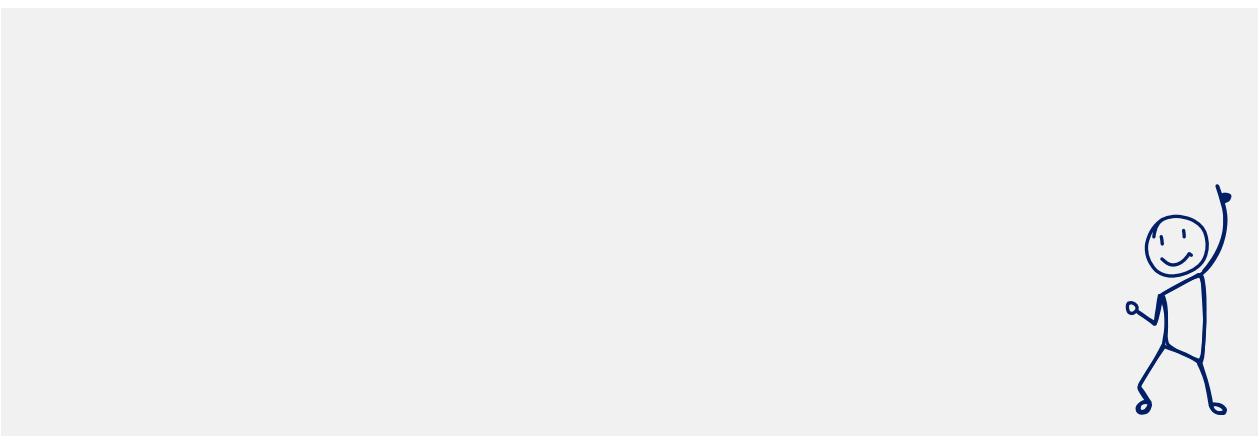
What cool job title do you have?

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How are you making a difference in the world?

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Jot down your vision (and hey, why not add a little sketch if you're feeling artsy?)



Exercise 2: Setting SMART Goals

Using the SMART framework, let's turn that vision into actionable goals.

SPECIFIC	What exactly do you want to achieve?
MEASURABLE	How will you know when you've reached it?
ACHIEVABLE	Is it realistic?
RELEVANT	Does it align with your overall life goals?
TIME-BOUND	When do you want to achieve this?

Example



Not-so SMART goal:

"Get a better job"



The SMART version:

"Secure a project manager position in a tech startup, increasing my salary by 20%, within the next 18 months."

Now, you try! Create at least 3 SMART career goals.

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CHAPTER 02

Identifying the Necessary Skills

In this chapter, we're going to dig into your skillset and discover what awesome abilities you already have and what new tricks you might need to learn along the way.

Exercise 1: Take Inventory of Your Skills

Think back to some of your proudest moments—what skills did you use to achieve them?

Now:

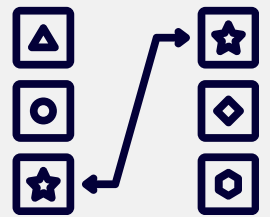
Play matchmaker. Which of these skills are perfect for your career goals? Jot them down below.

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Time for some dreaming. What new skills would be total game-changers for reaching your goals? List those too.

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Exercise 2: Research & Resources

Now that we know what skills you need, let's figure out how to get them.

✓ **PICK ONE SKILL FROM YOUR 'SKILLS I NEED' LIST.**

✓ **WHERE CAN YOU LEARN THIS SKILL?**

Put on your detective hat. Where can you learn this skill? Think courses, books, online tutorials, or that friend who's a total pro.

✓ **TAKE ACTION**

Write down at least 3 ways you could start learning this skill this week.

My Skill-Building Plan



Skill I want to learn

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How I'll learn it

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WORKSHEET

Let's put it all together! Use this space to create your skills development plan.

Remember, Rome wasn't built in a day – be realistic with your timelines.



Skill Development Plan



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Bonus challenge

What's one tiny step you can take today towards learning a new skill? Write it down and commit to doing it before bed!

My tiny step is

A man with glasses and a woman are in a meeting. The man is holding a pen and pointing at a whiteboard. The woman is looking at the whiteboard. The background is a blurred office setting.

CHAPTER 03

Creating Actionable Plans

Time for our most fun chapter. You'll be creating a game plan that'll turn those dreams into reality. Ready to roll up those sleeves? Let's begin!

Exercise 1: Breaking Down Goals

We'll start by slicing and dicing those big goals you set into bite-sized pieces. Here's how:

GRAB YOUR FAVORITE GOAL FROM CHAPTER 1.

NOW, LET'S PLAY CONNECT THE DOTS.

What steps do you need to take to get from where you are now to that goal?

TAKE ACTION

What are your pit stops along the way?

Show me what you made of!

Goals

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Steps

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Exercise 2: Overcoming Obstacles

Remember: Every challenge is an opportunity to learn and grow. Here's how to be prepared:

THINK ABOUT YOUR GOAL.
What could potentially trip you up?

HOW WOULD YOU LEAP OVER THESE OBSTACLES?
(seeking support, adjusting your timelines, finding alternative resources...etc.)

WORKSHEET

Use this space to map out your journey, complete with tasks, deadlines, and victory dances.

Map out your journey!

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***Bonus:** Which part of your action plan excites you the most? What could potentially hold you back?*

CHAPTER 04

Staying Motivated & Reflecting on Progress

Let's be real – even the most exciting journeys can hit a few bumps along the way. This chapter is all about keeping that motivation and making sure you're on the right track.

Exercise 1: Motivation Boosters

What keeps you motivated? Vision boards? A certain playlist? Regular rewards after reaching milestones? Write them down!

Your Motivation Boosters:



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Psst! Stick these boosters where you can see them daily. Your bathroom, mirror, desk, or even as your phone wallpaper!

WORKSHEET

Use this handy-dandy template for your monthly check-ins. Feel free to add more questions that are meaningful to you!



Month:

Wins to Celebrate

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Challenges I Overcame:

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Am I still jazzed about my goals? YES / NO

If no, what needs to change?

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My focus for next month:

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One thing I'm proud of:

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Bonus Challenge: Gratitude Boost

Write down three things you're grateful for in your career journey right now:

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Exercise 2: Reflecting on Your Journey

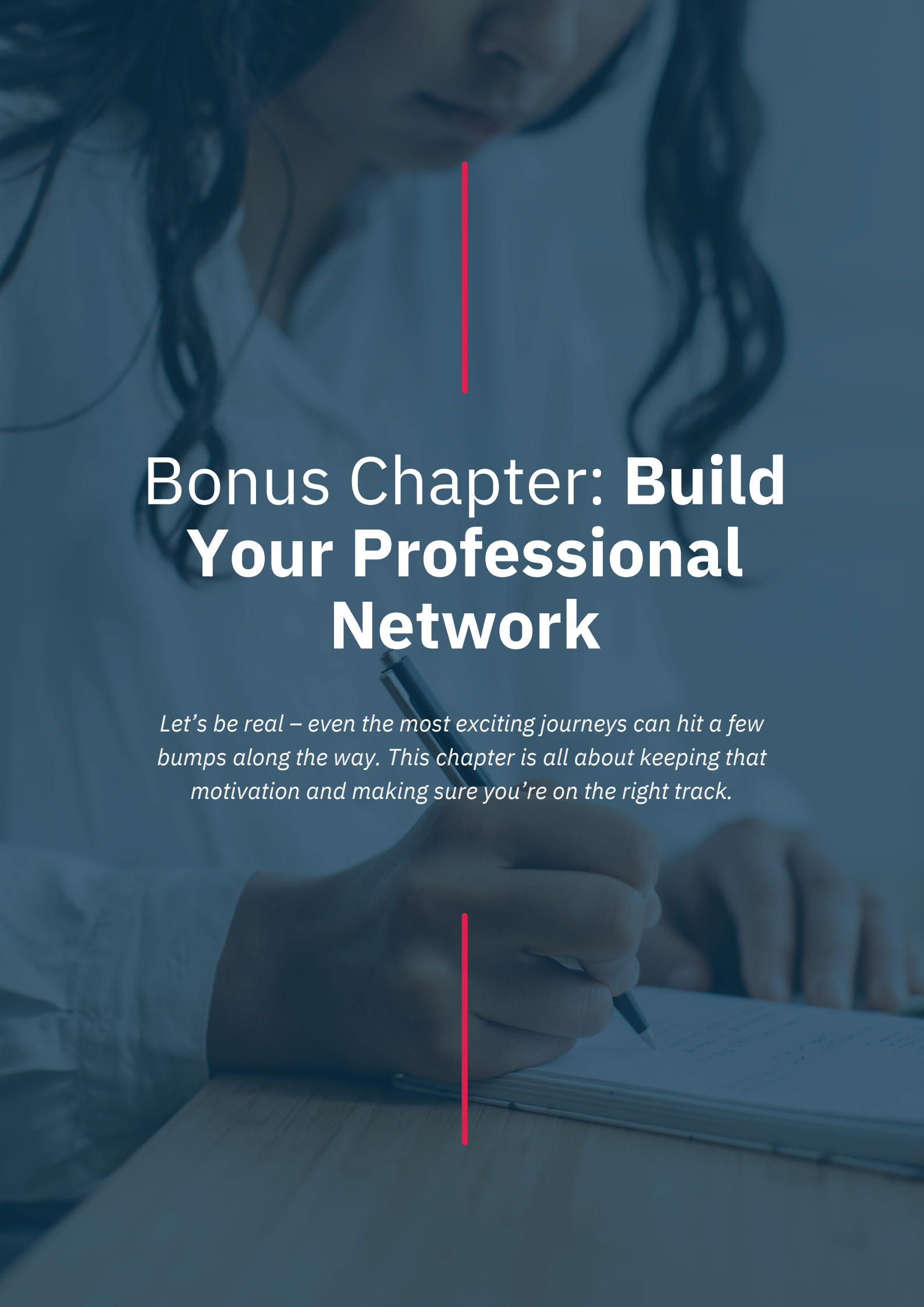
Since you're investing in yourself—as you would a business—periodically reflecting on your journey is crucial.

HERE'S A SYSTEM TO KEEP YOU ON TRACK:

1. Pick a day each month for your career check-up
(Tip: Set a recurring reminder on your phone)

2. During the check-up, ask yourself:





Bonus Chapter: **Build Your Professional Network**

Let's be real – even the most exciting journeys can hit a few bumps along the way. This chapter is all about keeping that motivation and making sure you're on the right track.

Exercise 1: Mapping Your Current Network

Who's already in your corner? Let's see:

- GRAB A PIECE OF PAPER**
What steps do you need to take to get from where you are now to that goal?
- CREATE THREE COLUMNS: MENTORS, PEERS, AND POTENTIAL COLLABORATORS**
- START FILLING IN NAMES**
Don't overthink it, jot down everyone that pops in your head.

Network Map

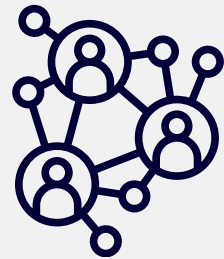
Mentors	Peers	Potential Collaborators
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Exercise 2: Expanding Your Network

Now, let's think about growing your network. Here's how I recommend doing that:

- 1 Brainstorm at least 3 ways you could meet new people in your industry. **Some ideas:**

- Attend a local meetup or conference
- Join a relevant LinkedIn group
- Volunteer for a cause related to your field



- 2 Time for some dreaming. What new skills would be total game-changers for reaching your goals? List those too.

My networking challenge:

I'll do this by (date):

- 3 Nurture each relationship. Set reminders to check in with your connections regularly.

WORKSHEET

In the table below:

- Categorize your connections
- Rate the strength of each relationship on a scale of 1 to 5
- Note how often you interact with each other
- Evaluate each contact's relevance to your career goals (e.g. provides valuable insights, can offer career opportunities... etc.)



Network Rating

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End of the Road

Congratulations on completing *Your Career Roadmap!*

Now that you've!

- ✔ **DEFINED YOUR GOALS**
- ✔ **IDENTIFIED THE NECESSARY SKILLS NEEDED TO ACHIEVE**
- ✔ **CREATED A VIABLE ACTION PLAN**

You've set yourself on a path toward a fulfilling and successful career.



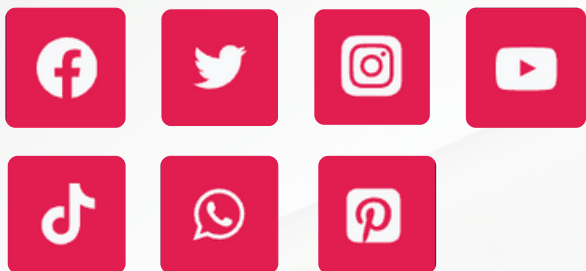
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Remember, consistent effort and a positive mindset are key to your success. Stay focused, stay motivated, and don't hesitate to reach out!

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