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## Option for a Second Career: How Do You Get a Job After Retirement?

Most people are terrified by retirement, and it is not because they feel insecure about their finances. They fear the feeling of redundancy; they fear that after retirement they can no longer lead a productive and satisfactory life. However, this need not be your concern because you now have the option of planning a second career post retirement.

This second career will ensure that you have enough satisfaction as well as money in your senior years, while keeping your spirits high and your days busy. Here are few top tips to help you build an "encore career" as it is popularly known:

1. **Choose Your 'Encore Career' Carefully** - Most people look at their post-retirement careers as an opportunity to fulfill the dreams of their youth. This is a very good thing to do, provided it is possible to do so keeping in mind the physical constraints that come with age. Choose something that will give you the greatest satisfaction, provide additional income, engage you long enough every day and keep you excited to get up in the morning.
2. **Update Your Skills to Match Your Proposed Second Career** - Make a list of what skills you possess and what you need to acquire in order to do justice at the second career you are planning to take after your retirement. Get an internship, enroll in an online course, sign up for evening classes - do all it takes to get the right qualifications for the job you plan to take after you retire. Do all the preparation well before you retire so the transition is almost seamless.
3. **Start Networking With the "Right People"** - Start building a network with like-minded people, people who know people who would like to offer you a job in the line of your interest. Networking is perhaps the best possible way to get the best start in your second career. Start building your network in the direction of your interest 3-5 years before you retire.
4. **Stay Focused on the Reason Why You Need the Post-Retirement Job** - This is the time for you to make a decision without any compulsion. If you have invested right, financial matters should not weigh too much on your shoulders; your prime concern should then be how to enjoy each day of your retired life. Be honest with yourself, because only then you will be able to find the right career path for you.

It is possible to lead an exceptionally full and happy life post retirement. You just need to find a second job. With the above tips, you cannot miss taking advantage of your post retirement career.