

# Free Personal Development Plan (PDP) Example Template



What are my big goals?	Which goals need to happen first?	When do I want to achieve this?	What obstacles might get in my way?	How can I improve my chances of meeting my goal?	Where can I go for support?	Review: How am I doing?
Saving a deposit:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Set aside 10% of my wage each month in an interest account that I cannot touch.</li> <li>2. Set a goal for how much I want to save and figure out how long it will take to get you there.</li> </ol>	I want to have a £X,000 deposit by the age of 27.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not putting money into account.</li> <li>• Unexpected bills such as my car breaking down.</li> <li>• Choosing an interest account that is unsuitable.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Get a bank account that I cannot access until 27.</li> <li>• Create a standing order that transfers money on payday.</li> <li>• Speak to an advisor at the bank to get best account for saving a deposit.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bank.</li> <li>• Financial advisors.</li> <li>• Parents</li> <li>• Friends who've gone through the process.</li> </ul>	
Completing a PhD:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Learn about the PhD application process.</li> <li>2. Find a suitable university and supervisor.</li> <li>3. Look at funding routes.</li> <li>4. Create and submit my PhD application.</li> <li>5. Work on my academic CV by publishing a paper in my chosen field and attending conferences..</li> <li>6. Networking with academics (online and at conferences).</li> </ol>	I would like to have found a funded PhD place by the end of 2018.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Missing out on PhD funding.</li> <li>• Lack of motivation.</li> <li>• Lack of knowledge or out of date knowledge.</li> <li>• A bad CV or application.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set up RSS feed and email alerts to notify me about new PhDs.</li> <li>• Keep focused on topic and continue to read around subject to keep up to date.</li> <li>• Read guides on how to apply and get advice on academic CV.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lecturers.</li> <li>• Careers advisors.</li> <li>• Websites like findaphd.co.uk and jobs.ac.uk.</li> <li>• University staff.</li> </ul>	

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