



# Top Tips To Get To The Top Role Model Seminar

**Date:** 7th May 2008  
**Time:** 5.45pm-8.45pm  
**Location:** Deptford Green Secondary School, Upper School, Amersham Vale,  
New Cross SE14 6LQ

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## Background

Once a week for the last two months Urban Synergy has been working with twelve boys from **Deptford Green School** to help them setup a role model seminar.

The boys are organising the event with refreshments on behalf of the whole of year nine and ten (pupils aged 14/15yrs).

They have called the event Top Tips To Get To The Top Role Model Seminar.

Their slogan is *"If you want to get above the rest come and meet the best!"*

Urban Synergy are providing professionals on the day to give the youngsters exposure to wide range of job types achievable which they might not have thought seriously about before.  
E.g. **Dentist, Pilot, Entrepreneurs, Photographer, Radio Producer etc..**

# Survey

We surveyed the 12 boys to find out their skill sets and as result they stated the professions they are aware of, would like to be and meet on the day. Please see below:-

	Best Qualities	Would like to be ..	Entry Level	Entry Qualifications	Salary after 3 years	Starting Salary	Subjects Enjoyed	Subjects Good At	Where to find out	Which companies	Who to talk to
1	Good Speaker	IT, Sociology, Estate (housing development), PE, Maths	Apprentice/Graduate	IT, Sociology, PE, GCSEs/A Levels, Degrees	25,000	20,000	PE, Maths, IT, Sociology, Science, English	IT, PE, Sociology, Science	Connections and People	Estate Agents, Schools, Council, Business	Connexions
2	Drawing	Architect or Engineer	Apprentice	A Degree	30,000-50,000	25,000-35,000	PE, Science, Art, D&T	PE, Science, Art, D&T	Don't know	Housing Associations, Local Councils, Property Developments	Don't know
3	Communicating, Comedian, Hand and Eye Coordination	Graphic Designer, Art Teacher	Graduate	IT, Art	40,000-50,000	20,000-30,000	Art, PE, Music	Art, PE, English	Google	Animation companies	A Graphic Designer
4	Making people laugh	Become a football coach		You do 4 different courses	Depends, up to 100,000	Depends on team's status, (team's position in the league)	Media, Maths, PE	Media, PE, Maths, IT	On the internet	Football Teams	Ex-footballers and coaches
5	My personality pasajist (sic)	Architecture	Apprenticeship	7 years at University	30,000-50,000 per year	10,000-15,000 per project	Art, PE, D&T	Art, PE, D&T	Friend, parents	Firms	Friends, parents
6	Art nand ICT and P.E.	Become an Architect	Graduate				P.E. Art, IT	PE, Art, ICT	Friends parent	Firm	
7	Intelligent and carefully thought out ideas	Doctor/Lawyer, then make something else after that.	Graduate	Don't know	It helps you a little when looking for a job.	Don't know	Maths, PE	PE, GCSE, History, Maths, PE	Not sure	Don't know	Someone who is in that application
8	I am a confident and outspoken person. I can articulate my points.	Physiotherapist, Doctor	Trainee	A Degree	After 5 years the pay ranges from 25,000-60,000	20,000+	English, Maths	Maths	Connections-Direct	NHS	A physio
9	Probably my humour	A Chef, Olympic Medalist or Both	Apprentice/Trainee	Fit, healthy and energetic. Be able to cook	Don't know	Don't know	PE, Art, IT	Food, PE and RE	On the internet and Job Agencies	Spots logos like Nike, Reebok etc. and Catering Companies, Restaurant owners	Someone who works in the field, my parents
10	My improvement in school	Musician (Rapper)	Graduate	Talent, originality, personality	Depends on success and hard work	Depends on contract	IT, English, PE, Maths	English, PE, Science, IT, Media Studies, Mathhs	Internet, books, Record company websites	Record companies	MOS DEF, Rappers or musicians (Depends on rappers I like)
11	My good listening	Doctor	Apprentice	Degree in Biology	Don't know	Don't know	PE, History	History		NHS	
12	Making people laugh, attracting girls	Anything to do with Sports					PE, Sociology, IT	PE, Sociology, IT, RE	Internet, family, school	Football companies	family

## Framework for the evening

- 5:45-6:10** Reception
- 6:15-6:25** Young boys welcome and introduction to  
Facilitator Kunle Babarinde Thomson Reuters Sales Specialist
- 6:25- 7:00** Panel discussion with professionals from each field  
  
Introducing themselves by saying what they do, employed or self employed, career path taken (inc. part time jobs), who is their role model, difficulties they encountered and how they worked around them, hobbies / other things they may do in there spare time, what motivated them then and now, next career steps, things they wished they had access to when they were teenagers, who inspired and supported them and advise the support networks available / used, and to share with the youngsters 3 top tips to get them to the top.
- 7:00 -7:20** Questions and Answers to Panel
- 7:20 – 7:50** Break (for food arranged by boys) and networking
- 7:50-8:40** Mentoring Round Tables  
  
Move into break out mentoring round tables e.g. IT, legal, sport, medicine, media, creative.. where the youngsters can listen to and ask questions directly to professions from a particular field
- 8:40** Young boys closure

*They're a great set of boys and if this is a success, which we're sure it will be - this workshop can be repeated for the youngsters in the other schools Urban Synergy work in London wide.*

