PATH 05 / BEGINNER / REVISION SHEET

Careers in Finance

Choose roles to explore, identify transferable skills and turn curiosity into a credible next step.

The path in three lessons

01	**Map the industry**	Choose a type of work and problem before choosing a job title.
02	**Build career capital**	Create visible proof of the skills you want employers to recognise.
03	**Network and apply**	Use informed curiosity, coherent evidence and feedback to improve.

Key language

Front office	Roles associated with clients, transactions, markets or revenue.
Operations	Processes that execute, settle, record and support activity.
Career capital	Skills, relationships, reputation and evidence expanding future options.
Work sample	A realistic output demonstrating how a candidate approaches a task.
Informational interview	A learning conversation about a role or career path.
Commercial awareness	Understanding how an organisation and its market create value.

RECALL / APPLY / DISCUSS

Questions worth keeping

Try answering these without notes. Then compare your reasoning with the prompts below.

01 What work, decisions and outputs sit inside this role?

02 What evidence proves the skill rather than merely naming it?

03 Can I explain why this firm, role and experience connect?

Answer prompts

01	Follow the work rather than the fame of a title.
02	Specific outputs, audiences and outcomes make evidence credible.
03	A coherent application connects motivation to relevant proof.

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