



ABOUT ME

My name is David.
I used to go to Headlands and now I am a Detective Sergeant.

ABOUT MY JOB

I supervise a team of detectives in what is a mainstream CID.

We investigate serious and complex crimes, this could be burglaries, series of thefts, robberies and assaults, ranging from minor to very serious, including attempted murder.

We undertake the investigation of the offences, the interviewing and processing of suspects and preparation of court files.

It sounds relatively simple, but there's a lot more to it.

SCHOOL RESULTS

I left Headlands in 1986 with five not very startling CSE grades.

MY CAREER CHANGE

I decided on a change of career and joined the police. I worked as a constable in uniform, was promoted to sergeant after four years and then worked as a patrol sergeant, a custody sergeant and then seven years ago transferred to plain clothes as a detective.

WHAT I DID NEXT

I did a YTS scheme and went to college to be a motor mechanic.

I worked as a mechanic for almost 13 years and then went back to college, this time to teach on the motorcycle mechanics course.

MY ADVICE TO STUDENTS

Do the very best you can in school, but if you don't get what you hope for, don't give up. There are plenty of opportunities available after school if you're willing to work hard to get them.