

Core Skills Analysis

Personal Development & Practical Skills

- Gained insight into the range of skills needed to work in a beauty salon, including customer service, hygiene, and technical beauty treatments.
- Developed understanding of the importance of professionalism and interpersonal communication when interacting with clients.
- Learned about the use of various beauty tools and products, fostering practical hand-eye coordination and attention to detail.
- Observed workplace organization and time management skills necessary for efficient salon operations.

Health & Safety Awareness

- Understood key hygiene practices such as sanitation of tools and maintaining a clean workspace to prevent infection.
- Learned about safety procedures to protect both staff and clients in a beauty salon environment.
- Recognized the importance of following specific protocols to ensure client well-being and staff accountability.

Entrepreneurship & Career Awareness

- Explored potential career paths in the beauty industry and skills required for success and advancement.
- Considered the elements of running or working in a service-focused business, including customer satisfaction and reputation.
- Gained awareness of the dedication and discipline required to build expertise and trust in a competitive industry.

Tips

To deepen understanding of skills learned in a beauty salon environment, encourage the student to role-play client and stylist scenarios with family or friends to practice communication, customer care, and technical skills like nail or hair care. Arrange for a virtual or real visit to a local salon to observe professionals in action and ask about their daily routines and challenges. Integrate lessons on health and safety by researching hygiene regulations and creating posters or digital presentations that highlight best practices. To explore business skills, help the student design a simple beauty salon business plan, including service menus, pricing, and marketing strategies, fostering entrepreneurial thinking.

Book Recommendations

- [The Beauty Bible: The Ultimate Beauty and Style Book](#) by Joanna Thornhill: A comprehensive guide to beauty treatments, products, and practical skills ideal for young teens interested in beauty careers.
- [So You Want to Be a Hairdresser?](#) by Jojo Egginton: An engaging introduction to hairdressing as a profession, covering skills, tools, and the day-to-day life of a hair stylist.
- [Entrepreneurship for Teens: A Guide to Starting and Running Your Own Business](#) by Susan West: A teenager-friendly guide to understanding business basics in a practical and accessible way.

Learning Standards

- Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education (PSHE): Understanding health, safety and

wellbeing in practical environments.

- National Curriculum English: Developing speaking and listening skills through client interaction role-plays (English KS3 Speaking and Listening).
- Design and Technology: Applying practical skills and understanding hygiene and safety standards in a real-world context (D&T KS3).

Try This Next

- Design a step-by-step worksheet to outline proper hygiene and sanitation procedures used in a beauty salon.
- Create a role-play prompt where the student practices consulting with a client about their preferences and offers suitable beauty treatments.

Growth Beyond Academics

This activity encourages development of confidence through practicing interpersonal communication and professionalism. It also fosters curiosity about potential career options and responsibility by understanding health and safety requirements, promoting a sense of independence and motivation to pursue practical skills.