

Resource 1: *Career choices***Teacher**

My whole family is very sporty and my uncle was a professional football player. When I was at school, I enjoyed playing sports but I realised I didn't want to pursue it as a career. I always loved being around kids - I have three younger sisters and my Mum is a teacher. I used to go and help my Mum set up her classroom during the summer holidays. When I left school, I got a job as a teaching assistant, and I really loved it! I decided to start a teacher training course. At the time, some of my friends wondered why I pursued teaching - all of our teachers had been women, and mostly white. But I loved my first school placement, I discovered it was so rewarding helping kids to learn. I hope to be a headteacher one day.

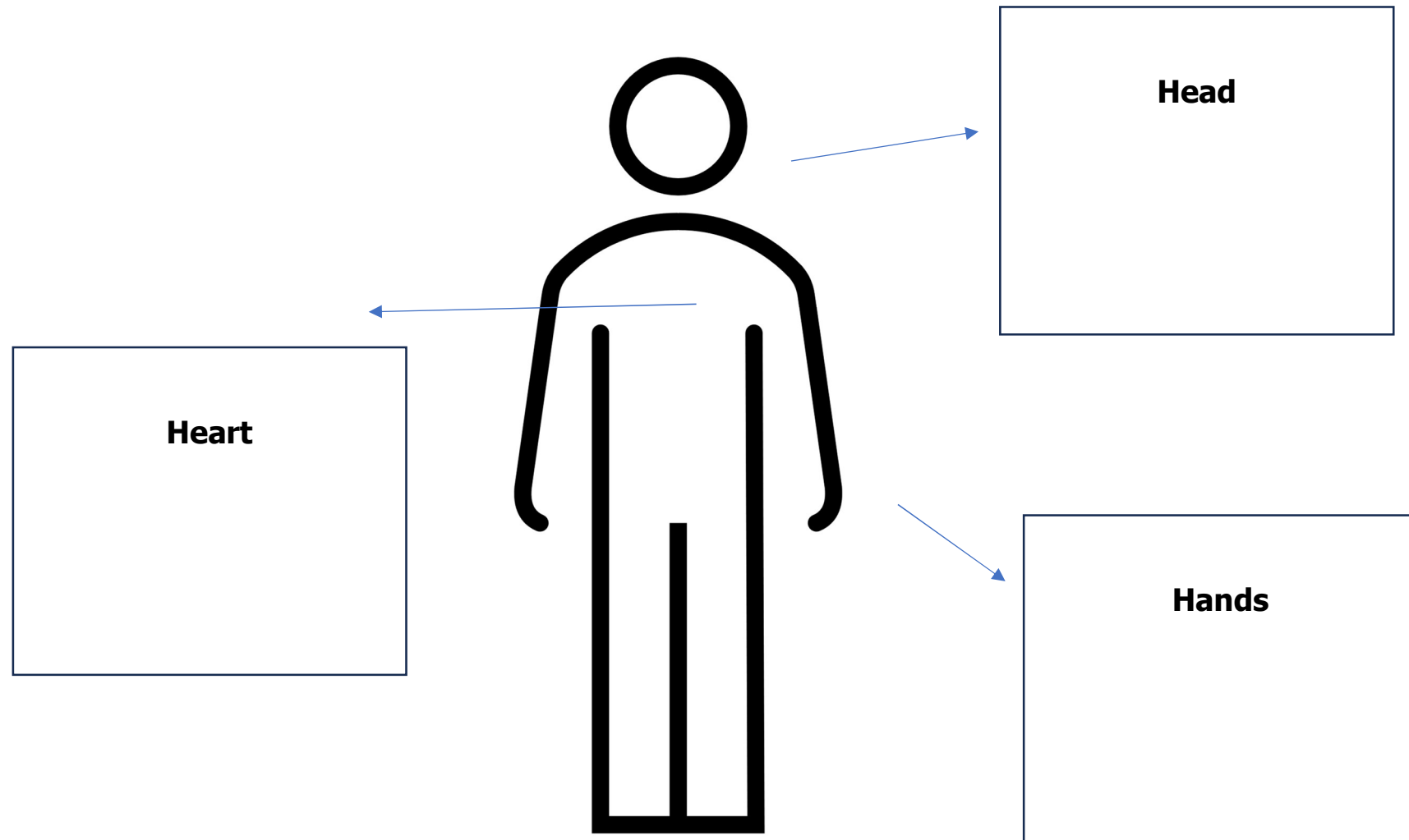
Paramedic

I started my career as a florist - I really enjoyed working with customers and putting together flower arrangements. Unfortunately, the shop had to close. Instead of looking for another florist's job, I considered retraining in an area where I could help others and have more excitement. I saw an advert online to train as a paramedic and decided to go for it. I had really enjoyed working with people in my old job and being a paramedic means I can really make a difference and help others. I am the oldest in my team and some people ask, 'how did you pass the fitness test?'. Sometimes this makes me even more determined to do it!

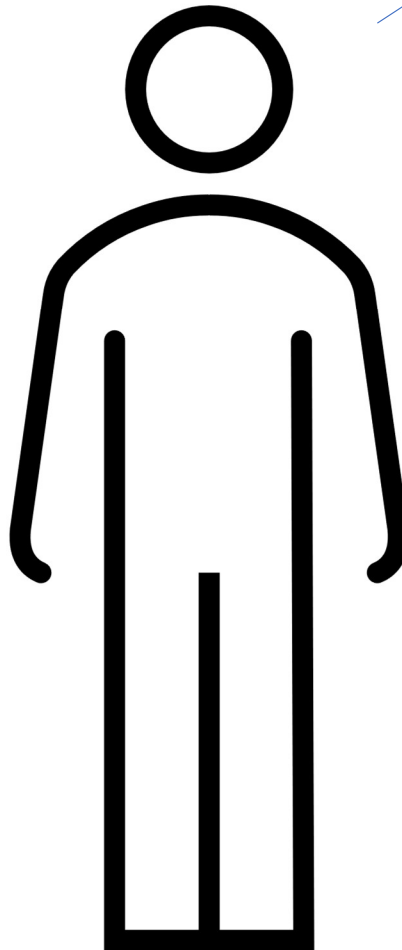
Dancer

I always loved any kind of movement, and from a young age I was agile. I loved gymnastics and P.E. at school. I started dancing at a local club. My Dad was very supportive and would take me to competitions. I applied to performing arts school and won a scholarship. I did find it hard at times though - I'm deaf and it means I access the music differently, through feeling the vibrations rather than hearing. I have experienced some discrimination, sometimes people have questioned how I can dance if I can't hear the music. With the right support, I can keep learning and achieve my goal of being in a West End musical - I'd love to become a role model for younger deaf dancers.

Resource 2: *Head, heart, hands*



Resource 2a: *Head, heart, hands - sentences*



Head

One stereotype about being a police officer is _____

Heart

I think Priya is feeling _____

about becoming a police officer.

Hands

To achieve the goal of becoming a police officer, Priya could



Resource 3: Career journeys

Barack Obama

Barack Obama was the 44th president of the U.S.A. His election made history as he was the country's first African- American president. He worked on community projects and then studied law at university. He was a lawyer then went on to work in local government before he was elected in 2004.

Leah Williamson

Leah Williamson started playing football at 6 years old and was the star striker on her team. "I was the only girl in the team," she says. Leah has won six major trophies and has captained the England team. She made a speech about the impact of gender stereotypes – "We need to harness the power of sport and make sure we don't leave girls behind".