

A New Approach to Learning!

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What is GCF LearnFree?

A free educational website focusing on technology, job training, reading, and math skills. The site is a program of Goodwill International of Eastern NC Inc. It helps people learn essential 21st century skills.

What makes it so great? Why should I use it?

Their major feature is they offer tutorials that are designed around **self-paced instruction**. Nothing requires immediate response. You can proceed at your own pace and interest level.

No registration required. You can create a free account to track their learning history and of completed tutorials if you wish.

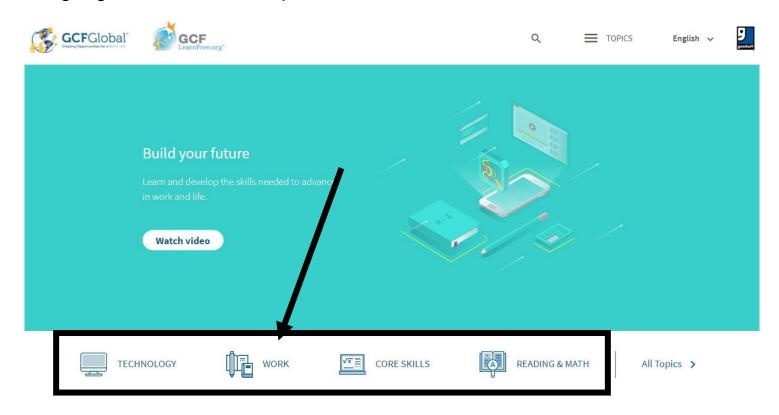
How do I access all this great information?

Go to <u>www.randquest.org</u> and select our **Online Learning** tab on the left side of the page to open a drop-down menu showing a link to "Goodwill Community Foundation Learn-Free" (GCF LearnFree).



How it works (Navigating the site)

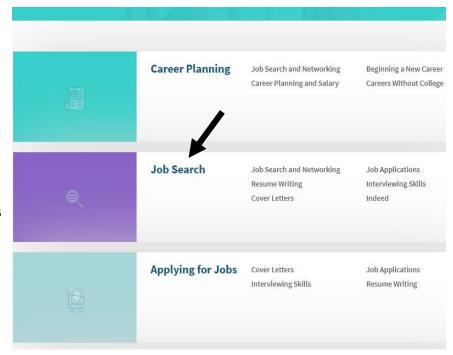
You will be taken to the homepage where you are offered several choices. The most popular topics are located on the center of the page. In this example we are going to select the Work topic.



You have several different options to help you advance in your career.

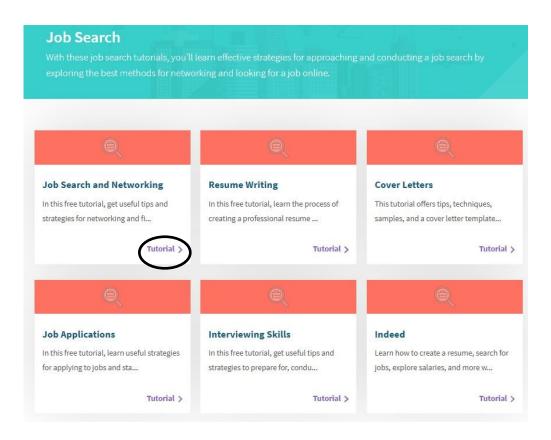
These lessons will help you plan your career, apply for jobs, balance work life, and get the training needed to succeed in today's marketplace.

We are going to delve deeper and look specifically at what is offered in the job search section.



How it works (cont.)

You are offered six useful lessons to help you or others in their job search. We are going to look at what is offered on **Job Search and Networking**. Click on the title or **Tutorial** located in the bottom right of the box.



Job Search and Networking

Job Search Savvy

Learn about adopting the right mindset and using different methods for your job search.

Find a Job Online

Use these tips for finding a job online.

Networking Basics

Learn the basics of networking and how helpful it can be in your job search.

Job Hunt with Social Media

Learn more about finding a job using social media.

Personal Branding 101

Learn the basics of developing your own personal brand, both online and offline.

All tutorials are broken up into several different chapters with a brief explanation before going forward.

This helps you choose what you want to learn about and what you don't.

We are going to select Chapter 1: Job Search Savvy to see a brief example.

You progress through the chapter by scrolling down at your own pace. You will find the embedded YouTube video on your subject as you continue.

> Searching for job can be a difficult and lengthy process. Even after you've adopted the right mindset and started using a variety of job search strategies, it can be difficult to stay motivated if your search isn't going as well as you had hoped.

Try your best to stay positive and set goals for your job-hunting activities. Goals can help you measure your progress and add structure to your job search. You might also consider creating a support network of friends and family members who are also looking for new opportunities. You'll be able to share your experiences and help encourage one another to keep searching.



Watch this video from Monster UK to learn more about staying motivated when conducting a job search.



Log in to save your progress

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Upon completion of a chapter, you return to the title page where the text has become grey along with a small checkmark appears showing you have visited it.

Search Button

Located in the top-right hand side of the website is a magnifying glass that allows you to search the site when you are looking for something specific.



Clicking on the search button will open a feature on the far left-hand side of the screen where you can type in your request.



In this example we searched smartphones.

Search: "smartphones" Lessons & Tutorials About 4,320 results (0.21 seconds) Sort by: Relevance

Smartphones & Tablets Tutorials at GCFGlobal

Get to know your device better so you can do more with the smartphones and tablets you use every day. Set up and maintain ...

Buying Smartphones Tutorial at GCFGlobal

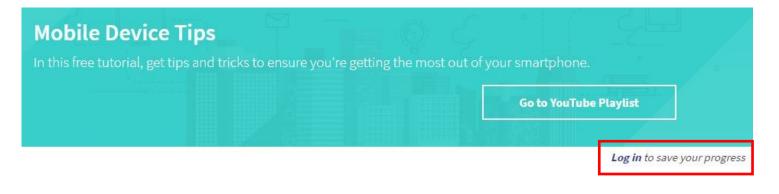
In the market for a new smartphone? Use this guide to know what to look for and how to compare the features available on to...

Above are some of the most relevant results from our search. Click on any of the tutorial titles to learn more or enter a new search using the magnifying glass again located in the top-right hand side of the website.

*The search button is always available at the top-right section of the website regardless of which page you are on.

Creating an free account & why you should

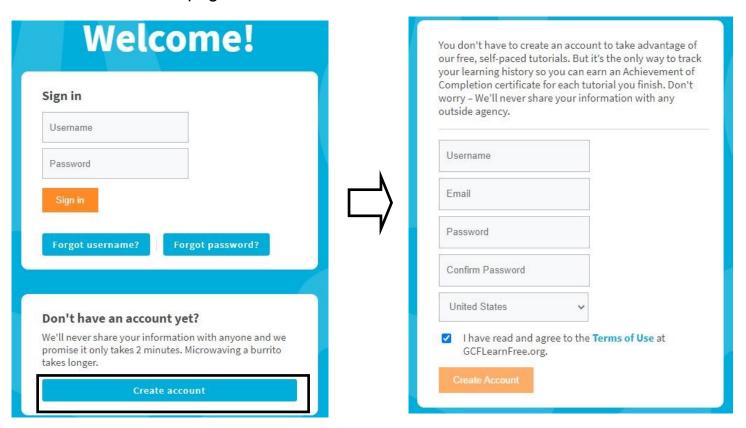
Creating an account is quick and easy and can be found on any page you are on when doing a tutorial. Click on **Log in**.



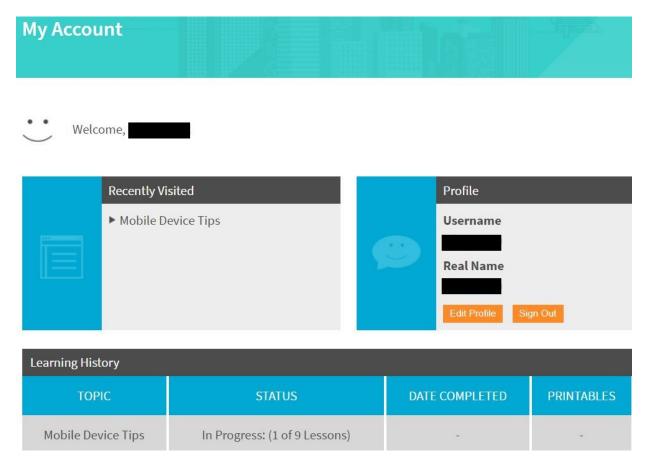
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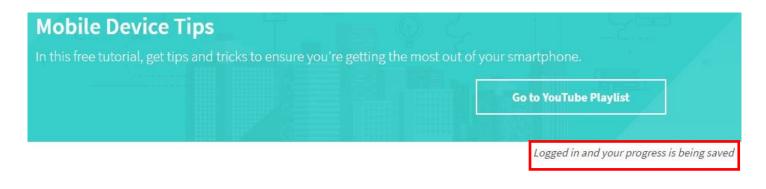
Click on **create account** at the bottom the page.



Follow the next steps to create a unique username and password to log in and see your progress as you use the site in the future.



Once logged in you will see what you are learning, your status and when you have fully completed a tutorial.



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You will see that you are logged in while using a tutorial on the right-hand side. Your progress is being automatically saved onto your account so that you can come back in the future to complete any unfinished tutorials and see past completed ones.

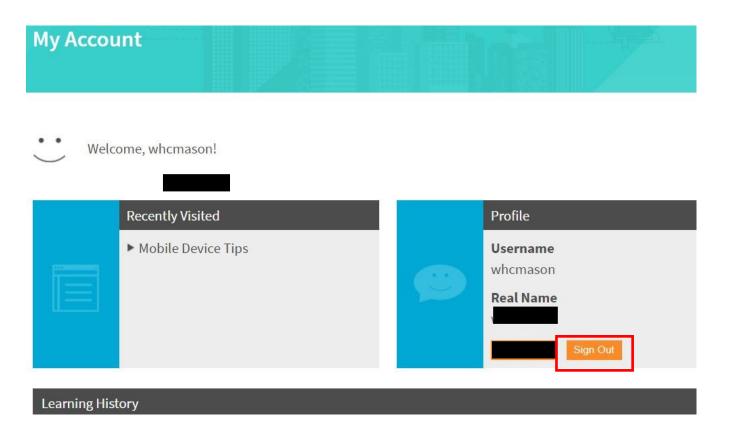
Logging Out of Your Account

If you want to sign out, you must return to your account. Scroll down to the bottom of the website and click on **My Account** on the right.

Note: You can find this on any page you are on.



When you return to your account, click on the **SIGN OUT** button on the right to log out. This can be useful if you are using a public computer and don't want others using the site under your account information.



We're Here to Help

Call us at **336-318-6803** or stop by anytime to setup a free one-on-one appointment at a time that's convenient for you with at the Asheboro Public Library.

