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### How I crossed from one sector to another

The idea for the article came from attending a workshop held by the CILIP group Careers and Development. In a question and answer session with Sue Hill, from Sue Hill Recruitment, came the question:

"If a person has been working in the same job for a number of years, will they be able to work at something totally different or in a different type of company to the one they are currently employed in?"

I have been working in the information sector for 5 years. I began working for a small company called European Marketing Systems, in London, as a database administrator. The company compiles and provides mailing lists for business use only. In time my job expanded so that as well as maintaining the lists, I did the research too. I had to learn how to seek information using primary and secondary sources as the company does not subscribe to any business databases.

I did an MA in Information Services Management at London Metropolitan University in September 2003 and finished in January 2005. As part of my course, I did a work placement for 5 weeks and went to a law library at Russell Jones and Walker. I learnt how to do loose-leaf filing and circulating journals. Although I did not do any research, I gained some insight into how a law library works.

In November 2004, I started work as a library assistant at the Women's Library which is part of London Metropolitan University, but I didn't have any academic library knowledge at all, and my only library experience was through my work placement. I was given the job because of the following reasons: I had a little bit of library experience; I had done a professional qualification (although this was not necessary for the post of library assistant); I had experience of doing research and I had customer service skills gained from working in shops many years ago.

Yes, shop skills, most people I have come across have worked in a shop or within a customer focused environment. A colleague of mine at the Women's Library said that she had failed to get her first job in a public library because she could not get the panel to understand that there was not a lot of difference between working in a shop and a library. Different products, but both provide a service, and therefore require the same set of skills.

To do an information job requires a person to have the necessary basic skills and it helps to have a qualification and know how to look for information etc. Jobs do not differ that much and with a bit of training a person can do anything.

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Elke McCormack is at the end of a contract with the Women's library. She is currently looking for a new job.

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