

# John Lees

**Motivational Speaker  
Career Transition Coach  
and Expert on Working Lives**



*“If you want to build a ship, then don't drum up people to gather wood, give orders, and divide the work. Rather, teach them to yearn for the far and endless sea.”*

**Antoine de Saint-Exupery**

John Lees is not only the UK's best-known career author, he is also an inspiring motivational speaker on life/work balance and career transition. He is one of the very few British speakers and careers experts who has presented at all of the world's leading careers conferences and works widely in the UK and has also presented in the USA, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand.

He is a regular presenter for the Association of MBAs, Hawksmere/Croner, One Life Life Show (Spring, Olympia) Forum 3 Volunteering & Recruitment (Autumn, Business Design Centre). He has presented at Times Creme, Next Steps and Total Jobs Live consumer shows and in-house for Career Management Consultants Ltd, Marks & Spencer, NAPP Pharmaceutical, British Council, London Borough of Lambeth, and Cranfield School of Management.

*“John Lees has been an inspirational keynote speaker at the forum3 recruitment event, providing lively sell out sessions. We always receive fantastic feedback from visitors demonstrating how his advice has literally changed their careers and lives!”*

**Debbie Hockham**, Director, forum3 recruitment

## **2009 Presentations/key notes and seminar topics include:**

- From zero to hero - how to become the best version of you
- Six steps to breakthrough – transform your future
- Acting your way into a new way of thinking – steps to a new confidence
- Travelling without maps – steering your future in a world of change
- Perfecting & managing your message to the marketplace (even in tough times)
- Employer branding – why is it important to be an employer of choice?
- MASTERCLASS – how to help coaching clients transform their career and raise their game

John is open to suggestions for a range of other talks relating to career and confidence breakthrough.

*“John is a great motivational speaker and delivered an inspiring presentation to our staff on taking control of their career, which offered a practical and realistic approach. The talk enabled our staff to get a real perspective to help them take their career thinking to another dimension which is a key factor in getting better employee retention.”*

**Clare Withycombe**, Senior Career and Coaching Consultant, British Council



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## Speaker Style

John is a charismatic and articulate speaker. His pearls of wisdom create multiple ripple effects wherever he speaks, to audiences both large and small to consumer or corporate audiences. His professional manner, approachable style, coupled with his outstanding experience and expertise, has enabled John to become one of the UK's most respected professional speakers on life/work and career topics.

## Media Profile

John writes for Guardian WORK and People Management and his career coaching and careers titles have been featured in the Sunday Times, The Times, Daily Mail Career Mail, Daily Express, People Management, Management Today, Coaching at Work, Prospects, Psychologies, EVE, Cosmopolitan, RED, Company and Marie Claire. He was co-presenter on BBC's Live & Learn 'Back to Work' programme and has appeared on ITN and guested on many radio stations.

*John Lees has been an integral part of the One Life Live Show since it began. His inspiring presentations do get people thinking about how they will spend their lives in the future from new perspectives! Year after year the feedback we get about John's main stage presentations totally confirm he is the main guy to listen to when it comes to life/work balance and how to find work with passion, meaning and purpose. 🗨*

**Helen Marriott**, Show Director, One Life Live

### What the press say about John:

*John Lees is brilliant at creating the kind of mind shift we all need to see ourselves and our work in a way that lets us transform both. 🗨*

**Maureen Rice**, editor, Psychologies Magazine

*Highly recommended – always practical, never patronising. 🗨*

**Ian Wylie**, editor of Guardian WORK commenting on *How to Get a Job You'll Love*

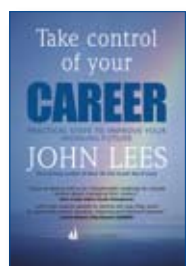
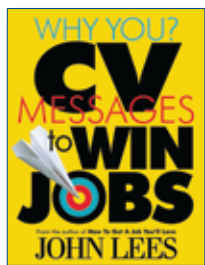
*John Lees inspires people to re-think the way they work: to work with greater purpose, meaning and life/work balance. 🗨*

**Andrea Watson**, former editor of Daily Express Careers

*John Lees is an inspirational speaker and talks a great deal of sense, particularly for someone looking for a new career path. 🗨*

**Rosemary Conley CBE**

## Careers Titles:



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