

# OPPORTUNITIES TO WORK FROM HOME

*Uncovering legitimate work from home  
opportunities in Canada*

It started with questions from our clients “Are these work at home opportunities for real?” We didn’t know for sure so we decided to find out. What follows is the research we’ve done to find the legitimate opportunities to work from home in Canada.

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# Opportunities to work from home

## *Uncovering legitimate work from home opportunities in Canada*

We recognize that there are many capable and talented people who for a variety of reasons are looking for legitimate opportunities to earn a living from home.

To support our clients who have a need and interest in creating a work from home situation we decided to do some research.

- Are there legitimate opportunities to find employment from home?
- How do you separate the real opportunities from the scams?
- What kind of work is available?

These are just a few of the questions we wanted to find answers to. We have worked diligently to research, dig, and verify the information presented here. We Googled a variety of terms, read articles, followed links, checked information on the WHOIS database, and then reached out to the companies presented below.

Here are some symbols to guide you:



***Connected with the company via email, chat or telephone***



***Link from a good source and requires further research***

Be advised that this information comes from research on our part but we do not verify or warrant any of these sites. We are sharing this information with you and it is now your responsibility to pick up and continue to do the research.

Career professionals across the country are there to support you in developing the skills and abilities to find work that suits and supports your life goals. We look forward to working with you, so please call, stop in or email us.

Sincerely,

Anne-Marie Rolfe  
Legitimate Opportunities to Work from Home Project

## TELEPHONE BASED WORK

In Bound Customer Service Reps / At Home Agents



### Alpine Access Canada

**From their website:** When hired by Alpine Access, you are an employee – not an independent contractor. We are committed to you and believe that an employer-employee relationship creates the best experience for you and our clients. We've found that when our employees feel valued and excited about work, they provide great service to customers.

<https://jobs.alpineaccess.com/work-home/work-home-overview/canada2/>

**WFH Blog Post:** <http://wp.me/p3kEkh-5Mf>

Alpine Access pays you for the time you spend in training. We also have positive reports from clients that are now working with this company.



### Transcom

**From their website:** Transcom is a global employer in an industry that depends upon strong, resourceful, talented people. In return for commitment, hard work and talent we offer competitive salaries and benefits, high quality training and opportunities to forge a career in a progressive, client focused business.

<http://careers.transcom.com/>

To go Job Search, Go to Location & select Home Agent Canada to apply



### Advanis – *Home Based Telephone Research Interviewer*

**From their website:** Welcome to the Advanis Agents website. Here, you can:

- Apply for the position of Research Interviewer (via the Job Postings link above).
- Get the information you need if you're selected for an interview (Interview link above).
- Get the training documents you need if you're hired.

Thank you for visiting our site!

<http://field.advanis.ca/en/>

**WFH Blog Post:** <http://wp.me/p3kEkh-4YR>

### Contract World



From their website: The World of Work-At-Home Jobs Begins Here

ContractWorld.jobs is the website at the center of the expanding world of contract work for home-based customer service agents. There's nothing quite like it.

The site was first launched 5 years ago in Canada and now has over 50,000 members from all across North America, plus there's also a thriving new UK based agent community at ContractWorld.co.uk.

[http://www.contractworld.jobs/work\\_at\\_home\\_jobs\\_canada/01\\_home/work\\_at\\_home\\_jobs\\_home.html](http://www.contractworld.jobs/work_at_home_jobs_canada/01_home/work_at_home_jobs_home.html)

**Blog Post:** <http://wp.me/p3kEkh-5bB>

Depending on who you decide to contract with you will need to invest anywhere from \$30 to \$300 to be trained. If you pass the training you are guaranteed work.

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# TRANSCRIPTION SERVICES

A wide variety of industries use transcription services.



## Way with Words – *Transcription / Proofreading / Captioning*

From their website: TRANSCRIPTION: APPLY TO WORK FOR US

Our application process is simple yet challenging. Only between 2% - 5% of our applicants pass our assessments as we take the applicants' English-language skills very seriously.

PROOFREADING: APPLY TO WORK FOR US

To apply to work with us as a proofreader, please submit your CV to [proofreader@waywithwordsgroup.com](mailto:proofreader@waywithwordsgroup.com). Should you like to apply to work for us as a transcription proofreader (audio transcript proofer) please download the following sound file and request the test transcript. Instructions will be emailed to you.

CAPTIONING: REGISTER WITH US

To be considered for our register of captioners in future, please submit your CV to [captioning@waywithwordsgroup.com](mailto:captioning@waywithwordsgroup.com). Note: Only experienced individuals with own computer, internet access and appropriate captioning software need apply.

<http://www.waywithwords.info/>



## Rev.com – *Freelance Transcriptionist*

From their website: Rev Transcription Job Application

Thank you for your interest in joining our Transcription team! Please complete all parts of this application, including the requested transcription sample. Please note that you should not call our office phone, as we must reserve that for customer use.

Key facts about joining our growing and fun Transcription team:

- Earn \$0.40-0.50 per audio minute + many opportunities for bonus pay
- Get weekly payouts via PayPal for work completed the prior week
- Work your own hours
- Choose which projects to work on
- Receive regular feedback, to help you improve your transcription skills

<http://www.rev.com/freelancers/transcription>



## Accentus.ca – *Medical Transcription / Medical Coding*

From their website: Medical Language Specialists

As an acute care Medical Transcriptionist/Editor for Accentus Inc. (now part of Nuance Communications, Inc.) you will work from the comfort of your home as an independent contractor (self-employed).

You will be required to meet a weekly quota (250 to 300 audio minutes per week) but you are free to complete this quota according to your own schedule. You are permitted to exceed the weekly quota if your availability and account volume permits.

We pay competitive per audio minute rates and offer you the potential to earn bonuses for quality and production. You provide your own PC and high speed internet connection (DSL or cable modem). We will supply a foot pedal and install the software required to do the work.

This position is equivalent to working in a hospital's transcription department/pool. On a typical work day:

You will transcribe/edit a variety of health records reports (discharge summaries, admissions, emergency room, operative, clinic and consult letters, etc.) according to the specifications of the hospital(s) you are assigned to

- You will encounter multiple dictators with varying accents
- You will work independently but within a team environment (you will be expected to meet your production quota consistently each week in order to maintain overall turnaround times prescribed by the client)
- You will work with a team leader (answer your day to day questions about the work, assists you with queries/blanks, etc )
- You will work with a transcription services manager (answer your questions about company policies/procedures, handles issues related to team management and communicates performance issues)

When you log in, the jobs download into your queue. When you log off, leftover jobs go back into the pool. The work is available 24/7.

We prefer our MTs to have prior experience transcribing all acute care reports (discharge summaries, clinic notes, consults, operative, and emergency room reports). It is not enough to be familiar with medical reports. You need to develop a good listening ear for a wide variety of voices (including accented dictators) to be successful with this work.

<http://www.accentus.ca/careers/CanadianMT.php>



## Terra Nova - *Medical Transcription*

From their website: Terra Nova prides itself on hiring talented employees who support its mission of delivering high quality results and best-in-class service to each customer. We offer competitive pay, including incentives as well as health, dental and life insurance for our full-time employees. As an added benefit, many of our employees are eligible to work remote from their home office.

We are continuously growing and are currently accepting applications for full-time positions within the medical transcription field. A minimum of five years transcription experience covering many specialties is required. Excellent knowledge of medical terminology and good organizational skills is highly preferred.

<http://terranovatrans.com/careers.php>



## MModal.com - *Medical Transcription*

From their website: Full and part-time medical transcriptionists and editors provide clinical documentation services to M\*Modal Canada client facilities. The M\*Modal team is the best in the industry, with the talent, knowledge and expertise to balance the need for speed and accuracy with the ability to consistently produce documents that meet the highest quality, accuracy and integrity standards that our clients expect.

<http://mmodal.com/about-us/careers/canadian-opportunities/>



## Transcriptionist Training

***Do an internet search on “Transcriptionist Training”***

There are online training programs that can support you in becoming a transcriptionist. Please connect with an Employment Counsellor / Employment Centre to see if you might qualify for training assistance.

## TRANSLATION SERVICES

The internet is creating opportunity for a wide variety of translation services.



### Translator Café

From their website: Are You a Language Professional?

Sign up now if you are visiting for the first time—registration is free, or log on and enjoy the full search capabilities of this site. You can create your own profile and track your job applications in your personal translation agencies list. Registered translators will be notified about all new translation jobs in their language combinations posted on the Job Board.

<http://www.translatorscafe.com/cafe/SearchJobs.asp>



### Translatorsbase.com

From their website: Translatorsbase.com is the leading source of online translation jobs for freelance translators. Outsourcers can post a project and obtain free quotes for translation services. Freelance translators and translation agencies can apply for translation jobs as well as promote their businesses using translation websites.

<http://www.translatorsbase.com/default.aspx>



### WinTranslation.com

From their website: wintranslation is currently seeking translators who live within Canada who are fully proficient in one or more foreign languages, in addition to English and/or French. We are particularly interested in translators who have an active Enhanced Reliability security clearance with the Government of Canada. Here are more details on the languages and requirements.

Our company is particularly interested in hearing from translators who can translate to/from the Aboriginal Languages of Canada. Click here to get more details on languages and how to apply.

<http://www.wintranslation.com/translation-services-company/employment/>



### Translation Source - *In-house and International Staffing Opportunities*

From their website: Translation Source seeks outstanding, passionate individuals to help our clients with international bilingual staffing needs to accelerate their business, capture new markets and generate revenue.

We have a constant demand for professional translators, e-learning developers, localization engineers, bilingual engineers, IT personnel, accountants and business development executives that work both in-house and as part of our international staffing team. If you are interested on a rewarding career at a fast-growing, innovative company in the language industry, please submit your professional credentials to [human-resources@translation-source.com](mailto:human-resources@translation-source.com).

<http://www.translation-source.com/contact-us/careers/>



## African Translation

From their website: African Translation is the leading provider of services in languages of lesser diffusion.

As the need to communicate with peoples from all corners of the world grows, many businesses turn to African Translation to overcome the language barriers between themselves and their limited/non English speaking customers and partners.

We are always looking for professional people with high ethical standards and a commitment to customer service.

Helping people cross the language barrier can be a very rewarding career filled with opportunities.

<http://www.africantranslation.com/Translators.html>

## VIRTUAL ASSISTANT

Clerical, Administration, Bookkeeping, Scheduling, Technical support and more



*There are a wide variety of resources to help you explore and discover if being a Virtual Assistant (VA) is right for you.*

### What is a Virtual Assistant?

Canadian Virtual Assistant

<http://canadianvirtualassistant.com/what-is-a-va-faqs/>

### Am I Qualified to be VA Survey?

Virtual Office Temps

<http://www.virtualassistantjobs.com/survey>

### Work at Home Moms

Great information and resources.

<http://www.wahm.com/articles/becoming-a-virtual-assistant-the-basics.html>



### Virtual Assistant Job Board

<http://www.virtualassistantjobs.com/jobs>



### Staff.com

From their website: Staff.com is a global hiring site. You can hire from any country and any city in the world. The advantage of this is that you can find high quality talented people at lower overall cost than hiring directly from your city. If you want someone in your office, the best way to get started is to work with the person remotely, then after you are comfortable that they are the right fit, then you can see if you can get a visa for the person to come and work with you locally (if they are happy to move).

<https://www.staff.com/>



## AccuTranGlobal – Worldwide Virtual Services for Business

From their website: How do I become part of the organization?

First, let's describe the kind of person who is going to do well as a member of our team:

You are speedy on the computer, as is demonstrated by your high typing speed

- You have excellent English skills – your punctuation and spelling are great
- You possess good Internet research skills
- You are able to strike a balance between quality and speed, and deliver your documents in an appropriate amount of time
- You work well under pressure
- You are able to take assignments and complete them without interruption
- You follow instructions well
- You communicate well
- You see this fitting into your long-term business/personal plans

Important: We do not offer positions that are suitable for those with small children in their care.

Again, we thank you for your interest in AccuTran Global. If you are interested in applying to work as part of our team, please return to the JOBS page of our website, click on the questionnaire/test link and complete the testing materials.

<http://www.accutransglobal.com/>



## My Secret Staff

From their website: My Secret Staff is a business process outsourcing company deploying skilled professionals to assist clients in their everyday lives by acting as "Virtual Staff". By using a wide range of technology and sophisticated business strategies, we can both be the backup and frontline of your business.

Here in My Secret Staff, we hire only the best.

<http://www.secretstaff.com/>

# CROWDSOURCING

A growing trend



## Clickworker.com

From their website: Make Money Online as a “Clickworker”

Clickworker is one of a growing number of companies that use crowdsourcing platforms to distribute micro tasks (aka microlabor) to a worldwide workforce. Clickworker specializes in as writing, translating, data entry and research tasks that are spread out to more than 300,000 “clickworkers.”

<http://www.clickworker.com/en>



## Lionbridge.com

From their website: At Lionbridge, we pride ourselves on our network of people. Great people work for us as employees, as translators, and as interpreters. Our more than 4,200 people across 26 countries are supported by thousands more who enable our clients’ global success.

We are always recruiting the best to work with us in all capacities. Please choose the type of position that interests you and explore the possibilities.

<http://www.lionbridge.com/careers/>

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*Remember with crowdsourcing you are paid by the task, not the hour, so you have to complete each task and have it accepted to the quality level expected to get paid.*

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## Appen – Crowdsourcing / Web Search Evaluation and more

From their website: With capability in 140 languages, Appen works with leading technology companies to expand into new global markets. Our comprehensive expertise in search, language, and social technology, combined with an agile crowd sourcing model, power companies to offer relevant and localized product experiences. Our solutions help companies transform the limitless amount of data pouring in from across the web, from around the world, into tools that create and increase engagement for their customers.

Appen’s global network of specialists and in-country virtual teams, assures that products perform in every market, to drive brand growth and gain competitive advantage.

We are passionate about people, language and technology —the nexus of which drives our mission to cultivate global connection.

<http://www.appen.com/company/opportunities/>

## CAREERS IN E-LEARNING

This is a growth industry, with an incredible variety of opportunity.

For those with backgrounds in education, training, coaching, tutoring, English as a second language and more there is an incredible array of opportunity available.

For those who like graphics, video production, e-book creation and the thought of developing other multi-media learning materials, opportunity exists.

There is so much available that it is important to read, learn and explore.

The global eLearning market is projected to reach \$107.3 billion by the year 2015, driven by its benefits in the form of reduction in operational costs, flexibility in learning activities, and simplified training programs.

[http://www.prweb.com/releases/elearning/corporate\\_elearning/prweb4531974.htm](http://www.prweb.com/releases/elearning/corporate_elearning/prweb4531974.htm)

### Canadian Council on Learning

From their website: State of E-Learning in Canada

CCL's State of E-Learning in Canada was written to improve Canadians' understanding of e-learning—particularly of its challenges, limitations and benefits—so that Canada may move forward in appropriate and relevant ways.

This page provides highlights from CCL's 2009 report, State of E-Learning in Canada, including general definitions, descriptions and a broad picture of e-learning in Canada.

<http://www.ccl-cca.ca/ccl/Reports/StateELearning.html>

### Instructional Design Careers

An excellent BLOG that provides great information and is definitely worth exploring in depth.

<http://christytucker.wordpress.com/instructional-design-careers/>

### LinkedIn Groups

LinkedIn groups are an excellent way to find out about freelance contracts and jobs.

Freelance in Instructional Design and E-Learning Industry

<http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Freelance-in-Instructional-Design-ELearning-3638251/about>

Instructional Design & E-Learning Professionals' Group

<http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Instructional-Design-ELearning-Professionals-Group-110953/about>



## Clarity Learning Consultants

From their website: Superior Learning & Development consultants deployed on-demand, with the skills you need, for over 20 years.

Clarity Consultants is passionate about delivering the best L&D solutions to help your organization evaluate strengths, develop talent, train leadership, and manage change. We understand the criticality of corporate learning and development, and we have the experience to help ensure your project's success. Our consultants partner with your project team, complementing and enhancing internal resources until your goals are achieved.

- Instructional Design
- Training Delivery
- Learning Technology Consulting
- Project Management
- Organizational Development

<http://www.clarityconsultants.ca/>



## Cine Learning Productions

From their website: Cine Learning Productions is always looking for creative, talented, and team players to add to our development team. We are currently looking for independent contractors who specialize in instructional design and Flash development, and professional audio talent, as well as local, professional actors.

If you are interested in working for Cine Learning Productions as a contractor, please email a cover letter and resume to Human Resources.

<http://www.cinelearningproductions.com/staff.php>



## Lynda.com – Call for Trainers

From their website: **Call for Trainers** - Are you a top professional in your field, with a passion to teach and share your knowledge and industry experience? We're looking for qualified trainers with expertise, passion, and teaching experience. If you are interested in being part of the lynda.com team of authors, apply now!

<http://www.lynda.com/aboutus/callfortrainers.aspx>



## Canadian Management Centre – Independent Contractors

From their website: All Canadian Management Centre facilitators are independent contractors with their own successful consulting businesses or active careers in their areas of expertise.

<http://www.cmctraining.org/join-our-team>



## Virtual High School Ontario

From their website: Virtual High School (Ontario) has been providing online high school courses to students from Ontario and other parts of the world since 2002. As a private school issuing Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) credits, we have grown to be the largest private high school in Canada.

Qualified teachers looking to make an impact in new teaching technologies and wanting to be a part of school which constantly sets new boundaries in education are constantly being sought. We need teachers who demonstrate an enthusiasm for teaching and a thirst for challenge. The ability to work successfully in an independent setting is essential.

[https://www.virtualhighschool.com/teaching\\_positions.asp](https://www.virtualhighschool.com/teaching_positions.asp)



## Canadian Online High School

From their website: Get online high school courses and credits from Ontario, Canada. Canadian Online High School is a group of dedicated and experienced online school teachers offering online high school courses to students around the world. Canadian Online High School has been accredited by the Ontario Ministry of Education. We believe Canadian Online High School is advancing education into the 21st century. We offer Grade 9 to 12 Ontario online high school courses, and more! Check our courses out!

<http://www.canadianonlinehighschool.com/jobs.html>



## More Virtual High Schools

Do an internet search on 'virtual high schools Canada' and you will find an incredible array of various opportunities at all levels of education.



## Open English

From their website: Join Our Team - At Open English, we seek to attract and retain dedicated employees and teachers who share our vision. We believe in teamwork and collaboration, not in hierarchy. Our organizational structure is consistently changing and our workspaces are open, as is our communication style. We are building a meritocracy that empowers our contributors and employees. We respect each individual, and recognize the best ideas can come from anywhere.

<http://www.openenglish.com/oportunidades-laborales.do>



## Aim-for-A tutoring - eTutors

From their website: Aim Academics is looking for part-time and full-time tutors to provide in center tutoring at one of our locations and online tutoring services to students worldwide. If you have a mastery of ANY subject, we would like to hear from you!

<http://www.aim4a.com/tutors.php>



## Eduwizards.com – online tutors

From their website: To tutor at Eduwizards you need a Bachelor's degree or higher. Our signing up process involves submitting your full details. After you have submitted all the information, your profile will either be approved or disapproved by our staff; an interview would be part of the approval process. If approved you are ready to tutor on our site. You choose your subjects, charge your own price, and choose the hours you wish to make yourself available for tutoring. Both you and the student login from home and tutoring takes place using our whiteboard with voice.

<http://www.eduwizards.com/careers.php>



## Eleutian - English as a foreign language (EFL) Teachers

From their website: We are hiring instructors to teach English as a foreign language (EFL)

Thank you for your interest in becoming an instructor with Eleutian Technology. We are looking for energetic and innovative individuals who enjoy working with students in group classes or one-on-one settings

<http://www.eleutian.com/products-and-solutions/meet-our-teachers/become-a-teacher/>



## Tutor.com

From their website: If you love your field and want to share your knowledge, you'll love being an online tutor with Tutor.com. Our tutors are the best of the best and earn extra income while tutoring subjects they are passionate about. Work from home and earn extra money by becoming an online tutor with Tutor.com!

College students, teachers, adjuncts, professors and industry professionals all love this exciting part-time tutoring work. Help students of all ages—from K-12 to college to adult learners—gain a better understanding of your favorite subjects, while keeping your skills sharp.

<http://www.tutor.com/apply>



## e-teacher group - on-line language academy

From their website: At eTeacher, we are continually looking to hire teachers, customer support and sales representatives, and software developers. If you are talented, committed, and dependable.

<http://eteachergroup.com/jobs?nav=footer>

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## CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS

### Is there a difference?

*A consultant provides expert advice and a contractor performs a job or service.*



#### Freelancer.ca

From their website: Work on what you want, when you want and where you want to! Expose your talents and skills to the world and get paid for it without ever leaving your home or office!

Whether you're looking for a part-time job to supplement your income or you want to expand the client base for your full-time business, you'll find plenty of opportunities from employers who are specifically seeking you out here on Freelancer.

No matter what your areas or level of expertise, exposure is the key to a successful start. At Freelancer, we bring the employers and the jobs to you. No expensive advertising, complicated applications or business cards required. There's simply no easier way to find work.

<http://www.freelancer.ca/>



#### Elance.com

From their website: Find freelancers at the world's most-trusted online workplace.

Elance is where businesses go to find, hire, collaborate with and pay top online freelancers from 170+ countries. A community of over 2.5 million freelancers and 500,000 businesses, on Elance it's easy to hire a top freelancer. Find a developer, freelance designers or other talented freelancers with the most-demanded skills.

But more than freelance web developers, there's a world of talented people now freelancing on Elance. This includes talented application developers, software engineers, testers, network administrators, web designers, graphic designers, copywriters, market researchers, SEO experts, data analysts, social media marketers, translators, customer service agents, moderators, administrative assistants, accountants, lawyers and business consultants.

<https://www.elance.com/>

If you're looking to Work Differently and do great work while building teams of amazing freelancers, Elance is right for you. Join us.

<https://www.elance.com/q/university>



## Staff.com

From their website: Staff.com is a global hiring site. You can hire from any country and any city in the world. The advantage of this is that you can find high quality talented people at lower overall cost than hiring directly from your city. If you want someone in your office, the best way to get started is to work with the person remotely, then after you are comfortable that they are the right fit, then you can see if you can get a visa for the person to come and work with you locally (if they are happy to move).

<https://www.staff.com/>



## ODesk.com

From their website: You have the skills, we have the jobs. With almost twice the contractor earnings of our largest competitor, oDesk is a smart, secure place to get to work!

<https://odesk.com/info/howitworks/contractor/>



## Fiverr.com

From their website: Welcome to Fiverr The world's largest marketplace for services, starting at \$5

<http://www.fiverr.com/>



## Gerson Lehrman Group - *high end consulting*

From their website: Gerson Lehrman Group, Inc. has over 800 employees in 21 locations globally all working to empower companies to make the right connection to people, ideas and opportunities. Our continued success depends on the skills and commitment of all our people and we are always looking for the next great addition to our team.

*This opportunity was provided to me by a client who had done consulting work with them. They were billing her out at \$250 an hour.*

<http://glg.it/about/>



## Art and Logic.com

From their website: Art & Logic is a continent-wide team of over 50 great developers spread over the US and Canada. From reading the trade magazines, you'd think that there wasn't any development talent once you got 50 miles outside of the Bay Area, except for a few small pockets of talent in New York City and Boston. That's a pretty dumb idea. We also disagree with the idea that work is mostly a place you go -- it's a thing you do, and given the right

environment, support, and culture, you should be able to do great work from wherever you work best. For most of us at Art & Logic, that workspace is at home, where we can maintain control of noise, distractions, and other factors that can make it difficult to remain productive throughout the work day.

We like to say that we don't telecommute, because there's no place for us to telecommute to. If you've had bad experiences working remotely in the past because you've been left out of what was happening in 'the office' -- we're different. The tools, infrastructure, and work practices that we've adopted over the years let us work together effectively, efficiently, and very collaboratively without regard to the physical distances between any two of us.

<http://www.artandlogic.com/careers>

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## ACCOUNTING / TAX PREPARATION



### LiveCA.ca

From their website: Every business is different

Our online approach means you get connected to your own personal chartered accountant, wherever your business takes you. Your personal chartered accountant means answers to any questions you have are tailored specifically to your business.

Our staff are committed to staying on top of the latest developments in accounting technology as well as Canadian tax legislation.

Want to know what accounting software to choose for your business?

Want to find out if that expense is deductible?

Professional advice is just a few clicks away

<http://www.liveca.ca/>



### Intuit.ca

From their website: Tax Specialists at Intuit

When you are hired into one of our Tax Support or Tax Advisor jobs, you'll be a key member of the Intuit team.

**Tax Support** - If you're a highly motivated individual with a business background and excellent communication skills but do not have an active credential, we need you to help our customers complete their taxes using Turbo Tax. Click on the Tax Support job above to learn more.

**Tax Advisor** - If you have an active credential, we need you to provide expert guidance and tax explanations to our customers as they complete their taxes using Turbo Tax products. Click on the Tax Advisor job above to learn more.

<http://jobs.intuit.com/careers/tax-advisor-jobs>

## CONTENT CREATION

Takes time, persistence, a passion for writing and a passion for the internet.



### What you need to know before you begin

<http://www.incomediary.com/step-by-step-guide-writing-blog-post>

### Sites that pay you to blog

<http://www.hongkiat.com/blog/sites-to-get-paid-blogging/>



### Demand Studios.com - Writers | Copy Editors | Filmmakers | On-Camera Talent | Casting Producers | Photographers

I didn't get the time to dig into this site, but they are affiliated with the Better Business Bureaus and claim to provide content to top rated websites.

<http://www.demandstudios.com/>



### About.com

From their website: Why Write for About.com?

About.com's Independent Contractors typically cover topic areas that require ongoing content production and updating as well as strong research skills and deep knowledge of the topic.

An innovative publishing platform

About.com has spent years maturing a publishing platform that allows writers to focus on writing while providing them a foundation with an established audience and the means to grow that audience. About.com's platform provides the systems necessary to build and run a site for the network and metrics to analyze traffic and trends.

<http://guide.about.com/>



### ChaCha.com

Answer questions that people post. Not sure if there is any real money in it, but it does give you the opportunity to learn, and hone writing skills.

<http://becomeaguide.chacha.com/>



### Helium.com

Another site that allows you to publish and get paid for quality content.

<http://www.heliumcontentsource.com/freelance-writing-editorial-jobs/editorial-freelancer-faqs/>



## Textbroker.co.uk

From their website: Textbroker is the worldwide leading platform for unique, high-quality content

<https://www.textbroker.co.uk/>

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## MEDICAL WRITING



### Parexel.com

From their website: In a PAREXEL Medical Writing job, you'll prepare clinical documents for comprehensive clinical trials and programs. Using compliant PAREXEL and sponsor formats, styles and management systems, you'll manage clinical document deliverables such as model informed consent forms, clinical study reports, pharmacovigilance documents and more. Explore careers at PAREXEL.

<http://jobs.parexel.com/ca/canada/medical-writing-jobs>

Find out more about careers in medical writing:

<http://contactpoint.ca/2014/03/medical-writing-legitimate-work-from-home-opportunity/>

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## JOB BOARDS

Legitimate opportunities to work from home are posted on job boards, just like traditional jobs. The challenge is separating the legitimate opportunities from the scams. While on the surface this can seem like a daunting task, with some common sense it is possible.

A quick search on the job board [Indeed.ca](http://Indeed.ca) with 'work from home' in the what box and the where box left empty returned 2282 results. That is a lot of results, and a quick check shows that it may not be providing us with the work from home results we really want.

Modify your search as follows and see what happens. In the what box put in 'work+from+home' and again leave the where box empty. This time Indeed.ca returned 202 results, a much more manageable number.

Now read the search results with an eye to finding out which ones might suit you and which ones you can trust. Do not let the threat of a scam stop you from pursuing and creating a life that suits you. Instead put on your scam detector hat, slow down and read the posting thoroughly. This is important research you are doing and skimming a posting will not get you the results you want.

When reading the posting you need to ask things like:

- Am I qualified for the position?
- Is it a work from home opportunity?
- Does it look professional? No spelling, grammar, logic errors?

You've identified an opportunity and now it's time to bring in the **scam detector**. In a separate window, do a search on the company and see what kind of information you can find out. Sometimes the reviews at [Glassdoor.ca](http://Glassdoor.ca) are useful. Caution, disgruntled employees and customers are more likely to post than those who enjoy their work.

Have you found a match? Then just like applying for a face to face job, you need to tweak your cover letter and resume. Companies hire solutions, be that solution!

Follow the application instructions clearly and complete all parts of the process. There may be testing as part of the process so take your time. Some companies only allow you to do the testing once.

Have you come across a post that you think is a scam? Then report it to the job board where you found it. You can also report it to the Anti-Fraud Centre.

If you are willing to pay a subscription fee of \$14.95 per month then [Flexjobs.com](http://Flexjobs.com) is a great alternative. They do all the research for you and verify that the jobs are real, not scams, before they are posted on their job board. They have a specific section for flex jobs in Canada. It is free to browse, but if you want to apply for something you will need to subscribe.

Job boards are a source of legitimate ways to work from. They just take more time and diligence on your part.

Anne-Marie Rolfe

<http://contactpoint.ca/using-job-boards-to-find-legitimate-opportunities-to-work-from-home/>



## We Work Remotely

From their website: We Work Remotely is the best place to find and list jobs that aren't restricted by commutes or a particular geographic area. Find the most qualified people in the most unexpected places: Hire remote! Follow us on Twitter @weworkremotely

<https://weworkremotely.com/>



## Virtual Vocations

From their website: Virtual Vocations is a job service that provides job-seekers with hand-screened telecommuting jobs leads that offer real pay for real work. From account management to writing, all of the job openings we bring you offer some form of telecommuting or virtual work.

<http://www.virtualvocations.com/>



## Flexjobs.com

From their website: Welcome to the Part-Time, Flexible, and Telecommuting Jobs by Location page! We have jobs listed from every state in the US, Canada, and many other international locations. Every single one of our jobs has some kind of flexibility option - such as telecommuting, a part-time schedule, or a flexible or flextime schedule. If you're looking specifically for a telecommuting job, many telecommuting jobs can be done from anywhere, which is fantastic; however others have some kind of city, state, region, or country requirements so that they are more "local jobs" and searching by location is good idea. If you're looking for a part-time or flexible schedule job but don't require telecommuting as an option, browsing by your location is a great starting point. Use the links below to browse telecommuting jobs by state, region, or country.

<http://www.flexjobs.com/searchLocation>

Indeed.ca

Eluta.ca

## GAMING

### Can you really get paid to game from home?

It's not as easy as it seems.



### Alchemic Dream

From their website: Alchemic Dream is a fast-growing company that offers a wide range of remote positions on five continents. If you are full of energy, honest, friendly, interested in foreign cultures, like being in charge and look for rewarding experiences, Alchemic Dream certainly has something in mind for you!

You will work together with industry experts in areas as diverse as game mastering, customer service, social networking, localization, risk management any many new positions related to new gaming experiences.

<http://www.alchemicdream.com/Carrieres>



### Games Job Direct

This is an excellent job board for the gaming industry in Canada.

<http://www.gamesjobsdirect.com/browse-jobs/canada-jobs/>



### UBISOFT

From their website: When my brothers and I created Ubisoft back in 1986, we started out with a simple motivation: work with passionate people and make fun games. Today, to continue surprising our millions of fans all over the world, we're always on the lookout for new ways to push back the boundaries of creativity and innovation. Beyond simple games, we strive to create immersive and engaging creative worlds that not only offer moments of pure fun, escapism and adventure, but also opportunities for learning and self-discovery.

Yves Guillemot, co-founder and CEO

They have jobs posted in the career section that say online/web possible remote opportunities.

[http://www.ubisoftgroup.com/en-US/careers/search\\_for\\_jobs.aspx?LinkId=18350](http://www.ubisoftgroup.com/en-US/careers/search_for_jobs.aspx?LinkId=18350)

These links are worth checking out, however they are not remote/work from home.



### *Enzyme – the Science of Game Testing*

From their website: Have You Ever Thought of Testing Video Games for a Living? Now You Can...Enzyme Testing Labs™ is one of the only companies in the world dedicated solely to offering a complete range of video game testing and pre-certification services in multiple languages. So, if you have a passion for video games, love a challenge and would like to work on some of the most prestigious video game titles in the industry before they are released to the public, read on.

<http://www.enzyme.org/index.php?id=careers&L=13>



### *VMC GameLab*

If You Want To Get Paid For Playing Games, Keep Reading!

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be a games tester? You've been playing video games your whole life, and now it's time to start making a life for yourself. The reality is that no games company is going to hire someone without experience. But, you can't get experience until someone hires you. So how do you break into the video game industry? Begin your career as a games tester for VMC Game Labs.

<https://www.vmc.com/gamelabs/Services/Tester%20Jobs.aspx>



### *Create amazing games*

Unity 3 is a game development tool that has been designed to let you focus on creating amazing games. If you've tried Unity before, see what's new in 3.5. If this is your first time, take a look around or try Unity for yourself.

<http://www.unity3d.com/>

## ON LINE SURVEYS

### Scam or opportunity?

*This research comes from Kerry, a college student with great internet research skills. She had some background in doing on-line surveys and put this together for us. If you decide to try this DO set up a separate email address specifically for on line surveys.*

#### *SurveyLion – earn cash*

SurveyLion appears to be an honest online survey panel that offers one of the highest incentive rates when you refer a friend (\$5.00 per person, just for them joining). However, it is dependent on your demographics whether or not you will be receiving a lot of surveys or not. When you do receive one, be sure to complete it quickly as many surveys are not available for very long at all. Usually within 24 hours the survey will be closed and you will have lost your chance.

<http://www.surveylion.com/index.php>

#### *Tellwut – earn cash*

LegerWeb offers its members the opportunity to earn cash for every online survey they take. The amount awarded per survey varies however, LegerWeb is known for its fairness. Earn Dollars for surveys, and use them to get cash, Air Miles, or towards charitable donations. Earn more rewards by downloading their mobile app and completing surveys through your device when you're on the go.

<http://www.tellwut.com/>

#### *SurveySavvy – earn cash*

Synopsis:

SurveySavvy seems to be one of the more secure online survey panel websites available. However, for non-US residents, it would seem not as many surveys are sent out to you. One user found that the best approach is to fill out different 'portrait' surveys to help define you socially and financially. SurveySavvy does pay promptly and, unlike other sites, you are able to request your payment no matter what balance your account is at (even if it's only \$1.00!).

<https://www.surveysavvy.com/>

#### *Angus Reid Forum- earn survey dollars*

Angus Reid Forum offers its members the opportunity to earn Survey Dollars for every online survey they complete. For each survey completed, members earn between 1 and 5 Survey Dollars or entries into sweepstakes draws to win gift certificates or cash.

<https://www.angusreidforum.com/Portal/p.aspx>

### ***Hotspex- earn points***

Hotspex offers its panelists the opportunity to earn Hotspex BUX for the completion of online surveys. These points are redeemable for PayPal payments, Amazon gift cards or charity donations. Lots of opportunities to earn great prizes are available through the Hotpot as well as with monthly and annual draws for cash and other prizes.

<http://www.myhotspex.com/>

### ***MySurvey Canada- earn points***

TNS MySurvey Canada offers its members the opportunity to earn points for completing surveys, registering as a new member, and also for referring other members. The number of points allocated for every online survey a member takes is stated in the survey invitation e-mail they receive.

<https://www.mysurvey.ca/>

### ***NPD Group – win prizes***

NPD Group offers panelists the opportunity to win cash and prizes for every online survey they complete. Panelists from Canada are automatically entered into three different sweepstakes upon completion of an online survey.

<http://www.npdor.com/>

### ***OpinionWorld Canada- earn points***

With OpinionWorld, you can earn points for specialist surveys and redeem them at the Webshop for gift cards. Alternatively, use your points for a cash payment sent to your PayPal account. Charitable donations are also made for each survey you complete. Opportunities to win cash lie left, right, and center!

<http://www.opinionworld.com/>

### ***Opinion Outpost – earn points***

Opinion Outpost is an online survey panel owned and operated by Western Wats – one of the largest market research companies in the world. Western Wats has conducted market research since 1987 and employs thousands of people worldwide. They online surveys in the UK, Canada, and US and often works with Fortune 500 companies and are a survey company which typically has frequent online survey opportunities for their panelists due to their large size and clientele.

<http://www.opinionoutpost.com>

# MYSTERY SHOPPING

## Mystery Shopping Providers Association

From their website: MSPA North America is the trade association representing the customer experience metrics industry throughout North America. A regional component of the Mystery Shopping Providers Association, which operates globally (with regions located in North America, Europe, Asia/Pacific and Latin America), MSPA North America is widely recognized as the leader in customer experience measurement and management in its marketplace. Member companies unite as a common body for the purpose of strengthening the customer experience metrics industry through combined efforts and actions.

It is the goal of MSPA-NA to improve and stimulate the acceptance, performance, reputation and use of customer experience metrics throughout North America.

With several hundred member companies worldwide, our diverse membership includes mystery shopping firms, marketing research and merchandising companies, training organizations, private investigation firms and other companies that offer customer experience metrics through anonymous third-parties.

### Our History

MSPA was founded in 1998 by a group of dedicated mystery shopping business owners who recognized the positive influence a trade association could have on the industry. Since its formation with about 70 members companies, MSPA has grown to an organization with more than 300 member companies around the world and has evolved into a global federation with geographic Regions dedicated to the unique needs of mystery shopping and grown to include customer experience metrics in the distinct geographic areas.

<http://mysteryshop.org/avoid-scammers>

Here are some of the links that were generously shared by a participant in one of the workshops. She does Mystery Shopping and enjoys it and here is where she finds the opportunities.

<https://www.sassieshop.com/>

<http://www.jobslinger.com>

<https://www.certifiedfieldassociate.com>

<http://www.bareinternational.com>

<https://www.caliberinteractions.com>

<http://www.mscreporting.com/login.asp>

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## REMEMBER:

- Never send money
- Never reveal too much about yourself until you have VERIFIED the company
- Set up a second gmail or other free email for your initial contacts / or online work
- Get educated on the scams that exist so that you can learn to spot them

Competition Bureau - Check out the Little Black book of Scams

[http://www.competitionbureau.gc.ca/eic/site/cb-bc.nsf/vwapj/Little-Black-Book-Scams-e.pdf/\\$FILE/Little-Black-Book-Scams-e.pdf](http://www.competitionbureau.gc.ca/eic/site/cb-bc.nsf/vwapj/Little-Black-Book-Scams-e.pdf/$FILE/Little-Black-Book-Scams-e.pdf)

Register a complaint - <http://www.competitionbureau.gc.ca/eic/site/cb-bc.nsf/frm-eng/GH%C3%89T-7TDNA5>

Don't give up too easily; persistence pays off in the end. – Proverb

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