

**JOB DUCK PRESENTS** 

# CUSTOMIZABLE RESUME TEMPLATE

Have you ever struggled to compile enough information to get a job when putting your resume together? We know that it is essential to display your experience and education. However, a good design can also say a lot about your personality and your abilities. For this reason, we wanted to give you several templates to make an eye-catching and memorable resume. Don't let that recruiter turn page without looking twice! Are you ready?



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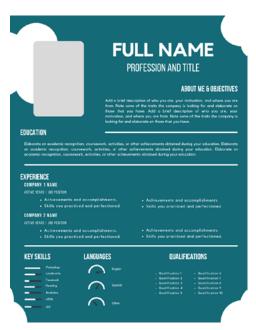


## CLICK ON THE TEMPLATE YOU LIKE THE MOST TO START EDITING IT.

In the following pages, we will share a **step-by-step guide** with images to manipulate our templates. Additionally, we will talk about some helpful tools to have appealing visuals in your resume (Canva's Color Palette Generator (HERE), Canva's Color Wheel (HERE), and Photofeeler (HERE)).





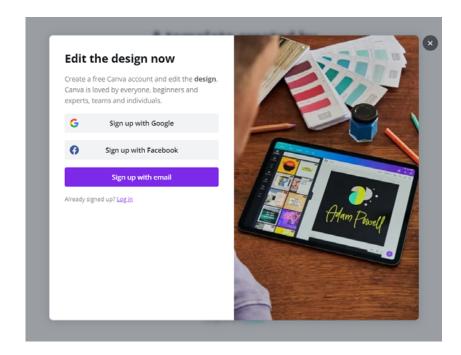






## LET'S START USING CANVA

Canva account. You can Sign-up for Canva Pro, but that is not necessary. We carefully designed these templates for you to use for free. Please note that if you see a crown in a button or a watermark in an element, it means that those options aren't part of Canva's free version.



You can sign up through **Google, Facebook or Email.** Don't forget to validate your account afterward.

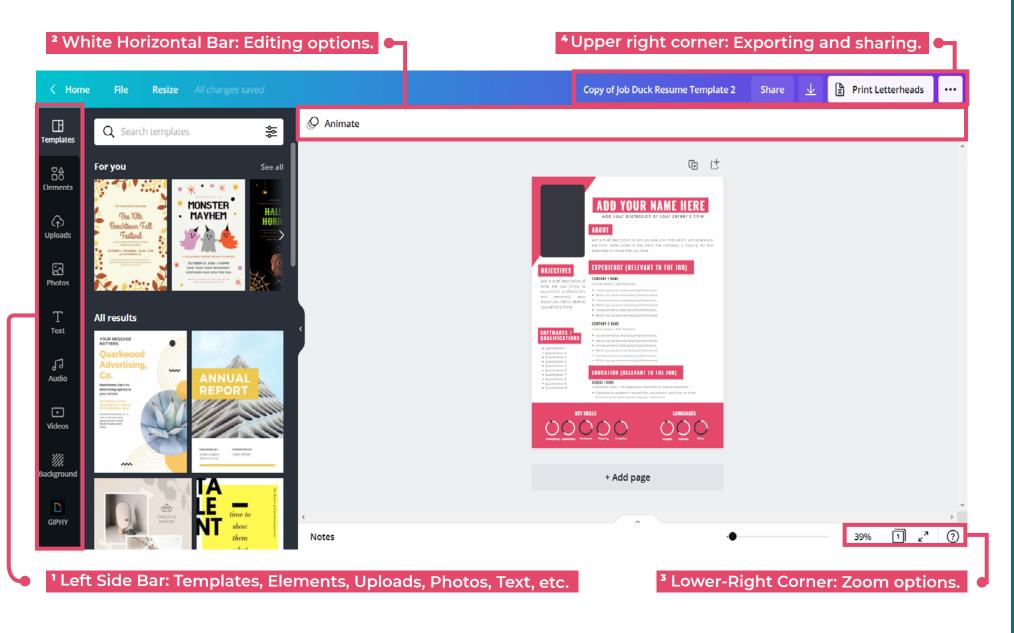




# UNDERSTANDING CANVA'S INTERFACE

Take the first glimpse at Canva's interface. For starters, the left-sidebar¹ allows you to use Canva's templates, add elements (such as images, videos, music, graphics, etc.), texts, upload your files, and add other tools. The white horizontal bar² under the top menu displays several editing options depending on the item you click. At the lower-right corner³ of your screen, you can see a number with a percentage. If you click on it, you will find the different zoom options to view your design. Finally, in the upper right corner⁴, you can find several buttons to share your composition with other Canva users or download it, among other options.

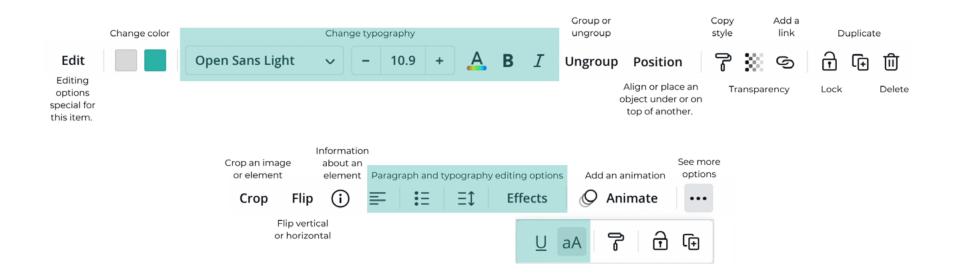






<sup>2</sup> White Horizontal Bar: Editing options.

These are the editing options we will see the most.

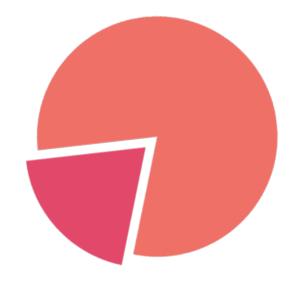


Click HERE to learn some of Canva's shortcuts.





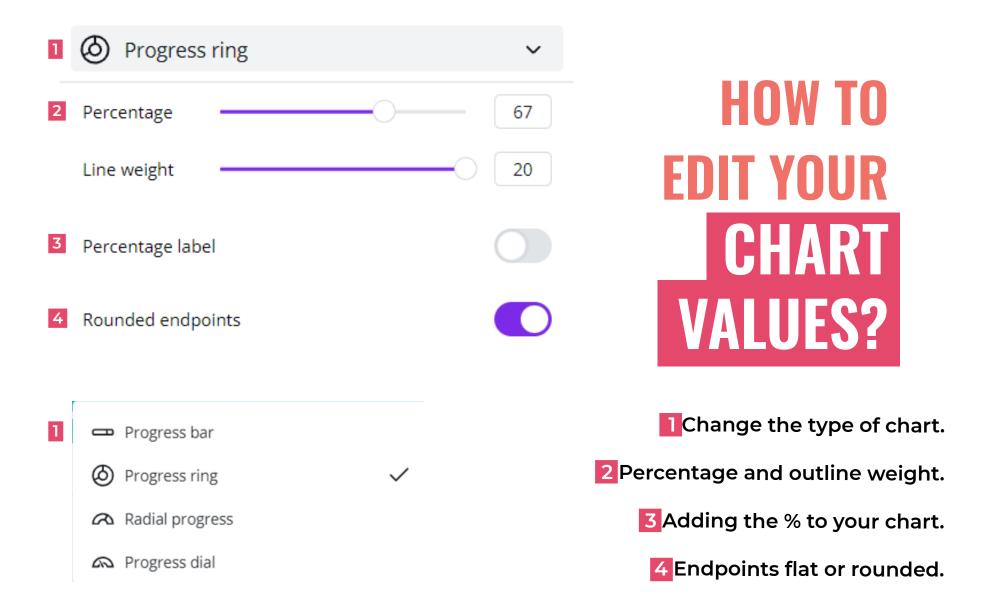
## START EDITING



#### **EDITING CHARTS**

All of the templates we shared have a variety of elements. Among those elements, you can find charts. These charts add a visual representation of quantifiable data (in this case, for example, your language fluency and your skills). To edit the predetermined values in our template, click on the chart, then the edit button on the top white bar, and you should now see a window on the left side of your screen where you can change the values of your charts and even the type of chart.







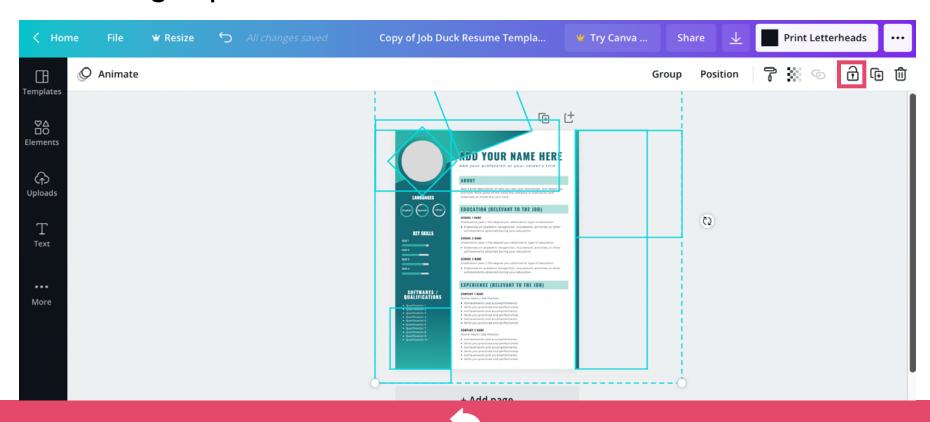
#### **GROUPING AND BLOCKING**

In Canva, you can **move all of the elements** in a design by clicking and dragging or using your keyboard's arrows. However, we decided to **group and block some items** in our templates. If you try to relocate an element in a group, the whole group will move. On the other hand, **you can't edit a blocked component.** We did it like this on purpose since if you can't move the background, you are free to organize the groups of text as you wish. In other words, we did it to speed up the organization and data entry processes.

Therefore, to **group and block elements**, knowing how to select several items may come in handy. To do this, you can click on an object, press the ctrl+shift↑ (option \times+shift↑ on mac) keys, and click on all the elements you want to select.



Once you have your selection, you can **group and block elements** easily by clicking the button with the instruction (or icon) on the top white bar. To group, click on the 'Group' button. To lock or block elements, click on the button with a lock icon. Furthermore, to unblock and unlock items, you can follow the same steps. Simple, right? Remember that sometimes when you want to lock texts, you have to click on the three dots of the white top bar to find the lock button. Also, if you want to add more elements to a group, you need to **ungroup and add the new element** in the selection.





#### CHANGE THE TEMPLATE'S STYLE

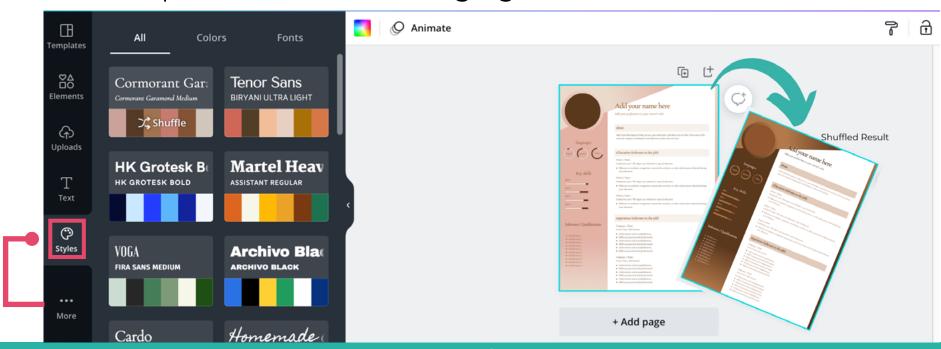
To change the style of the template in the fastest way, you must unblock each element of the template. By default, you can find each component of the background blocked. Once everything is unblocked, click on the three dots in the dark left-sidebar, and select the styles button to attach this tool to your sidebar.

Feel free to **choose a set of colors and fonts.** You can also change just colors or fonts if you click on the options at the top of this sidebar. Shuffle the colors until you like the final result, and if an item doesn't change, it may be because it is locked. If that is the case, unlock it and reapply the change of style.





If you don't fancy any of those color palettes, don't worry, you can use several of **Canva's Features.** Canva's Color Palette Generator (HERE) displays more premade palettes and allows you to create a personal palette using an image. Another tool you can use is Canva's Color Wheel (HERE) to choose the colors you like and make sure they go together. Unfortunately, if you don't own Canva Pro and want to change the colors of our template to a palette that isn't in your style sidebar, you won't be able to do it automatically. This means you will have to spend more time changing each element's color.





#### **UPLOAD A PICTURE**

Adding a picture in the circle or rectangle at the upper left corner of the resume template is very simple. All you need to do is to drag your image twice. The first time, from the folder on your computer to the uploads section of the left-sidebar. The second time, from the uploads folder (in Canva) into the picture section of our template. Once it is there, you can click on your photo and see the picture editing options. We recommend you crop it to the size you wish. Something good about Canva is that it automatically respects the proportions of your picture.

If you are unsure of which image you should add, we recommend choosing a professional-looking picture. In other words, a photograph where you are wearing formal clothes, with a neutral background and looking directly at the camera (not a selfie).



If you want to have unbiased opinions on what your picture projects, we recommend you use Photofeeler (HERE). In the business category, people will vote —based on your picture— on how competent, likable and influential you look.

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**DOUBLE CLICK TO ESCALE IT** 

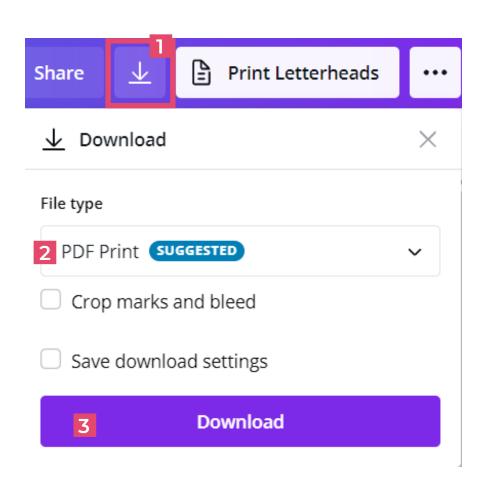




### FINAL THOUGHTS

Once you have edited the template and added all the information needed, you can download your design. The default type is PDF (we recommend you use this), but you can also export it in different formats.

- Exporting options.
- 2 Choose your document type.
- 3 Download button.





Feel free to use our templates, and personalize them. Also, we hope you found this guide on how to edit the template and have great visuals helpful.

If you want to **expand your knowledge on Canva** and learn about everything it offers, check out their Design School (HERE).

# GOOD LUCK! WE LOOK FORWARD TO RECEIVING YOUR INCREDIBLE CV