# THE INTERRUPTED PATH

Chief of Start-Ups & Scale-Ups

# **Alan Tang**

Showing the courage to start a career journey again to pursue new skills and learning

Watch Alan's story on Youtube

Or listen to it by clicking here: 🎶

# Lesson Seed: Combining Careers, Personal Development, and Personal, Social, Health

## Objective:

- Students will be able to analyze the career trajectory of Alan Tang and identify key decision points in his journey.
- Students will be able to evaluate the importance of personal growth and adaptability in career development.
- Students will be able to reflect on the significance of seeking mentorship and seizing new opportunities in achieving career goals.

# **Prior Knowledge:**

- Understanding of basic career development concepts.
- Familiarity with the importance of personal growth and adaptability in career success.
- Knowledge of mentorship and its impact on career progression.

#### **Cue Sets:**

- 1. Listen to Alan Tang's interview and identify key milestones in his career journey.
- 2. Reflect on a time when you had to make a significant career-related decision and share it with a partner.
- 3. Discuss the importance of mentorship in career development with a small group.

#### **Education Allies**

### **Direct Instruction Strategies:**

- 1. Present Alan Tang's career trajectory through a visual timeline.
- 2. Facilitate a class discussion on the significance of personal growth and adaptability in career development.
- 3. Showcase examples of successful mentor-mentee relationships in the culinary industry.

#### **Practice Assignments:**

- 1. Write a reflective journal entry on a time when you had to step out of your comfort zone to pursue a career goal.
- 2. Role-play a mentor-mentee interaction focusing on seeking guidance for career advancement.
- 3. Create a vision board outlining your long-term career aspirations and the steps needed to achieve them.

#### **Team-Based Activities:**

- 1. Brainstorm innovative ways to combine different career paths for a holistic approach to personal development.
- 2. Develop a group presentation on the benefits of networking and seizing new opportunities in career growth.
- 3. Collaborate on a case study analysis of a successful entrepreneur's journey, highlighting key lessons learned.

#### **Deep Questions:**

- 1. How can personal growth and adaptability impact career success in today's rapidly changing job market?
- 2. What role does mentorship play in shaping one's career trajectory, and how can students seek out valuable mentorship opportunities?
- 3. In what ways can combining diverse career paths enhance personal development and overall well-being in the long run?