

## **Am I Ready? Your Self-Employment Checklist**

### **SECTION 1: The Honest Questions**

#### **Financial Reality Check:**

- How many months of expenses do I have saved? \_\_\_\_\_
- Can I survive 3-6 months with little/no income?  Yes  No  Maybe
- Do I have dependents relying on my income?  Yes  No
- My financial comfort level with uncertainty (1-10): \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Personal Readiness:**

- I am self-motivated and don't need external structure:  Yes  No  Sometimes
- I can handle rejection and setbacks:  Yes  No  Learning to
- My family/household supports this decision:  Yes  No  Not discussed yet
- I have time to dedicate to building this (realistically): \_\_\_\_\_ hours/week

#### **The Business Basics:**

- What will I offer? (1-2 sentences):
  
- Who needs this?
  
- How will they find me?

### **SECTION 2: Your Transition Plan**

Which approach feels right for you? (Tick one)

- Test first** - Side hustle while keeping my job
- Gradual shift** - Reduce hours, build business alongside
- Save and plan** - Build cushion, then leap with security
- Leap now** - I'm ready to go full-time

## **SECTION 3: Your First Three Steps**

### **Step 1: Talk to 10 People**

Who will I talk to? (List 10 names/types of people):

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|----------|-----------|
| 1. _____ | 6. _____  |
| 2. _____ | 7. _____  |
| 3. _____ | 8. _____  |
| 4. _____ | 9. _____  |
| 5. _____ | 10. _____ |

What will I ask them?

### **Step 2: Soft Launch**

Who will I offer my service to first? (1-3 people):

### **Step 3: Commit to one action for this week**

The ONE thing I will do this week to move forward: