

D. Unit 4-Explore & Plan Your Career

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Unit Overview

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- Skills that are important in the workplace
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Essential Questions

1. What are your skills and talents?
2. What type of career/job are you interested in?
3. Why is it important to research and plan your career path?
4. What skills do you have now that can help you in your future career?
5. What subject areas are involved in your future career?
6. How can both the apprentice and trainer benefit from an apprenticeship?
7. How can a mentor help you with your career goals?
8. What kind of personality traits and skills would an entrepreneur need to have?

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Skills

- develop a plan

- Explain why it is important to network
- Explore your skills and talents
- Identify and list the most important details that support each topic
- Identify the topic of each section to focus your reading
- Imagine what you will do for a living and describe it to your class
- Interview someone who has a job you want to learn about
- Make Connections

Assessments

Hands on Lab

End of the Chapter Assessment

Teacher Observation

Class Participation

Group Participation

Lessons/Learning Scenarios

It is important to research a and plan your career. People work for many reasons and prepare for work in different ways.

1. Plan your career
2. Career Portfolio
3. Research Careers
4. Work Ethic
5. Networking
6. Professional Organizations
7. The Internet
8. The World of Work
9. Part Time Work
10. Entrepreneurship
11. Discovering Careers

Review and Activities

Standards

WORK.5-8.9.1.8.1

The ability to recognize a problem and apply critical thinking and problem-solving skills to

	solve the problem is a lifelong skill that develops over time.
WORK.5-8.9.1.8.1	The nature of the 21st-century workplace has shifted, demanding greater individual accountability, productivity, and collaboration.
WORK.5-8.9.1.8.1	Gathering and evaluating knowledge and information from a variety of sources, including global perspectives, fosters creativity and innovative thinking.
WORK.5-8.9.1.8.1	Collaboration and teamwork enable individuals or groups to achieve common goals with greater efficiency.
WORK.5-8.9.1.8.1	Effective communication skills convey intended meaning to others and assist in preventing misunderstandings.
WORK.5-8.9.1.8.2	Communication with people from different cultural backgrounds is enhanced by the understanding of different cultural perspectives.
WORK.5-8.9.1.8.A.1	Develop strategies to reinforce positive attitudes and productive behaviors that impact critical thinking and problem-solving skills.
WORK.5-8.9.1.8.D.1	Employ appropriate conflict resolution strategies.
WORK.5-8.9.1.8.D.2	Demonstrate the ability to understand inferences.
WORK.5-8.9.1.8.D.3	Use effective communication skills in face-to-face and online interactions with peers and adults from home and from diverse cultures.
WORK.5-8.9.1.8.E.1	Explain how technology has strengthened the role of digital media in the global society.
WORK.5-8.9.1.8.F.1	Demonstrate how productivity and accountability contribute to realizing individual or group work goals within or outside the classroom.
WORK.5-8.9.1.8.F.3	Relate the use of new technologies at home, in the workplace, and in other settings to incidences of ethical and/or unethical behavior.
WORK.5-8.9.2.8.1	Educational achievement, career choice, and entrepreneurial skills all play a role in achieving a desired lifestyle.
WORK.5-8.9.2.8.A.1	Relate how career choices, education choices, skills, entrepreneurship, and economic conditions affect income.
WORK.5-8.9.2.8.A.2	Differentiate among ways that workers can improve earning power through the acquisition of new knowledge and skills.

Resources

Teacher Created Materials

Safari Montage