

Career & College Planning Get Started



Name _____

Now is a good time for you to start thinking about what kind of career you'd like to have, and to also think about how you want to prepare for your career.

In order to find a career that's a good match for you, you need to first take a look at your interests, your abilities, and what's important to you. To get started, fill in the blanks below.

1. What are your two favorite school subjects? _____
2. Name two hobbies or activities you enjoy. _____
3. Name one thing you do better than most of your friends. _____
4. Name one talent or skill that you have. _____
5. What careers are you interested in learning more about?

6. Imagine that you are at camp, and a tornado comes through destroying everything. Every camper has to help get things up and running again. Look over the list below and put a check by the three jobs you would most like to have. Put an X by any job you wouldn't want.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fix the tents | <input type="checkbox"/> Repair the camp sailboats |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Help out with the injured | <input type="checkbox"/> Write a report on what happened |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare meals | <input type="checkbox"/> Help fix the computers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plan a social activity | <input type="checkbox"/> Comfort the younger campers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Run the emergency radio | <input type="checkbox"/> Help organize the work schedule |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Organize supplies | <input type="checkbox"/> Study the storm damaged areas |

7. Here are six ways you can prepare for a career. Which would you like to learn more about?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 4-year college | <input type="checkbox"/> Career/Trade School | <input type="checkbox"/> HS Career & Technology Program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2-year college | <input type="checkbox"/> Apprenticeship | <input type="checkbox"/> Military |

Look over your answers to the above questions, and use this information to help you think about what career areas might be right for you.

The resources on the Career & College Planning shelf will help you plan for a career. They will also show you how you can prepare for your career. Now, print out the "Your SchoolShelf Progress" page, and use it to identify and keep track of the resources you want to read.