

# Career Step 8

## Dream On

What are your dreams? What do you really want to do? Fill in the blanks below.

If I could play any instrument it would be:

If I could help anyone or anything in the world it would be:

If I could be a writer I would write:

The best talent I could ever have would be:

If I could be a performer I would work as:

If I could go anywhere to college it would be:

If I could get any educational degree it would be:

If I could have any career it would be:

If I could play any sport professionally it would be:

If I could live anywhere in the world it would be:

The greatest thing that I could ever accomplish in my life would be:

# Association Relation

**Word Association: Fill in the blanks with the first word that comes to your mind.**

- 1. Job \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. College \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Occupation \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Career \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Math \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. Reading \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Money \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. Planning \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. Car \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. Goal \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. School \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Future \_\_\_\_\_
- 13. Working inside \_\_\_\_\_
- 14. Working outside \_\_\_\_\_
- 15. Computers \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. Writing \_\_\_\_\_
- 17. Skills \_\_\_\_\_
- 18. Ambition \_\_\_\_\_
- 19. Office \_\_\_\_\_
- 20. Boss \_\_\_\_\_

- 2. List 5 words that had positive associations:**
- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 5. \_\_\_\_\_

- 3. List 3 words that had negative associations:**
- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3. \_\_\_\_\_

- 4. List the words from the list that could match your future goals and / or plans:**
- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 5. \_\_\_\_\_

**5. What can you learn about yourself from your answers in this activity?**

**6. What can you learn about your educational goals from this activity?**

**7. What can you learn about your career goals from this activity?**

# INTERVIEW TIPS

You are interviewing a job applicant. Rate each statement from 1-5 using the following scale: 1-Very Negative.....3-This is OK....5-I want to hire this person!

1. "I think I can do the work for this job." \_\_\_\_\_
2. "I can get you a list of references maybe next week." \_\_\_\_\_
3. "Here's a sample of my work for you to review." \_\_\_\_\_
4. "One of my best skills is problem solving." \_\_\_\_\_
5. "I would like to talk about the skills I could bring to the job." \_\_\_\_\_
6. "I just hate school, so I'm trying to get a job to drop out." \_\_\_\_\_
7. "Sometimes I think I do OK at hard tasks." \_\_\_\_\_
8. "I applied for this job because my parents told me to." \_\_\_\_\_
9. "Here's a copy of my most recent resume." \_\_\_\_\_
10. "I am willing to learn the skills needed for this job." \_\_\_\_\_
11. "I can work well with others." \_\_\_\_\_
12. "My friend works here so I wanted to apply too." \_\_\_\_\_
13. "I can quit my other job anytime to take this one." \_\_\_\_\_
14. "What do I have to learn for this job?" \_\_\_\_\_
15. "I always try to use my time wisely." \_\_\_\_\_
16. "I am willing to learn new skills." \_\_\_\_\_
17. "I think that my experience fits well with this job." \_\_\_\_\_
18. "There's no way I can work on the weekends." \_\_\_\_\_
19. "I really haven't thought about my career goals." \_\_\_\_\_
20. "This job sounded interesting, so I applied." \_\_\_\_\_

What statement #s got the highest ratings? \_\_\_\_\_

What statement #s got the lowest ratings? \_\_\_\_\_

What statement # would you use at a job interview? \_\_\_\_\_

Why? \_\_\_\_\_

# SKILLS CHECK

For each occupation listed, place the letters on the line that match up to the skills needed for the occupation. Then answer the questions below.

1. Math Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Computer Scientist: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Camp Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Children's Author: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. Librarian: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. Hotel Manager: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. Cashier: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

8. Newspaper Reporter: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

9. Coaching Little League: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

10. Tutoring young children: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

11. Owning a business: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

12. Accountant: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



- a. Math Skills
- b. Creativity
- c. Organization
- d. Time Management
- e. Artistic Skills and Talents
- f. Athletic Skills
- g. Organization
- h. Computer Skills
- i. Writing Skills
- j. Communication Skills
- k. Working with Others

1. List 3 skills that you have right now:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. List 3 skills that you would like to develop:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. What 2 occupations from the list on the left seem the most interesting to you?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Why are you interested in these occupations? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. What other occupations interest you?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. What skills are needed for those occupations? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. How can you develop those skills? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

# What do you like to work with?

Find the words listed below in this seek and find puzzle. Then write at least one career that works with each of the words listed below. Visit [www.vacareerview.org](http://www.vacareerview.org) and click on the Career Wheel to explore different careers.

S H B C P P X H N P V D B A H G V E I O W S V T V S O S J R  
 A R N U L A B N E O Y G F C N R I G U H L I S R E O T Q K M  
 A K E W J I C P R J Z J Q I B S Y T U P M T E I Z L R J U R  
 D R K W J N W F D U V Y H X I J S R Y B M O E O E U K S J Q  
 C R A I O T D O L B O T P X T I J M E D I C I N E V I I O A  
 T F F I K L R N I M O U G Y D D O D Y N N L N Z E C P G N L  
 H U J U X G F G H L T F T E R U Q H X S I C J L Y Z H N S E  
 L V M U W W O C C Y O B F Z O U H I U N E H T T F I T S W D  
 F S R H G J O I G K W Q C U F N Y Y V Q Y I C Y P G O W M K  
 F Z F R C J U Y V X G W N O D O L F L H K U N A B L X V N K  
 M V H E Y E N O M B W C S J R T M X Q C V V C L M X P Z H E  
 O A T T L F F D T B M X W S T T U A Z Z N P T F I T X H V H  
 M I T A F X Z D Q Q U W B R X Z V L U F Q Q R F U Z C W N X  
 A H M W O A N N V E X B K J S P B O O K S G Q T D T W F W V  
 K N S F O S F Y B O H O U T V B I C B O F Q J H N M O Q V Q  
 B P I B D W E U G M V Y V E O W C C A R S V O Y Q A R U B J  
 D G D M U B C E I K C F L L U Q S B S U L I L I U I L P S T  
 X K Y M A W J C R Y A P Z D M H K T F E N D A H W G L S A U  
 E T X Y U L R Y G T F E K E H D A P W D K V O F R O V T A S  
 K R U S P O S T W V M P Y R A O Z C S E I C X I B M E N J J  
 H T W O S F Y Y U F Y X E L B R F O Y I R G A X K S W A W N  
 R G D C K D V P X N K F E Y J V B N C Z B J B H X G Z L I O  
 B I O C Z V G T B W T V K G E T C E C O H S X D V P U P J X  
 K P R V F N I F G A M A F K R P K C U W K S X L B E A B O X  
 E E O K O Y F Q N N R D Q K H Q K U S C Y U S T O B X K G G  
 N I F K R R T C T I N K C V H N U Z U S R E B M U N W C G L  
 F I I B V F R O L J E G G O X N P R N H U T I G F Y U H Z A  
 L Y M Q Q F G M O A X P X K Q Y T O O Y X C A W N E C S A B  
 S R E T U P M O C L Y W Q V B T Q B T N R Z H P A U Q G X V  
 S P K W C I S P L C S H N Z V R C E K J Z A U W P X C F A M



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| ANIMALS _____   | MEDICINE _____   |
| BOATS _____     | MICROSCOPE _____ |
| BOOKS _____     | MONEY _____      |
| CARS _____      | MUSIC _____      |
| CHILDREN _____  | NUMBERS _____    |
| CLAY _____      | OUTSIDE _____    |
| CLOTHING _____  | PAINT _____      |
| COMPUTERS _____ | PLANTS _____     |
| ELDERLY _____   | TOOLS _____      |
| FLOWERS _____   | TREES _____      |
| FOOD _____      | TRUCKS _____     |
| MACHINERY _____ | WATER _____      |

- Name 3 things above that you would like to work with the most: \_\_\_\_\_
- Name 3 things above that you would like to work with the least: \_\_\_\_\_
- Name 3 occupations you listed to research: \_\_\_\_\_