

ALL ABOUT CAREERS



Think about a career that you might like to have.
Draw a picture that shows something about this career.

WHAT IS A CAREER?

A career is the kind of work a person does.

A career:

- ▶ is something a person learns how to do.
- ▶ is based on what a person likes.
- ▶ is based on what a person can do well.



Think about a career you're interested in and write or draw answers to the questions below.

What career did you choose? _____

What skills do you need for this career?

What tools will you use?

Where would you work?

What other careers would people you work with have?

KINDS OF CAREERS

There are many kinds of careers. Careers are often grouped together based on how they are alike.

The careers in a group may:

- ▶ use the same kinds of tools.
- ▶ have workers with the same skills.
- ▶ have workers with the same education or training.



Draw a line from each career to the group (A–G) it's a part of.

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|------------------------|--|
| 1. banker | A. careers that keep people healthy |
| 2. truck driver | B. careers that help people with their money |
| 3. website maker | C. careers that work outside with plants and animals |
| 4. tree trimmer | D. careers that draw, build, and fix structures |
| 5. nurse | E. careers that work with computers |
| 6. brick layer | F. careers that teach or train others |
| 7. first grade teacher | G. careers that help people and things get from one place to another |

WHAT DO YOU LIKE?

People choose a career based on what they like.

For example, a person who wants to be a doctor might:

- ▶ like learning about science.
- ▶ like working with people.
- ▶ want to help others.



Think about what you like. Write your answers.

My favorite subject in school is ...

In my free time, I like to ...

Circle the sentences that describe you.

I like being around people.

I like saving and counting money.

I like making things.

I like drawing and coloring.

I like reading and writing.

I like helping in my community.

I like to do math problems.

I like being outside.

I like learning about plants and animals.

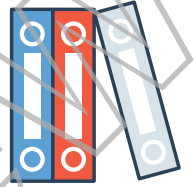
I like figuring out how things work.

WHAT CAN YOU DO WELL?

People choose a career based on what they can do well.

For example, a person might choose to be a librarian because:

- ▶ they are organized.
- ▶ they are good at reading and writing.
- ▶ they work well with others.
- ▶ they are good at using computers.



Think about what you do well. Write your answer.

I am really good at . . .

Circle the sentences that describe you.

I am athletic.

I am good at puzzles.

My school work is neat and organized.

I am good at building with blocks and Legos.

I am a good team member.

I am good at working on my own.

I am not afraid to talk in front of others.

I am good with animals.

I am a good listener.

I am good at drawing.

CAREERS IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Think about the people who work in your school.
Think about the people who work in your
community. Careers are all around you!



Draw and label a career in each square.

Someone who works in a
hospital

Someone who works in a
school

Someone who keeps the
community safe

Someone who fixes things
for people

CAREER PATHS

A career path is a plan. It helps a person prepare for the career they want.

A career path can include:

- ▶ getting good grades in school.
- ▶ going to college.
- ▶ practicing skills and learning how to use tools.
- ▶ having similar jobs in the same career group.

Listed below are parts of a career path for three different careers: a nurse, a banker, and a chef.

Write an N if you think it's part of a nurse's career path, a B if it's part of a banker's, or a C for a chef's.

- _____ 1. Take business classes in college
- _____ 2. Get good grades in science
- _____ 3. Volunteer at a hospital front desk
- _____ 4. Work as a server in a restaurant
- _____ 5. Keep track of and save money
- _____ 6. Try different recipes at home
- _____ 7. Go to cooking school
- _____ 8. Get good grades in math

REACH FOR THE STARS!

Look back at pages 3 and 4. Think about the things you like and the things you do well. Then write or draw your answers in the boxes.



A good career for me would be . . .

I would be good at this because . . .

To get ready for this career, I can . . .