Career Awareness and Preparation

13.1.5

A. Describe the impact of individual interests and abilities on career choices.
B. Describe the impact of personal interests and abilities on career choices.
C. Relate the impact of change to both traditional and nontraditional careers.
D. Describe the range in career training programs in the community such as, but not limited to: 2- and 4-year colleges career and technical education programs at centers (formerly AVTS) and high schools, PA CareerLink, community/recreation centers, faith-based organizations, local industry training centers, military programs, registered apprenticeships, vocational rehabilitation centers, and web-based training.
E. Describe the factors that influence career choices, such as, but not limited to: geographic location, job description, salaries/benefits, work schedule and working conditions.
F. Investigate people’s rationale for making career choices.
G. Identify the components of a career plan such as, but not limited to: beginnings of a career portfolio, career goals, individual interests and abilities, and training/education requirements and costs.
H. Connect personal interests, abilities and academic strengths to personal career options.

Career Acquisition

13.2.5

A. Apply appropriate speaking and listening techniques used in conversation.
B. Identify and review resources available in researching job opportunities such as, but not limited to: Internet, magazines and newspapers.
C. Compose and compare a business and a personal letter.
D. Identify individualized career portfolio components such as, but not limited to: achievements, awards/ recognition, career exploration results, career plans, community service involvement projects, interests/hobbies, personal career goals, selected school work, self-inventories.
E. Apply to daily activities the essential workplace skills such as, but not limited to: commitment, communication, dependability, health/safety, personal initiative, scheduling/time management, team building, technical literacy, and technology.
Career Retention and Advancement

A. Explain how student attitudes and work habits transfer from the home and school to the workplace.
B. Explain the importance of working well with others at both home and school to complete a task.
C. Identify effective group interaction strategies such as, but not limited to: building consensus, communicating effectively, establishing ground rules, and listening to others.
D. Explain budgeting.
E. Develop a personal schedule based on activities and responsibilities at both home and school.
F. Describe the impact of role changes at home, school and work, and how role changes impact career advancement and retention.
G. Describe how personal interests and abilities impact lifelong learning.

Entrepreneurship

A. Identify the risks and rewards of entrepreneurship.
B. Discuss the entrepreneurial character traits of historical or contemporary entrepreneurs.
C. Discuss the steps entrepreneurs take to bring their goods or services to market such as, but not limited to: marketing, production, research and development, and selection of goods and services.
13.1.5A Describe the impact of individual interests and abilities on career choices.

**Lesson Topic**
What I Like

**Subject**
Language Arts

**Length**
One class period

**Materials**
Paper, pencil

**Evaluation**
Students will explore their interests/hobbies and become aware of how their interests/hobbies match certain careers.

**Procedure:**

1. The teacher discusses how interests and hobbies or things a student likes to do are important. The teacher provides a few examples of how these interests can match careers in the workplace.

2. Students generate a list of hobbies or activities that they like to participate in either at home, at school or in the community.

3. Students list their two favorite classes in school.

4. Students are paired with a partner and work together to list at least one career/job that matches or relates to each of their interests/hobbies.

5. Students share the answers with the class.
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<td>Students will portray themselves and what is most important to them through their collages.</td>
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### Procedure:

1. The teacher explains how a student’s interests, abilities and hobbies can help them in making decisions as to what they may want to do when they grow up.
2. The teacher distributes half-sheets of poster board, magazines, glue, and scissors.
3. Students cut out pictures of their interests, abilities, hobbies, and things they like.
4. Students paste these items on their poster board.
5. Students list jobs that may match the things that they like on the back of the poster board.
6. Students share their artwork with the class.
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#### 5th Grade ■ Career Awareness and Preparation ■ Language Arts

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<td>Students will list jobs that they think are traditional and nontraditional careers and take part in a group discussion on their reasoning.</td>
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**Procedure:**

1. Teacher provides writing area on the board for traditional and nontraditional careers and provides students with *Traditional and Nontraditional Careers* worksheet.
2. The teacher leads the discussion by defining traditional and nontraditional careers.
3. Discussion can include:
   - Careers for men: These are careers where few men work, for example preschool teachers, nurses, dietitians, librarians, dental hygienists, secretaries, and paralegals.
   - Careers for women: These are careers where few women work, for example engineers, construction workers, police, and automotive technicians.
4. Students are paired up and complete the *Traditional and Nontraditional Careers* worksheet.
5. Once the students complete the worksheet, the teacher leads another discussion asking students to share their answers and copies the information on the board.
6. The teacher asks students to talk about reasons men or women may not choose a nontraditional career and reasons why they should.
Traditional and Nontraditional Careers

List as many traditional and nontraditional jobs as you can in the space provided below.

**Traditional Jobs**

For men:

__________________________________________

__________________________________________

__________________________________________

__________________________________________

__________________________________________

For women:

__________________________________________

__________________________________________

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__________________________________________

**Nontraditional Jobs**

For men:

__________________________________________

__________________________________________

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__________________________________________

__________________________________________

For women:

__________________________________________

__________________________________________

__________________________________________

__________________________________________

__________________________________________

Do you like any of the nontraditional jobs listed by the class?

Why or why not?
Career Awareness and Preparation

5th Grade  ■  Career Awareness and Preparation  ■  Language Arts, Computer

| Competency | 13.1.5D Describe the range of career-training programs in the community such as, but not limited to, 2- and 4-year colleges, career and technical education programs at centers and high schools, PA CareerLink, community/recreation centers, faith-based organizations, local industry training centers, military programs, registered apprenticeships, vocational rehabilitation centers, and web-based training. |
| Lesson Topic | Career Training in My Community |
| Subject | Language Arts, Computer |
| Length | One-and-a-half class periods (homework) |
| Materials | Career Training in My Community worksheet, pencil |
| Evaluation | Students will identify the different types of career training programs in their community through research. |

Procedure:

Class Period 1
1. Distribute the Career Training in My Community worksheet and explain that students must use various sources to gain information, such as the internet, phone book, parents, etc.
2. Students complete assignment for homework and credit.

Class Period 2
1. Students share results with the class, and the teacher discusses what the programs have to offer.
Career Training in My Community

Name: __________________________________________________________

List any of the following career training programs that are in your community. Not sure what they are? Ask an adult for help!

2- or 4-Year Colleges:
____________________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________________

Vocational / Technical Schools:
____________________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________________

CareerLink:
____________________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________________

Community / Recreation Centers:
____________________________________________________________________________________
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Military Programs:
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Faith-Based Organizations:
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<td>Students will explore careers using EducationPlanner.org.</td>
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Procedure:

1. A computer lab is needed for this activity. Have students go to EducationPlanner.org.
2. The teacher asks students to go to the Student tab and choose the “Career Planning” link.
3. Students select the “Find Careers” link and choose “Career Search” (the third link in the middle of the page).
4. The teacher distributes the Career Choices worksheet.
5. Students research careers and complete the Career Choices worksheet. Students can work in pairs if there are not enough computers available for all students.
6. Students discuss their findings with the class.
Name: ____________________________________________________________

Take some time and find out where some jobs are actually located, what is done throughout the day, and how much people make.

**Job Title:** ____________________________________________________________

Where is it located? ______________________________________________________

Is it close to home? YES NO

Can you walk? YES NO

Do you have to move? YES NO

When do they work? IN THE MORNING NIGHT WEEKENDS

**Job Title:** ____________________________________________________________

Where is it located? ______________________________________________________

Is it close to home? YES NO

Can you walk? YES NO

Do you have to move? YES NO

When do they work? IN THE MORNING NIGHT WEEKENDS
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Procedure:

Class Period 1
1. Teacher discusses the many ways people prepare for careers through work and school.
2. Teacher provides the Career Interview worksheet for students to complete with an adult for homework.
3. Students interview a family member who works and the reasons why they chose their career.

Class Period 2
1. Teacher directs students to write the results of their interview into a summary format.
2. Teacher asks volunteers to share their interview summaries with the class.
3. Students turn in Career Interview worksheet and summary for homework credit.
Career Interview

Name: ________________________________

Ask the following questions to a family member who has a job and write in the results.

Name: ________________________________

Where do you work?

_____________________________________________________________________________________

_____________________________________________________________________________________

How did you get your job?

_____________________________________________________________________________________

_____________________________________________________________________________________

Why did you decide to work at your job?

_____________________________________________________________________________________

_____________________________________________________________________________________

Did you need college/training to get your job? ______________

How long have you worked there? ______________

Do you like your job? ______________

Why or why not?

_____________________________________________________________________________________

_____________________________________________________________________________________

If you could do something else, what would it be? Why?

_____________________________________________________________________________________

_____________________________________________________________________________________

What advice can you give me when thinking about jobs and my future?

_____________________________________________________________________________________

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Career Education & Work Standards Lesson Plans - Grade 5
Career Awareness and Preparation

5th Grade ■ Career Awareness and Preparation ■ Language Arts

| Competency | 13.1.5G Identify the components of a career plan such as, but not limited to, beginnings of a career portfolio, career goals, individual interests and abilities, training/education requirements, and costs. |
| Lesson Topic | Careers and Me |
| Subject | Language Arts |
| Length | One-and-a-half class periods |
| Materials | Careers, Training & Me worksheet, pencil. Additional materials and assessments are available on EducationPlanner.org. |
| Evaluation | Students will explore career plans, including career goals, interests, abilities, and training. |

Procedure:

Class Period 1
1. Teacher discusses the importance of starting to think about what they may like to be or do when they graduate school. Teacher explains the importance of matching their likes to a career so students can enjoy what they will do in the workplace.
2. Teacher provides students with the Careers, Training & Me worksheet.
3. Students use remainder of the classroom time to complete worksheet.
4. Students take worksheet home to complete for homework.

Class Period 2
1. Students discuss their career goals with the group.
2. Students share the training/education requirements, research and costs associated with their career goal, using one of the schools they listed on their worksheet.
Careers, Training & Me

Worksheet

Name: __________________________________________________________

Complete the worksheet about your goals, interests, abilities, and skills. Ask an adult to help you investigate the training and education for your goal.

My goals for this school year:

_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________

Things I like to do in my spare time:

_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________

I prefer to be inside or outside: _______________________________________________________

Sports that I play:

_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________

Activities that I am involved with:

_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________
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What I would like to be when I grow up: _______________________________________________

My favorite classes:

_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________

Classes I do not like:

_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________
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My special talents:

_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________
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Books I like to read:

_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________
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Career Awareness and Preparation

5th Grade ■ Career Awareness and Preparation ■ Language Arts

| Competency | 13.1.5H Connect personal interests, abilities and academic strengths to personal career options. |
| Lesson Topic | Classes Count |
| Subject | Language Arts |
| Length | Homework, one-half of a class period |
| Materials | Classes Count worksheet, pencil |
| Evaluation | Students will be able to show how school subjects relate to a career and how they are used in the workforce. |

Procedure:

1. Teacher provides students with the Classes Count worksheet.
2. Students select the classes they like and list related jobs next each one.
3. Students turn in assignment for classroom credit.
Classes Count

Name: __________________________________________________________

Circle your top two or three favorite classes. List as many jobs as you can think of that would require the classes you listed in order to be successful.

Math

Science

Social Studies

English / Reading

Art

Music

Gym

Computers

From all of the jobs you listed, which one do you like the best and why?

_____________________________________________________________________________________

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Career Acquisition

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Procedure:

1. Teacher chooses a student to play a role and a student to write responses on the board.
2. The teacher asks the rest of the class to watch the conversation and think about how the teacher is not listening to the student.
3. The teacher and student have a conversation about what the student did during the weekend and the teacher displays poor listening techniques that can include, but are not limited to:
   - Poor or no eye contact
   - Interrupting the student
   - Changing the subject
   - Walking away
   - Playing with an item
   - Looking through a bag
4. The students provide examples of how the teacher was not listening well during the role-playing exercise, and the answers are written on the board.
5. Students can take turns role-playing using their worst speaking and listening techniques.
6. The teacher provides examples of appropriate listening techniques and why it is important at home, at school, and in a job/career.
### Career Acquisition

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**Procedure:**

**Class Period 1**

1. Teacher provides students with the **Job Search** worksheet and either internet access or newspaper classified ads.

2. If internet access is available, the teacher should write a list of websites for job seekers on the board. These can include CareerLink, newspaper websites, Monster, etc. Students research and write about three jobs that may be of interest.

3. Students research and write about three jobs that may be of interest to them.

4. Teacher saves the assignment for the next lesson and will use these worksheets with the **My Career** worksheet.
13.2.5B continued

Class Period 2
1. Teacher provides students with the My Career worksheet.
2. Teacher also provides students with the Job Search worksheet completed in class one.
3. From the three jobs found either through the internet or newspaper classified ads, students pick the one that interests them the most and research it using the My Career worksheet.
4. This activity can be a homework assignment but also should allow for internet research.
My Career

Name: ____________________________________________________________

Job choice: ________________________________________________________

Salary: $ __________________________________________________________

Education needed: ________________________________________________

Describe the job:

________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________

What do you think you would like the best about the job?

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________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________

Draw a picture of you at your job!
# Job Search

**Worksheet**

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Competency  13.2.5C Compose and compare a business letter and a personal letter.

Lesson Topic  Business Letters

Subject  Language Arts

Length  One-and-a-half class periods or one class period plus a homework assignment

Materials  Let’s Create a Business Letter worksheet, pencil

Evaluation  Students will compose a business letter.

Procedure:

Class Period 1
1. Teacher explains the reason for writing a business letter. For example, many business letters are used to request information or order materials.
2. Teacher distributes and reviews the Let’s Create a Business Letter with the class.
3. Students pick one of six topics to write about and request information.
4. Students start writing their letter on a blank piece of paper.
5. The teacher explains that if the assignment is not complete at the end of class, student should complete it for homework.

Class Period 2
1. Students hand in their business letters for class credit.
Business Letter Tips

There are six parts of a business letter; use this form to help you write your own letter.

Part 1: Heading

Your address
City, state and zip code
Month, day and year

Part 2: Inside Address

Name of the recipient
Address of the recipient
City, state and zip code

Part 3: Formal Introduction

Pick one:
• Dear Sir or Madam,
• Dear Mr. Richards, (Use this if you know the person’s last name.)
• Ladies and Gentlemen,

Part 4: Body
(where you write your message)

Pick one of these topics:
• Write to a TV station telling them why you like a certain cartoon
• Ask your favorite singer/band for an autograph
• Contact a local company asking for information about their product
• Ask a sports team for a donation for your school
• Tell a book author why you liked their book
• Ask the principal for something special for your school

Part 5: Closing

Pick one:
• Sincerely
• Yours Truly

Part 6: Signature

Sign your first and last name in cursive
Let’s Create a Business Letter

Name: __________________________________________________________

Part 1: Heading
---------------------------------------------

Part 2: Inside Address
---------------------------------------------

Part 3: Formal Introduction
---------------------------------------------

Part 4: Body
(where you write your message)

Part 5: Closing
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Part 6: Signature
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Career Acquisition

| Competency | 13.2.5D Identify individualized career portfolio components such as, but not limited to, achievements, awards/recognition, career exploration results, career plans, community service involvement projects, interests/hobbies, personal career goals, selected school work, self-inventories. |
| Lesson Topic | All About Me |
| Subject | Language Arts, Health |
| Length | One class period |
| Materials | All About Me worksheet, pencil |
| Evaluation | Students will learn parts of a career portfolio through a self-exploration exercise. |

Procedure:

1. Teacher provides students with the All About Me worksheet and explains that all of the things that they do at home, at school, and in the community are important.

2. Students list their achievements, sports and activities on the worksheet.

3. The teacher explains the reason for this lesson is because throughout school students will need to complete a career portfolio for college, work and volunteering in the community.

4. The teacher can keep these worksheets and pass them on to the Guidance Office for record retention.
All About Me

Name: __________________________________________________________

Fill in the information below using experiences from home, from school or in your community!

List any awards or honors you have received: ____________________________

___________________________________________________________

Are you involved in community service activities? If so, what? ____________________________

______________________________________________________________________________

______________________________________________________________________________

______________________________________________________________________________

What are your interests or hobbies? ____________________________

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What are your favorite subjects in school? ____________________________

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______________________________________________________________________________

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Are you on any sports teams? Do you help with any sports teams? ____________________________

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What do you want to do after high school? Why? ____________________________

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______________________________________________________________________________

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5th Grade ■ Career Acquisition ■ Language Arts, Gym/Health

**Competency**

13.2.5E Apply to daily activities the essential workplace skills such as, but not limited to, commitment, communication, dependability, health/safety, personal initiative, scheduling/time management, team building, technical literacy, technology.

**Lesson Topic**

Teamwork

**Subject**

Language Arts, Gym/Health

**Length**

One class period

**Materials**

Student participation

**Evaluation**

Students will work together to demonstrate the importance of getting along with others.

**Procedure:**

1. Teacher divides the classroom into two groups which stay together for the following two team building activities:
   - Students are instructed to line up by the month and day they were born and are timed against the other team. The team that correctly completes the task first wins.
   - Students are instructed to line up alphabetically by the first letter of their last name. The group that correctly completes this task first wins.

2. The teacher brings the group together for a larger timed activity.

3. Students are tasked with lining up from shortest to tallest without speaking to one another and timed.

4. Once completed, the teacher provides students with a minute to talk about how they can do this again.

5. The teacher times students a second time to see if they were able to improve upon their time by working together.
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<td>Students will learn how the way they act at home and at school will affect them someday in their jobs.</td>
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Procedure:

1. The teacher writes the following words on the board and asks the class to give reasons why they think these things may affect them later in life at work: (To encourage more interaction, the teacher can select volunteers to write the answers under each topic on the board.)

2. To encourage more interaction, the teacher can select volunteers to write the answers under each topic on the board.
   - Good attendance
   - Paying attention
   - Taking turns
   - Listening
   - Being on time
   - Following rules
   - Cooperating
   - Getting good grades
   - Completing homework
### Competency

**13.3.5B** Explain the importance of working cooperatively with others at both home and school to complete a task.

### Lesson Topic

Web of Cooperation

### Subject

Language Arts, Health/Gym

### Length

One class period

### Materials

Students, large space, stopwatch

### Evaluation

Students will be able to describe how they cooperate at home and at school through an interactive team building activity.

### Procedure:

1. Teacher defines and describes what cooperation means and provides examples.
2. Students share ways that they cooperate at home and school.
3. Teacher divides students into groups of five or more.
4. The teacher has each student take the hand of another student across from him or her in a circle-like way.
5. The teacher instructs the students that they need to make a circle without letting go of the person’s hand that they have.
6. The teacher announces “go” and starts the stopwatch.
7. The teacher records the times of each group.
8. This activity can take two or three more times to try to beat the high score.
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| Competency | 13.3.5C Identify effective group interaction strategies such as, but not limited to: building consensus, communicating effectively, establishing ground rules, listening to others. |
| Lesson Topic | Project Communication |
| Subject | Language Arts, Computers, Science, Social Studies |
| Length | Three to four or more class periods |
| Materials | Internet access with printing capability, poster board, scissors, tape, pencils, pens, markers. |
| Evaluation | Students will learn the importance of group interaction strategies through a hands-on project. |

Procedure:

1. Students are divided into groups of four or five depending on the size of the classroom.
2. Each group is provided with internet access with printing capability, poster board, scissors, markers, tape.
3. Students are told they are to research something and present their findings using the poster board provided.
4. Students have to decide the following items on their own without teacher assistance: topic to research, who will be in charge of what, who is going to present the results to the classroom, and any other issues that come about in the group.
5. No other guidance is provided on this assignment. This assignment can take place over three to four class periods.
6. The purpose of this exercise is to have students build census, communicate effectively, establish ground rules on their own, and listen to others. Students may receive credit for the project, as well.
7. Once the project has been presented, the teacher can discuss the importance of building census, communicating effectively, establishing ground rules, and listening to others, and ask students to share their experience with the group.
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<td>Math</td>
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<td>Length</td>
<td>One class period, homework assignment</td>
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<td>Materials</td>
<td>Paper, pencil, crayons, <strong>Household Budget</strong> worksheet</td>
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<td>Evaluation</td>
<td>Students will complete a household budget as a homework assignment.</td>
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**Procedure:**

1. Teacher distributes the **Household Budget** worksheet to students for homework.

2. Students work with their parents/guardians to fill in the cost of items in their households. (This exercise shows how money is used.)

3. Extra space is provided for additional household costs. There is also space for students to comment on what they think about the cost of having a home.

4. Teacher leads class discussion on the importance of a budget and checks to make sure assignment was completed.
# Household Budget

Ask someone in your family to help you with this assignment. If you are not sure what some words mean, ask for help. Do your best and don’t worry if the answers are not perfect!

Who is helping you? ____________________________________________

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<th>Item</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<td>Rent / mortgage</td>
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<td>Heat</td>
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<td>Water</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
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Are there any other costs not listed that you can think of? Write them down.
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<td>Length</td>
<td>Two class periods</td>
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<td>Materials</td>
<td>My Time Chart worksheet</td>
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<td>Evaluation</td>
<td>Students will be able to describe some of the planning they do at home and at school.</td>
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Procedure:

Class Period 1

1. Teacher discusses how time is used in school. Examples include why there are different times for lunch, recess and gym. The teacher should explain how this is done to provide time for all of their other classes, such as Math, Reading, and Social Studies.

2. Ask the students to complete the My Time Chart worksheet at home and mark all the things that they do starting at 3:00 PM and ending at 8:00 PM for the 4 days listed, Monday through Thursday.

Class Period 2

1. Lead a class discussion on students’ results from the My Time Chart worksheets and have them suggest ways to plan their time more effectively in order to have time to accomplish what they “need” to do and what they “want” to do.

2. Teacher collects My Time Chart worksheet for homework credit.
My Time Chart

Name: __________________________________________________________

Write in what you do during the times listed below for Monday through Thursday.

<table>
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<th>Time</th>
<th>Monday</th>
<th>Tuesday</th>
<th>Wednesday</th>
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<td>3:00–4:00 PM</td>
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What did you spend the most time doing?
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

Was there anything else that you wanted to do, but did not have time for?
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
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<td>Roles</td>
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<td>Social Studies</td>
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<td>Length</td>
<td>Homework, one class period</td>
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<td>Materials</td>
<td>Role Changes worksheet, pencil</td>
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<td>Evaluation</td>
<td>Students will recognize their roles change as they get older and that roles can play a part in careers.</td>
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Procedure:

1. Teacher discusses role changes in the home throughout history. This can include the women’s movement—from stay-at-home moms to working mothers, from working fathers to stay-at-home dads—and how roles change as people age.

2. The teacher distributes the Role Changes worksheet to students as a homework assignment.

3. Students discuss the answers with the group and turn in the worksheet for credit.
Role Changes

WORKSHEET

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Answer the questions below:

1. How have your roles in school changed since you were in kindergarten? Do you get to do more things? What are they? ________________________________________________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________

2. How will these things help when you get a job, help you keep a job, and move into a better position? 
   ___________________________________________________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________

3. How have your roles at home changed since you were in kindergarten? Do you get to do more things or have more chores? What are they?
   ___________________________________________________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________

4. How will these things help when you get a job, help you keep a job, and move into a better position?
   ___________________________________________________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________

5. Ask someone you live with about how their roles in the home and at school have helped them in the workplace.
   • Who did you ask? ____________________________________________________
   • How did school help? _________________________________________________
   • How does home help? ________________________________________________
   • Have any of these items helped them keep their job or move into a better job?
   ___________________________________________________________________
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5th Grade  ■  Career Retention and Advancement  ■  Language Arts, Social Studies, Science

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<td>My Interests and Abilities</td>
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<td>Materials</td>
<td>Teacher must develop a slide show of lifelong learning examples as described in the procedure.</td>
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<td>Evaluation</td>
<td>Teacher and students will take part in a discussion as to why lifelong learning is important.</td>
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**Procedure:**

1. Define what lifelong learning means and provide examples of why it is important to continue to learn in school, home and the community. Lifelong learning means it is never too soon or too late for learning. You should be open to new ideas, skills, behaviors, and choices.

2. Using the slide show, discuss examples of lifelong learning. This slide show can include, but is not limited to:
   - **Technology** – Includes televisions, computers, iPods, and cell phones. Teacher can remind students how music devices have changed through time and show pictures. This could include eight-track tapes, records, cassettes, a Walkman, CDs, and iPods.
   - **Transportation** – Includes cars, trucks, motorcycles, and hybrid cars.
   - **Academics** – Speak about lifelong learning to gain new skills.
   - **Workforce** – Speak on how continued lifelong learning helps workers keep up with changes in the workplace, such as new telephone systems, computer programs, etc.
   - **Communication** – Includes the Pony Express, telegraph, rotary phone, wall (corded) phone, cordless phone, cell phone, etc.

3. Get students involved by asking them to name new products in any of the above topics or ask if they can think of anything else that may involve lifelong learning.
Entrepreneurship

5th Grade ▪ Entrepreneurship ▪ Language Arts, Social Studies, Computer

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<td>What Is an Entrepreneur?</td>
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<td>Subject</td>
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<tr>
<td>Length</td>
<td>One-and-a-half class periods, homework</td>
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<td>Materials</td>
<td>None</td>
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<td>Evaluation</td>
<td>Teacher and students will take part in defining and discussing the term entrepreneur and provide examples of famous entrepreneurs.</td>
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Procedure:

Class Period 1
1. Teacher first asks students if anyone knows what the term entrepreneur means.
2. Teacher defines the word “entrepreneur” to students.
   - Entrepreneur – A person who organizes, manages and assumes the risk of business. A person or group who starts a business on their own based on an idea, product or skill.
3. Teacher provides examples of famous entrepreneurs and asks students to name a few, if they can. Examples:
   - Walt Disney – Mickey Mouse, Disney
   - Henry Ford – Ford Motor Cars
   - Ben Cohen and Jerry Greenfield – Ben and Jerry’s ice cream
   - Milton Hershey – Chocolate
13.4.5A continued

Class Period 2
1. The teacher has students share their findings with the class and write some answers on the board.
2. The teacher can ask students to explain the risks and rewards of entrepreneurship. Answers can be recorded on the board and can be both broad and specific to the entrepreneurs they researched.
Competency

13.4.5B Discuss the entrepreneurial character traits of historical or contemporary entrepreneurs.

Lesson Topic

Character Traits

Subject

Language Arts

Length

Homework, one class period

Materials

None

Evaluation

Students will learn what adaptability, creative thinking, ethical behavior, leadership, positive attitude, and risk taking is and recognize that these traits are needed to be successful.

Procedure:

1. Teacher provides homework assignment using the following character traits for students to define and use in a sentence:
   - Adaptability – The ability to change or be changed
   - Creative thinking – Creating something new or original
   - Ethical behavior – Doing the right thing
   - Leadership – The ability to get others to follow
   - Positive attitude – Certainty in feelings, beliefs and values
   - Risk taking – The willingness to make mistakes and go after or try to fix things/items that are difficult

2. Students share answers with the class.

3. Teacher asks students why they think it is important to be able to do these things when trying to do something new.

4. Credit can be provided for this assignment.
Entrepreneurship

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<td>Length</td>
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<td>Materials</td>
<td>Paper, pencil, internet, Get It To the Store worksheet</td>
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<td>Evaluation</td>
<td>Students will learn how entrepreneurs turn their ideas and dreams into a real product.</td>
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Procedure:

5. The teacher asks students to pick a product that they like. This can be anything, such as a car, soda, video game, etc.

6. Students research their product via the internet and record their results on the Get It To the Store worksheet.

7. Students can present their findings to the class or turn in the worksheet for credit.
Get It To the Store

Worksheet

Name: __________________________________________________________

Product Name: ________________________________________________

How was your product made? ______________________________________
________________________________________________________________

Where was your product made? ______________________________________
________________________________________________________________

How do they market their product? Do you see it on TV, in magazines, in newspapers, online?
________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________

Does the company who makes your product have a research team or group of people that make or come up with new ideas? ________________________________
________________________________________________________________

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