



Explore Career Possibilities

TARGET GRADES

Middle School

OBJECTIVE

Utilizing fun posters as a jump off point, students will research different jobs to explore their career possibilities. They will start with thinking about a career someone they know does, then learn by researching other careers. The “It Takes A Lot of Jobs” poster series will spark them to consider a large range of jobs they may not already know.

MATERIALS

Access to internet

[“It Takes A Lot of Jobs” Posters](#)

Explore Career Possibilities Worksheet, attached here

PREP TIME REQUIRED

Varies

PREP STEPS

Print and hang “It Takes A Lot of Jobs” Posters for students around your classroom (It is fun if you can print them in color, but they also print well in black and white.)

Create a sample Explore Career Possibilities worksheet

ACTIVITY TIME REQUIRED

20-30 minutes for students to review posters and research questions for worksheet

15 minutes to share with classmates and debrief as a class

ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

- Present “It Takes A Lot of Jobs” poster series to the class
- Hand out and introduce students to the “Explore Career Possibilities” worksheet
- Students will use the posters around the room to identify three careers: 1. A career someone they know does, 2. A career they haven’t heard of, and 3. A career they are interested in
- Students will work individually to complete the worksheet through online research

Small Group Discussion

- Have students get into small groups of 2-4 and share the career they were most interested in and why. They should include what they learned about this career that excited them most.

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Explore Career Possibilities

Find a career someone you know does: _____

What is the career? Who does it? What have they told you about it?

Find a career you haven't heard of before: _____

What is the career? Research and describe what it is. What type of education/training is needed?

Find a career you are interested in: _____

What is the career? Research and describe what it is. What type of education/training is needed?
