This competency-based training package instructs teachers of grades K-12 on how to infuse the "Occupational Outlook Handbook" (OOH) and concepts contained within it into their existing curricula. The package includes information on how to plan a workshop, helpful hints and techniques for leading groups, six learning modules, and pre- and postworkshop self-assessment instruments for workshop participants. Addressed in the individual modules are the following topics: basic principles of career development, methods of developing infused activities, the OOH and occupational information, and strategies for helping students understand the labor market and the economy and explore careers. Each module contains some or all of the following: a statement of purpose, a list of competencies addressed in the module, abstracts of learning activities, lessons that includes a cross-referenced instructor's outline and notes, suggested evaluation instruments and techniques, sample handouts, and transparency masters. (MN)
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PREFACE

The need to help individuals make informed career decisions is a critical and continuing one. One means of addressing this need in a practical and lasting way is through our nation's educational institutions, by providing them with methods of using readily accessible and current career information resources.

Prompted by the Career Education Incentive Act (P.L. 95-207), the National Occupational Information Coordinating Committee (NOICC), the U.S. Department of Education and the Bureau of Labor Statistics initiated a project focused on preparing teachers to infuse career information into the classroom.

The Occupational Outlook Handbook (OOH) is commonly available in schools and colleges, and it is updated regularly—two of many features that make it an ideal principal career information resource. However, like a dictionary, encyclopedia or other reference book, the OOH requires some skill and knowledge if it is to be used effectively. Learning the concepts needed to understand the information in the OOH takes a certain amount of effort—and, in return, provides both knowledge and a resource that can be used throughout a lifetime. For these reasons alone, it made sense to help teachers with the critical task of infusing these concepts into their course curriculum.

The New York State Occupational Information Coordinating Committee's "National Career Education Infusion Project" was selected from proposals submitted by more than twenty states to develop materials to address this need. Now—after intensive effort involving numerous individuals, organizations, and institutions—this publication, Career Information in the Classroom, has been produced. NOICC expects this workshop guide will prove to be a significant tool for advancing the use of occupational information by individuals making career decisions.

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The decade of the 1980s will be one of many changes in the structure of American society as our nation moves into the Computer Age, and many of the most dramatic changes are certain to take place in the world of work. Career Information in the Classroom: Workshop Guide for Infusing the Occupational Outlook Handbook will be a valuable tool for classroom teachers trying to help America's young citizens learn about these changes.

Career Information in the Classroom provides teachers with both knowledge of concepts and practical resources for infusion into their curricula concerning the dynamics of the economy and the labor market as well as the actual development of one's career. The publication is unique in its scope; it contains suggestions for classroom teachers from kindergarten to twelfth grade and all subject areas. We believe that this material will have a positive influence on thousands of students.

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INSTRUCTOR'S MANUAL

This manual is designed to help you motivate and teach others who are interested in incorporating occupational information into their curricula. It provides (1) an overview of the training package, (2) information on how to plan a workshop, and (3) helpful hints and techniques for leading groups.

SECTION 1. OVERVIEW OF THE TRAINING PACKAGE

This competency-based training package instructs teachers of grades K-12 on how to infuse the use of the Occupational Outlook Handbook (OOH) and the concepts contained within it into their curricula. The package contains six instructional modules, which address concepts that relate to the OOH and to infusion: (1) Basic Principles of Career Development, (2) How to Develop Infused Activities, (3) The Occupational Outlook Handbook and Occupational Information, (4) Understanding the Labor Market, (5) Understanding the Economy, and (6) Exploring Careers. Each module is designed to stand alone; however, key concepts are intertwined throughout the package.

Each module is designed with a similar format. An introductory page presents the purpose of the module and the key concepts and teacher competencies it addresses. Learning experiences, which contain the instructional content of the module, teach towards the key concepts and related teacher competencies. An overview sheet for each learning experience identifies the key concepts, competencies, and objectives covered in the learning experience and presents pertinent instructor's information, such as instructional time, resources, and instructional methods. Within each learning experience an instructor's outline provides detailed information needed by the person(s) leading the training session. This information is displayed in a way that allows space for the instructor to write notes. Masters for suggested transparencies are provided at the end of the instructor's outline. Samples (not to be reproduced) of worksheets and handouts are provided. Sets of handout materials for distribution are available from the publisher of this manual.

In modules IV-VI, abstracts of related teaching activities are included after the set of learning experiences; grade levels and subject areas are specified for these activities. Abstracts of additional resources are also presented as sources for the workshop participants and the instructor(s).

The evaluation section of the module provides suggested evaluation instruments and techniques. A pre-workshop and post-workshop competency self-assessment is used by participants to record their perceptions of their own competence; a list of performance indicators helps the instructor determine whether participants have gained specific competencies after completing the learning experiences; and a workshop effectiveness questionnaire gathers information on the usefulness of workshop techniques. All evaluation procedures are optional.

The following are brief descriptions of the six modules, including the concepts and teacher competencies addressed in the module, the instructional activities and content, and approximate time lines for instruction.
Module I—Basic Principles of Career Development

The concept addressed in this module is that career education concepts are derived from career development theory. The competencies to be achieved are that the teachers will be better able to—

1. describe how basic career development principles relate to an individual's career development and
2. present career development concepts that relate to their curricula.

The first learning experience begins with a series of exercises designed to start participants thinking about career development and the concepts in the Occupational Outlook Handbook. At the completion of the exercises, the instructor highlights basic career development principles that are mentioned. Based upon the exercises and a summary presentation, participants relate the principles to their own career development through discussion. The instructor then discusses the fact that these principles, which are derived from theories, are the foundation for career education concepts.

The second learning experience, after presentation of a sample career development model, provides the participants with an opportunity to think about career development models and to brainstorm about how they could teach at least two career education concepts to their students. The instructor summarizes by stressing that career education concepts can be taught at any grade level and in any subject.

The instructional time for the module is two to four hours. The time spent on the first series of exercises in the first learning experience can range from one to two (or more) hours. The second learning experience may be completed in one hour.

Module II—How to Develop Infused Activities

The concept addressed by this module is that infusion is a viable means of delivering life-related subject matter. The competencies to be achieved are that teachers will be better able to—

1. define infusion of career development concepts and the purpose and expected benefits of infusion;
2. demonstrate acceptance of the responsibility for infusing career development concepts into their curricula; and
3. demonstrate an understanding of the process used to develop infusion activities by developing a lesson plan.

The first learning experience helps participants think about the purposes, methods, and benefits of infusing career development theory into their curricula. In the first exercise, the participants mention how they currently incorporate career development principles into their teaching, and the instructor emphasizes the idea that career development concepts can be taught while teaching a specific academic subject. The participants discuss what infusion means and arrive at a definition, which is presented as the group's "working" definition. In an optional exercise, participants write slogans that best depict their definition of infusion. The last exercise, completion of a worksheet, is designed to determine whether the participants understand infusion.
The second learning experience allows participants to internalize the idea of infusion. Through an initial discussion, the instructor highlights the importance of imparting information that includes career information. The group then identifies instructional modes they can use to impart career information. The last activities are a discussion of the fact that everyone (grades K-12) can systematically infuse career development concepts and small group discussions about where career development concepts can be infused into specific grade levels and subject areas.

The third learning experience teaches participants a process for developing an infused activity. In the initial exercise, the instructor simulates teaching a noninfused lesson and then teaches the same lesson but infuses a career development concept. The instructor points out that infusion does not take time away from teaching of an academic concept and that it is not an add-on. With the use of transparencies and handouts, the instructor describes the process of developing an infused lesson. In small groups, the participants develop at least one infused lesson using the process previously presented.

The instructional time for the module is approximately three hours, with each learning experience being about an hour in length. Extension of discussion and activities could make it longer.

Module III—The Occupational Outlook Handbook and Occupational Information

The key concepts of this module are that (1) the Occupational Outlook Handbook contains information that can be incorporated into the curriculum and (2) it is necessary for students to receive occupational information. The competencies to be achieved are that teachers will be better able to—

1. locate specific information within the Occupational Outlook Handbook;
2. identify reasons why it is important to incorporate occupational information into their curricula; and
3. give examples of how the information contained in the Occupational Outlook Handbook can be incorporated into their curricula.

The first learning experience makes participants better aware of the content of the Occupational Outlook Handbook and how it is organized. After a brief presentation on the background of the OOH, the instructor and participants review the major sections of the OOH. In the concluding exercise, the participants are asked to think of occupations that interest them and look them up in the OOH.

The second learning experience helps participants identify how they can better incorporate occupational information into their curricula. The first exercise is designed to make participants aware of the need for occupational information. On a “career line” they indicate points in time when they have made some type of career decision. The instructor stresses that if people start thinking about occupations as young children, then some form of occupational information should be presented as early as the primary grades. A discussion follows on the benefits of providing occupational information to students in grades K-12. Participants then work in small groups and identify information within the Occupational Outlook Handbook that they could use with their students.

The time needed to present the module is approximately two hours, one hour for each learning experience.
Module IV—Understanding the Labor Market

The key concepts addressed by the module are the following:

1. The labor market is the interaction of people competing for jobs (occupations) and employers (industries) competing for workers. The job seekers and workers constitute the labor force. The supply of workers and the demand for workers affect each other.

2. An industry can be classified by the goods and/or services it produces.

3. An occupation can be classified by the major tasks a worker performs.

4. Although each industry has its own occupational composition, some occupations are found in many different industries.

5. Despite the importance of employment growth, most job openings result from replacement needs.

The competencies to be achieved in this module are that teachers will be better able to—

1. explain the idea of supply and demand as it relates to the labor market;

2. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the concept of the labor market;

3. classify industries as providers of goods or services;

4. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula an example of goods-producing or service industries;

5. classify occupations according to various classification systems;

6. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula occupational classification activities,

7. explain the concept of occupational mobility;

8. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the idea that many occupations can be found in different industries;

9. explain the difference between and relative importance of job openings due to (a) employment growth and (b) replacement needs; and

10. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula reasons for a favorable or unfavorable outlook for an occupation.

The first learning experience explains the dynamics of the labor market. After a discussion of what constitutes employed, unemployed, underemployed, and discouraged workers, participants take part in a role-playing activity in which they classify workers. The instructor then discusses how the supply of and demand for workers is generated. Final discussion for this learning experience relates to the impact of wages on worker supply. An associated activity is the completion of a chart showing hypothetical wage scales. As culminating activities for this learning experience (as for all of the learning experiences in this module), participants identify where the key concepts presented in the learning experience are discussed in the OOH and then develop lesson plans that show how the key concepts can be infused into their curricula.
The second learning experience addresses how industries and occupations are classified and the idea that many occupations are present in more than one industry. The first activity is a discussion of the ways industries can be classified. Participants then complete a worksheet that asks them to indicate whether specific industries are goods-producing or service-producing industries. The next activities relate to classification of occupations. After a discussion of how occupations are classified, participants classify various occupations. The mobility that people in some occupations have from one industry to another then is highlighted. Through various activities, participants identify occupations that can be found in more than one industry.

The culminating activities involve finding references to the key concepts in the OOH and developing a lesson plan.

The focus of the third learning experience is to determine how job openings occur. The instructor and participants discuss and provide examples of how job openings can result from growth in an industry and occupational transfers and labor force separations of current workers. Participants complete a worksheet on turnover rates.

Besides the culminating activities similar to those in the other learning experiences, there is an optional knowledge quiz that covers information from the entire module.

The instructional time for the module is four hours. The first two learning experiences each take approximately one and one-half hours to complete and the last learning experience is designed to take place in one hour.

Module V—Understanding the Economy

The key concepts addressed by the module are the following:

1. A community's local economic condition is determined by the nature of its population, climate, geographic location, resources, mix of industries, and public policies.

2. The nation's economic condition is constantly changing because of decisions made by businesses, consumers, and governments. Factors that affect national and local economies include changing technologies, business conditions, population patterns, consumer preferences, and availability of resources.

3. Technological change affects the job security of workers and the skills required of workers. As productivity increases as a result of technological changes, real wages also increase.

The competencies to be achieved in this module are that teachers will be better able to—

1. explain how characteristics of a community can affect its economic conditions;

2. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the idea that local economic conditions are influenced by the characteristics of the community;

3. explain how decisions made by and factors related to businesses, consumers, and governments affect the nation's economic condition;
4. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the idea that economic changes relate to decisions and factors associated with various groups;

5. provide examples of how technological changes affect the job security of workers and the skills of workers; and

6. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the idea that technological changes affect the job security and skills of workers.

The local economy is the focus of the first learning experience. The instructor discusses how an area's population, geographic location, and mix of industries affect the local economy. Participants provide examples and complete various worksheets associated with each of these factors. As culminating activities for this learning experience (as for all of the learning experiences in this module), participants identify where the key concept presented in the learning experience is discussed in the OOH and then develop lesson plans that show how the key concept can be infused into their curricula.

The second learning experience explores how businesses, consumers, and governments influence the national economy. The group discusses each influence, provides examples, and completes related worksheets. Other impacts on the economy, such as changing technology, business conditions, population patterns, and natural resources, also are discussed. The culminating activities of finding references to the key concept in the OOH and developing a lesson plan complete the learning experience.

The third learning experience explores the implications of changing technology on workers and the economy. After a presentation on the effect of changing technology on job security, worker skills, and productivity, participants debate the pros and cons of automation as it relates to productivity, real wages, worker safety, job satisfaction, and educational requirements. Another activity is a role-play game in which participants react to various economic conditions. Besides the culminating activities similar to those in the other learning experiences, there is an optional knowledge quiz that covers information from the entire module.

The instructional time for the module is five and one-half hours— one and one-half hours for the first and two hours each for the second and third learning experiences.

Module VI—Exploring Careers

The key concepts addressed by the module are the following:

1. An understanding of personal attributes, including interests, abilities, work values, training, and experience, is important in occupational choice.

2. An understanding of occupational characteristics, including the nature of the work, job outlook, earnings, working conditions, required training, other job qualifications, and advancement opportunities, is important in occupational choice.
The competencies to be achieved in this module are that teachers will be better able to:

1. explain how knowledge of personal attributes can improve occupational choice;

2. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula information on understanding personal attributes as they relate to occupational choice;

3. explain how knowledge of occupational characteristics can improve occupational choice; and

4. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula information on understanding occupational characteristics as they relate to occupational choice.

In the first learning experience, participants discuss how personal attributes relate to one’s work. They then complete a worksheet regarding their personal interests/abilities. A discussion follows on personal work values and training and experience. Participants then complete a “career ladder” worksheet and participate in a role-play situation in which they identify occupations that fit specific personality profiles.

In the culminating activities for the learning experience, participants identify where the key concept presented in the learning experience is discussed in the OOH and then develop lesson plans that show how the key concept can be infused into their curricula.

The second learning experience addresses characteristics of specific occupations. Using the OOH as a reference, participants review the nature of the work, job outlook, working conditions, earnings, and training requirements of different occupations. They then develop a lesson plan that shows how the key concept can be infused into their curricula. An optional knowledge quiz can be the culminating activity for the module.

The instructional time for the module is approximately two and one-half hours. The first learning experience can be completed in approximately one and one-half hours and the second in one hour.
SECTION 2. PLANNING THE WORKSHOP

The purpose of this section is to help you think through the training you will be doing. The suggested process helps you develop an organized and useful workshop.

Assess Your Desired Outcomes

The first step is to determine what you, the instructor, want to have happen as a result of training. Considering such factors as time available and your skills, ask yourself what you desire the workshop outcomes to be. Some answers to that question might be as follows:

- To excite people about the concept of infusion
- To get people to recognize the importance of occupational information
- To teach the group the concepts in the Occupational Outlook Handbook
- To have the group develop lesson plans that involve the use of the Occupational Outlook Handbook

Once you have thought through your desired outcomes for the workshop, you are ready to assess the participants’ needs.

Assess Participants’ Needs

The general process for assessing your workshop participants’ needs and strengths consists of the following:

- Identify the competencies they should or could possess.
- Determine the competencies they already possess.
- Determine what you could provide in training.

Learn about the types of people attending your workshop. Are they teachers who should have all of the competencies presented in the training package? Or, are they counselors (or another group) who may not need to know how to develop and implement infused lessons? First, identify which of the competencies in this package the participants need to have addressed. If you are not familiar with the group, talk with a member of the group, a supervisor, or an administrator to learn a little more about them.

Next assess the competencies the workshop participants currently have. You can use various tools to determine this. In Appendix A of this manual there is a self-report “Competency Self-Assessment” that asks participants to indicate how competent they are regarding each competency statement. During the planning stage, you can administer this form or portions of it to the workshop participants to obtain subjective data on current competence. Another technique is to interview workshop participants and their supervisors regarding the participants’ competence in specific areas.
And finally, decide what you can realistically provide in training. You need to determine how many of the competency areas in which participants have a need you can address based upon the time available and the skills that you other instructors have.

**Develop Workshop Goals and Objectives**

Once you have decided what you want to see happen as a result of the workshop and have gathered information on what the participants' needs are, you are in the position to develop some goals for the workshop. For example, one of your desired outcomes may be to excite people about the concept of infusion. For you to accomplish this, participants may need to learn more about the process of developing an infused lesson plan. One of your workshop goals, therefore, might be the following:

- To teach participants an infusion process that is easy for them to adapt to their situation

Writing a number of such goals allows you to clarify in your mind the overall purpose of the workshop. The goals can serve as a guide for planning and can help you keep on track as you conduct the workshop. The workshop objectives help you measure how successful participants are in meeting the workshop goals. Each learning experience in the modules contains one or more performance objectives. Review the objectives to determine whether they are compatible with your workshop goals. If they are not, you may want to modify the existing performance objectives or write new ones.

**Select Training Content and Processes**

Once your goals and objectives are set, you are ready to choose the content and training processes you will use. Most of the training content you need is contained in the training package. However, you will want to review the resource section of each module for additional materials that will enhance your training. Also, you may have personal resources that will add a lot to the training activities.

Many optional activities and visual aids (transparencies, handouts, and worksheets) are available to give you a menu of ideas from which to select. It also is suggested that you consider involving local "experts" at certain points in the training. For example, a person from the local Job Service office might discuss employment trends in your area. A list of contacts for resource people is contained in Appendix B.

**Make Logistical Arrangements**

Training logistics—dates, times, locations, announcements, equipment, and other details—are just as important to the success of your training as any sophisticated training design, dazzling methods, or dynamic instructors you decide to use. Begin coordinating your logistics early in your planning. Be aware that some of your intended participants may need official "release time" from their jobs to attend the workshop, and try to make the arrangements well ahead of time.
Time

Since one of your goals is to help participants understand the concepts of the content material, consideration of time is extremely important. Besides the total time planned for the workshop, you will have to give thought to the following:

- Because there are so many concepts to cover, the workshop should be organized in blocks of time. Will these time blocks be consecutive or spread out over time?
- Quality of instruction should take preference over quantity. Which concepts will require the most detailed coverage?
- The larger the group, the more discussion and sharing that may take place, and consequently the less that can be covered. Consider the number that will participate.

Facilities

In checking the facilities, you will want to give close attention to the room available for the workshop. Although this may seem like an obvious reminder, it is amazing how many workshops have slipped from excellent to mediocre simply because the room was inappropriate, or the air was too cool, or there was not a chalkboard. Items such as the following are important:

- Room size: Is the room large enough to accommodate anticipated numbers but not so large that you will feel you are teaching in a barn?
- Its appropriateness for activities: Round tables tend to encourage small group interaction, while rows of chairs inhibit such exchanges. If you plan on group activities as well as small group work, can chairs in rows be moved to circles? Is there space enough to move them around in such a way that groups can have relative privacy? Is there a chalkboard or flip chart?
- Arrangement and lighting: Can everyone see you from the various areas in the room? Is the lighting adequate?
- Sound system: Can all the participants hear the instructor adequately? Will a microphone be needed?

Materials

Besides the facility, you must check on available materials. Will you have enough paper and pencils for participants? Will you have enough copies of participant handouts? Will you have a sufficient number of Occupational Outlook Handbooks? If you are considering using activities other than those suggested in this package, have you considered the expense of producing them? If the room does not have a chalkboard or flip chart, can you secure a portable one?
Prepare the Workshop Format

If you follow the above planning steps, you will find that you will be able to think through quite clearly what it is you want to accomplish in your workshop and the best methods to use. The next step will be to put all that thought and preparation into a plan that you can execute with confidence and a measure of pride.

In preparing your workshop format, you will want to consider the following:

- The sequence (from the opening remarks to the final evaluation)
- The right balance of activities (e.g., lecture, group work, activities)
- Resources to be used
- Estimated time to cover each concept
- Integration of your ideas in a training plan

Sequence

The modules are organized so that they can be used independently of each other. Therefore, if you plan to use more than one module at a time, you will need to determine how to make the transition from one to another and how to address evaluation concerns. For example, if you are using the pre-/post-workshop measures, will you administer separate measures at the beginning and end of each module, or will you administer measures that combine items pertaining to all modules taught?

Balance of Activities

When selecting the activities by which to teach the workshop content, you need to remember that people can concentrate for only so long on a particular concept. In selecting activities, put yourself in the place of the participant. Try to remember how tired you have gotten when someone has asked you to absorb more ideas than is comfortably possible in a particular block of time. To help you avoid overtaxing the energies of your participants, the following suggestions are offered:

- Limit the number of modules/learning experiences to a number that participants can realistically absorb each day. It is asking too much to cover more than four or five key concepts within a full day’s activities.

- Plan a variety of individual work, lecture, and group participation. People need variety to learn effectively.

- Be certain that if you use minilectures they are clear and relatively short.

- Plan strong activities for slack periods of the day, i.e., midmorning, right after lunch, and the last hour of the day.

- Choose activities with the group’s needs in mind, rather than choosing those you like. In this instance, you must be honest with yourself—just what will that teacher, counselor, or principal learn from doing a particular exercise?
• Allow for frequent periods of feedback and evaluation of what you are doing. This kind of participation leads to heightened interest. Prepare yourself sufficiently so that you can modify your plan based on group feedback and evaluation.

Resources

Identify all of the resources you plan to use, including transparencies, handouts, and worksheets, that will be most useful to your training situation. You do not need to use all of them to have an effective workshop. Also, abstracts of additional resources are presented in each module. Obtain copies of the ones that would help you and your workshop participants gain needed knowledge in specific areas.

Human resources are an important dimension to consider. You (the instructor) are the most important human resource. However, consider including others in the instruction. Possible “guest” instructors include individuals from (1) the state department of education, (2) a local intermediate agency, (3) the state department of labor, (4) state and local employment service offices, and (5) local businesses. Contact the appropriate individuals and have them conduct specific aspects of the workshop.

Time Estimate

When you are planning the activities for the workshop, you need to make estimates of how long it will take you to cover each learning experience. Time estimates are provided for each learning experience. However, you should review them to be sure they are appropriate for your situation.

Training Plan

It is useful to integrate your planning ideas and strategies into a plan that summarizes what you will do. There is no single or correct format for your plan. The figure on the next two pages presents one approach. After you review it, you may decide to adopt the format or to develop a different format.

Evaluate the Workshop

It was suggested earlier that one way to encourage participation and to make certain that the participants are getting the most from the workshop is to allow for periodic feedback. Although you should decide beforehand upon some specific points at which you will ask for this feedback, you will nevertheless find that evaluation will occur at times without your requesting it. That is, the smiles, frowns, and questions of participants can tell you a great deal about how well you are motivating them and explaining the materials. The lists of evidence located in the evaluation section of each module provide suggestions on what to look for from the participants. At the end of the workshop, participants can evaluate the overall effectiveness of the workshop by completing the Workshop Effectiveness form found near the end of each module.

Conclusion

The above steps are designed to help you think through what you wish to provide for the participants in terms of knowledge and experiences. The next section includes some suggestions for group leadership.
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SECTION 3. SUGGESTIONS FOR GROUP LEADERSHIP

This section assumes that you have already had some experience in dealing with groups. The purpose is to summarize some of the principles of good leadership and to remind you of the methods traditionally used by effective leaders. Included also are some suggestions for handling critical situations and a brief review of selected training methods.

Create a Desirable Environment

What makes a workshop session pleasurable as well as worthwhile? In answering that question for your workshop, you might begin by first asking yourself what kinds of workshops or similar group functions you have enjoyed. Quite likely they were the ones in which the group leader made you feel comfortable, eager to share your ideas, and confident that the experience would be a productive one. As the instructor, you will want to inspire similar feelings in your participants. There are no hard-and-fast rules, of course. However, although various factors must be considered—for example, your own particular style of presentation and of relating to others—there are some general rules that seem to apply in most cases.

Ensuring Group Cohesiveness and Participation

This will be one of your initial tasks, and one of your most important ones, if you are going to reduce anxiety, feelings of isolation, and even critical attitudes toward you, toward others in the group, and toward the material.

Ensuring active participation will be one of your major concerns throughout the workshop. Participants appreciate an instructor who encourages all to share their ideas. When one person is allowed to dominate the discussion, the others have a tendency to quit listening to what even the leader is saying. Preventing a few people from dominating the discussion means that you will have to be alert to the silent signals of the less vocal members of your group. You will have to be sensitive to body and facial movements that suggest an individual wishes to speak but lacks the courage for one reason or another.

At the same time, if you wish full participation, you will have to allow individual members to disagree with you without embarrassing them for it. Nothing turns off participants more quickly than an instructor’s defensiveness when criticized, especially when the matters seem minor. If you know that something you have said may not be clear or seems irrelevant, acknowledge it.

Finally, you should be careful not to embarrass an individual for doing poorly on an activity or task. Turn what might seem to be a “dumb” example or statement into something useful. This allows the individual to retain dignity. The main thing to remember is that you should provide your participants with a safe environment for sharing.

Preparing the Group

Individuals will not pay close attention to content unless they know what they will be doing in the workshop and why. Once you have set a comfortable tone for the workshop and have allowed participants to get to know one another, provide them with the additional comfort that comes from knowing such things as workshop goals, format, and time schedule.
Motivating the Group

Groups are sometimes very hard to motivate, but they do want to be motivated. Here again, setting the appropriate tone initially will help in your efforts to motivate them. Another device is to involve them immediately in some activity that makes the material relevant to their needs.

Recognizing Individual Needs

You will find it much easier to motivate your participants and ensure their participation if you are careful to recognize their individual needs. How often have you suffered through a group situation in which the instructor seemed indifferent to your particular needs? During the workshop introduction, you can go around the room and ask the participants what are their needs, along with why they are there and what they expect out of the workshop. Or invite them to feel free to speak to you about what are their individual needs during breaks.

Modifying Negative Feelings and Permitting Venting of Frustrations

You will have to be prepared from the start for misconceptions the participants may have concerning the training. Some of their expectations may seem absurd; some may result from simple misunderstanding. (Be sure that you have in your possession a copy of the announcement that was sent out explaining the purpose and content of the workshop.)

Before attempting to introduce the content material, you will need to attend to the attitudes of those present. You might ask them to share with you and the others in the group their reasons for attending the workshop. This sharing will give you your first chance to deal in a nondefensive manner with their negative feelings and misconceptions.

During the workshop, eager and cooperative members might sometimes get frustrated if they do not understand a point. You should be sensitive to such clues as scowling, lack of participation, and angry comments. Periodic feedback sessions are also important.

Although you will want to acknowledge negative feelings and frustrations and attempt to deal with them as fairly as possible, there is always the possibility that some participants may have to be excused because their feelings of frustration cannot be resolved. It is asking too much of group leaders to expect them to dissolve hostility that may have been developing for some time.

Prepare to Handle Critical Situations

Following are suggestions for handling ten specific situations that commonly arise in a workshop setting. Although you should not anticipate problems, you must be prepared to deal with them if they should occur. Such preparation will further ensure that your workshop will run smoothly and that the workshop environment will encourage participation and learning.

The Reluctant Participant: An individual lets you know that he/she did not desire to attend the training but was told to come.

Encourage the individual to stay, with the option of leaving after participating in a portion of the workshop.
The Latecomer: An individual has missed some of the preliminary explanation.

If you feel that your summarizing what has been covered will be wasted time for other participants, you might ask members of the group to review for the latecomer. This recitation will allow you to evaluate what participants have learned to that point.

Specific Concerns: Participants arrive with their own agendas or specific career development problems with which they want help.

Review again the purpose of your particular type of workshop. Explain that to the extent possible—in terms of the general relevance to everyone else—you will use their material or will address yourself to their particular problems in the process of the workshop. If they persist in wanting to devote the workshop time to their agendas, you may have to excuse these particular participants.

Resistance to Infusion: Although you have done your best to demonstrate the importance of infusion in group discussions, one or more participants display resistance through lack of participation or negative comments.

Resistance is a feeling and therefore cannot be dealt with solely on rational grounds. However, if you sense resistance, the first step is to acknowledge the resistance and to ask for clarification of feelings and for the reasons behind these feelings. Ask the individuals if past experiences have prompted the negative feelings. The point you must pursue is, Does such an experience negate the entire concept of infusing occupational information? If they feel it does, you might allow them a short brainstorming session on how the situation that caused the negative feelings could have been handled differently. Do not allow the session to turn into a digressive airing of pet peeves.

The Particularly Vocal Critic: An individual is particularly vocal in criticizing the concepts or proceedings, making others uneasy about sharing their ideas.

An effective way to handle the critic who is affecting the rest of the group's behavior is to take the role of the group in confronting the individual. You might say something like: "When you say ..., I feel uncertain about what to say next. Is there something that concerns you that I do not understand? Perhaps we should talk about the critical issue that concerns you before we continue." The individual may then reveal what is causing the behavior, allowing you to deal with the cause. Or she/he may suggest that nothing is the matter. In this instance, you may simply want to close the matter by admitting that perhaps your perception was wrong but that you felt you needed to deal with it before you could proceed. In either instance, the participant will have received feedback on the behavior.

The Discussion Dominator: A participant dominates discussions, frequently relating everything to a personal situation.

One way to handle this is to avoid looking in the participant's direction and deliberately to avoid calling on the individual for a period of time. If this device does not work, you might say something like, "I am particularly interested in getting as many thoughts on this topic as possible, and I want a chance to hear from everyone. I also don't want this phase of the program to dwell too specifically on personal situations. There will be opportunities to discuss these in the small group discussions, and I will be glad to help you at that time."
Presence of an Authority Figure: The presence of an authority figure (e.g., administrator) seems to be making others feel restricted in their freedom to share their ideas.

Sometimes individuals assume that they should restrict what they say in the presence of such an authority figure. If you sense that this situation exists, you might try two things: (1) Call on the authority figure frequently to express himself/herself so that the group can get a sense of the person's attitudes and feelings; (2) At an appropriate time, introduce the subject of the problems of communication in a group situation. Mention that sometimes there are barriers to communication because of the presence of a particular individual or individuals. Ask that "particular person" in your group if he/she believes that his/her position in the school will affect the freedom of the others to share their ideas. Then ask the other members of the group what happens to them in their school situation when they are in groups with authority figures present. Airing the topic may allow participants to relax. If not, you may have to continue with some silent participants. In that case, you will want to do more small group activities that will allow for a feeling of greater freedom.

Sudden Behavior Changes: After completing an activity, the group or certain members of the group seem less involved, or even angry, refusing to join in group discussion.

Occasionally, participants might become frustrated because they have lacked time to complete an activity or because they were confused about the directions. If there seems to be an unusual change in participant behavior, be certain to ask about it. That is, acknowledge that you sense something has happened to change the mood of the group, and ask if you have not given them enough time to complete the activity or have not made the directions clear. Use their responses to modify your approach to the next activity.

The Distractors: Several members have grouped together and are chatting and laughing during the presentations. They seem to be taking lightly what is going on.

One approach is to simply call attention to the disturbance in a casual fashion and then ask the individuals involved how they deal with these kinds of disturbances in their own work situations (i.e., as teachers, as counselors leading groups, or as a principal in a faculty meeting). You can then use their own techniques on them.

Another approach is to again take the role of the group by saying something like this: "I feel as though I am being left out of something that is going on. Would you be willing to share with me and the group? Your chatting is making it a little difficult for me to concentrate on what I am trying to do." You might ask them if there is a particular reason that they are not participating in what the rest of the group is doing. Although you do not want to embarrass anyone, your main concern is for the entire group. You may have to ask the distractors to go somewhere else to continue their conversation.

Sitting on Their Hands: You open a discussion, with a question. The group is silent. One individual offers a comment, but the rest continue to sit in silence.

Frequently, when participants "sit on their hands," the question you asked was either too theoretical or irrelevant to their interests. The opening question should be one that everyone could answer in some way. If you get the feeling that you have started with a poor question, don't pursue it. Try another question that is concrete and relevant. If you still get a poor response, ask for feedback. Is the topic area irrelevant? Have you not made yourself clear about what is expected of them?
Keep in mind that the above suggestions are not offered as the only solutions to the handling of these and similar problems. They may be used simply as prompters for developing your own responses.

Use a Variety of Training Methods

There are numerous activities you can use to present the training package content. The modules contain a wide variety of activities that you can use or modify to your style. The following activities are described to give you additional ideas:

Brainstorming

In a brainstorming session, participants spontaneously express their thoughts about a specific problem. It is a let-yourself-go session that calls for ingenuity and creativity in seeking a solution to a problem. The guidelines are that (1) everyone is encouraged to contribute, (2) the process is fast, (3) no value judgments are placed on ideas, and (4) ideas are recorded on newsprint or chalkboard. After the initial phase of the brainstorming process is completed, the ideas are placed in priority order, and time is spent evaluating their potential for solving the problem at hand.

Case Study

The case study provides a description (usually written) of a realistic situation that the workshop participants are encouraged to consider and for which they resolve problems as if they were personally involved.

Demonstration

Demonstration is the procedure of doing something in the presence of workshop participants to show them how to do it themselves or to illustrate a point. The workshop leader should be sure that the demonstration meets a necessary instructional need. The effectiveness of this instructional technique depends on participants having a clear view of what is being presented.

Group Discussion

There are two basic types of group discussion—structured and unstructured. Structured group discussions adhere to a topic or a problem that participants want to decide, solve, or conclude. This type of discussion is generally directed by the workshop leader. The leader needs to be sure the discussion does not get off the topic or become too time-consuming.

Unstructured discussion provides for informal group sessions that move freely and adjust to the expressed interests of participants. Discussions allow participants to share, develop, and refine ideas and attitudes.
In-Basket

This technique is used to develop the decision-making skills that enhance participants’ abilities to set priorities and carry out tasks. Workshop participants are asked to assume the roles and responsibilities of specific staff members. They are provided written information in memo form about a number of tasks that they must complete. Workshop participants must determine which tasks they would attend to and in what order.

Minilecture

A minilecture is a brief presentation by the workshop leader that provides factual information and/or explanations. It is useful when introducing a topic or giving an overview.

Role Playing

Role playing is an instructional technique in which workshop participants assume roles other than their own. During the workshop, specific situations are clearly described to workshop participants. Participants have the opportunity to express feelings and work out problems while experiencing other people’s roles.

Objectives of a role-playing situation are to suggest alternative solutions to a problem, to gain an understanding of another’s feelings, or to gain experience in handling new situations.

Simulation

A simulation is a representation of significant or central features of reality that requires workshop participants to become actively involved in an experience rather than merely witness it. Simulation is a broad term and includes many techniques, such as in-basket, case study, and role playing.

Symposium

A symposium consists of a group of brief presentations on various aspects of a particular issue or problem. Generally, after the prepared presentations, speakers participate in a panel discussion and/or answer questions raised by workshop participants.
SOURCES


COMPETENCY SELF-ASSESSMENT

Directions: For each competency statement that follows, assess your present competency. For each competency statement, circle one letter that best states your current competence by the scale defined below.

COMPETENCE SCALE

Assess your present knowledge or skill in terms of the following competency statements:

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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this module is to help teachers understand how career development concepts provide the theoretical basis for career education. In the first learning experience, workshop participants take part in various activities that highlight principles of career development. Specific career development concepts are stressed. The second learning experience is designed to help participants understand a career development model and how it applies to their curricular activities.

CATEGORY: Introductory

KEY CONCEPT: Concepts delivered through career education are derived from career development theory.

COMPETENCIES: After the completion of this module, workshop participants (teachers of various subjects) will be better able to—

1. describe how basic career development principles relate to an individual's career development, and

2. present career development concepts that relate to their curricula.
LEARNING EXPERIENCE I

CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND YOU

KEY CONCEPT: Concepts delivered through career education are derived from career development theories.

COMPETENCY: Workshop participants will be better able to describe how basic career development principles relate to an individual's career development.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE: Workshop participants will list at least two career development concepts that relate to their career development.

OVERVIEW: This learning experience is designed to provide participants with a general understanding of career development principles. Participants take part in a series of exercises that highlight specific career development principles; these principles then are discussed.

If you and/or the workshop participants need additional background on career development theories, you should review the handout on pages 1-17 through 1-37.

INSTRUCTOR'S INFORMATION:

Time Estimate: 60-90 minutes

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I. Introduction of Learning Experience

A. Indicate that the purpose of the learning experience is to help participants develop a better understanding of some basic career development principles.

B. Explain that numerous career development theories have been developed over the last fifty years, and that principles can be derived from the theories. Give a brief description of some career development theories.

C. Indicate that it is not as important for teachers to know specific theories as it is for them to be familiar with the career development principles.

D. Mention that the participants will be involved in a series of exercises that will help them personalize some career development principles.

II. Work and Workers (Optional) (Handout Exercise)

A. Ask participants (individually or in small groups) to complete the "Work and Workers Quiz."

B. Present the answers to the quiz.

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C. Indicate that these facts and others about people and working have been considered by career development theorists and relate to career development principles. Ask participants to think about what these principles may be as they continue with the next activity.
III. Vocational Interview (Optional) (Instructor-led Exercise)

A. Interview a workshop participant in terms of his or her job. (It would be interesting if you interviewed someone about a previous job not in the education field.)

B. Ask participants if they have arrived at any career development principles based upon the previous activities.

C. Mention a few of the principles, such as the following:
   1. Occupations have specific tasks.
   2. Career choice is related to personality.
   3. External forces influence career choice.

IV. Decisions and Job Choice (Optional) (Handout Exercise)

A. Indicate that decision making is an important step in the career development process.

B. Conduct the "XYZ Choice" activity.

C. (Alternative to B.) Conduct another decision making activity with which you are familiar.

V. Relationship of Activities to Career Development Principles (Group Discussion)

A. Ask participants to consider the activities just completed and to identify what they believe to be career development principles.

B. Indicate that career development theories relate to principles such as those included on the handout, "Career Development Principles." Discuss.

Notes

Use questions in "Vocational Interview Guidelines" found on page I-8. You may want to arrange the interview prior to the start of the session. Ask questions in the past tense if referring to a previously held position.

Use the exercise found on page I-9. This copyrighted activity was obtained from Decisions and Outcomes: A Leader's Guide.

Write responses on chalkboard or large sheet of paper.

Distribute handout, "Career Development Principles," found on page I-16.
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C. Mention that these principles can be grouped in different ways to form different theories.

### VI. Principles and You

A. Discuss with participants the idea that many of the principles can be applied to their own career development.

B. An additional, optional activity is the career line. Have participants do the following:

1. Draw a line and divide it into five-year time segments (from birth to present).

2. For each major decision the participants have made in their lives, place a dot.

3. From the dots, draw a slanted line upward and write the decisions on the line.

4. Draw slanted lines downward and write the career development principles most related to the decisions.

C. Have participants discuss how some of the principles relate to their lives. You can start the discussion with, "Have other people influenced you in your career choice?"

D. Mention that the career development principles form the basis for the career education content, and that the next learning experience addresses the teaching of these concepts.
WORK AND WORKERS QUIZ

(NOTE: The following statements refer to a reference year of 1982.)

1. Each individual, on an average, will move a total of _____ times in a lifetime.

2. With shifting work patterns, there are now approximately _____ million "moonlighters" in America.

3. ______ percent of all the scientists who ever lived are alive today.

4. Human knowledge is doubling about every _____ months.

5. ______ percent of American adults lack the knowledge and skills needed to function at a reasonably successful level in everyday life (i.e., to be able to address mail properly, make the most economical choice of variously priced foods, understand transportation schedules).

6. ______ percent of our two-parent families have both parents working outside the home.

7. On a national average, between a child’s first birthday and his or her final day of public schooling, the child will have spent _____ percent of his or her nonsleeping hours in school.

8. The American economy has not been changing rapidly enough to require or to absorb the spectacular increase in the educational level of the work force. ______ percent of the new educated workers currently accept jobs previously performed by individuals with fewer credentials.

9. Most teenage Americans are nearly _____ months ahead in their physical development compared to what our senior citizens were when they were young fifty years ago.

CIRCLE TRUE (T) OR FALSE (F)

10. By 1970, there were more elementary school teachers in America than the total of all doctors, lawyers, and natural scientists. T  F

11. Most workers are involved, in one way or another, in the production of goods. T  F

12. For more than three decades, average real wages for the entire working force have moved upward in an unbroken record of annual gains. T  F

13. Most of today’s occupations and skills did not exist a century ago. T  F

14. Virtually every measure of workers’ behavior indicates that money is still dearest to the hearts of most workers. T  F

15. An average of 80 percent of American workers have expressed overall general satisfaction with their work each year for the last twenty years, according to pollster George Gallup. T  F

VOCATIONAL INTERVIEW GUIDELINES

1. What do (did) you do all day? What physical and mental tasks do (did) you perform?

2. How do (did) you feel about what you do (did)? What kinds of feelings of satisfaction and/or frustration do (did) you get from your work?

3. Do (did) you think about your work when you are (were) at home? When you first think (thought) of your work in the morning, where are (were) you and what kinds of thoughts and feelings are (were) you having?

4. What are (were) some of the sources of frustration with your work? In what ways do (did) you depend upon or work with other people?

5. Do (did) the people of the community value your work contributions? How many know (knew) and understand (understood) your job and its relation to the community?

6. What kinds of personal characteristics are (were) especially helpful in your work? Would a certain kind of person work better in your setting than in others?

7. Was this your first work experience? If not, how many additional work experiences have you had?

8. How did you learn about this work?

9. Did people influence you into taking this type of work? Who were they?
THE XYZ CHOICE

This exercise uses the four ingredients of good decision-making that involve information: alternatives, outcomes, probability, and desirability. The purpose of the exercise is to introduce or illustrate the concept of strategy. Strategy for a decision-maker is his/her criterion or principle for choosing and it answers the question "Why did you choose that?" Using abstract or "meaningless" alternatives like X, Y, and Z forces a decision-maker to have reasons for choosing. When he says "I chose X because it was first," etc., he is describing a strategy.

The series of six decisions in this exercise is intended to show that every decision involves a strategy (reason), but usually it is not made explicit by the decision-maker. The sequence of decisions also shows that strategy involves an attempt to pick the alternative that leads to the best outcome ("I chose X because it was first" implies that you think "first will be best"). The use of ambiguous outcomes (Able, Baker, etc., or Yen, Mark, etc.) also forces the decision-maker to say how desirable he finds each possible outcome ("I like Able best because . . .").

The two things we want to know most about outcomes when making a choice, then, are "how likely are they to occur?" and "how desirable are they to me?"

Begin this exercise by listing the four information ingredients across the board—Alternatives, Outcomes, Probability, Desirability. Then, under Alternatives, list X, Y, and Z. At this point ask students to choose one alternative, without any further information.

1. Find out how many chose each alternative (perhaps keeping a tally on the board).

2. Ask some to tell why they chose.

3. See the first 7 discussion points listed under Decision 1 on page l-10—l-11.

From this point on, follow one of the sequences pictured on pages l-13 and l-14. The sequence listing money under Outcomes is somewhat less abstract than the one listing Able, Baker, etc. Whichever you use, list one column at a time, cover the appropriate discussion points in the list of 20 points on pages l-10—l-11, and give students at each step an opportunity to change their choice. Note that they may choose only X, Y, or Z at each step, not one of the branches (3,000 pounds, Able, Baker, etc.). Under Desirability, list and discuss each of the three categories of desirability one at a time. You can make up worksheets such as the one on page l-15. Have students fill them out during the discussion, and collect them for tabulating choices or for use in future discussions or exercises.

What you want students to learn in this exercise is the concept that each of the four information ingredients is necessary in making a good decision.

1. If you know just alternatives, you have no relevant basis for choosing.

2. Knowing possible outcomes helps only as far as you can ascribe desirability to them.

3. Probability information—that is, the chances that you will get the outcome listed—is helpful. Right away it brings out "risk-taking" or "play-it-safe" strategies.

4. Desirability is the information most people want most. In this exercise, desirability is discussed in three successively more specific ways.

When you have finished, it would be instructive to try to get students to describe the strategy they used in making the final choice. Most strategies are concerned with risks, and the four most common risk strategies are these:

1. Ignore risk; choose the action that could lead to the most desirable outcome, regardless of risk. (Wish Strategy)

2. Avoid risking the worst; choose the action that will most likely eliminate the worst possible outcome. (Escape Strategy)

3. Take the best odds; choose the action that is most likely to bring success (has highest probability). (Safe Strategy)

4. Get the best combination of low risk and desirable outcome; choose the action that has both high probability and high desirability. (Combination Strategy)

Those who chose Y, for example, may say they used the principle of "playing it safe" or of "avoiding any loss," or some version of type 2 or 3. Those who chose X might give you some version of 1 or 4. Those who chose Z might describe their willingness to take risks "up to 50 percent," etc., or might eliminate Y (because it does not have highly desirable outcomes compared to X and Z) and apply strategy 3 to the remaining two alternatives.

The exercise and the discussion are intended to start students thinking about the fact that there are several possible strategies to use when choosing, and knowing several may make them better decision-makers.

Here are 20 important points to be made during discussion.

1. No one's answer is wrong!

Decision 1

2. The "reasons" for choosing in decision 1 are probably illogical and irrelevant because there are no data given on which to base a logical reason.

3. In the absence of data, people's minds invent information or "reasons."

4. Sometimes we do the same thing (invent reasons) in real decisions when we don't have complete data.

5. Since the class will usually distribute itself among choices X, Y, or Z, rather than preferring any one of them, the point is clear that people have different preferences given the same information.

6. People have the same preferences for different reasons (e.g., several people chose X for different reasons, etc.).
7. What everyone is really doing is trying to “guess” what will be the most desirable outcome (knowledge of desirability of outcomes is one of the most important pieces of information to have).

Decision 2

8. When you fill in the Outcomes column, you don’t know much unless you also know desirability.

9. Again, we try to “guess” desirability. In the case of Able, Baker, Charlie, etc., we make associations and ascribe difficulty. In the case of pounds, marks, yen, etc., we use our incomplete knowledge for ranking. Remember that we are always choosing only X, Y, or Z, and not making a choice between branches.

10. Choice Y in the pounds-yen variation offers a no-risk choice that is appealing to some people, but interestingly enough not to all people.

Decision 3

11. When data on probability of success are added, many will find it easier to decide. Try to get a description of strategy here.

12. Often people believe that something with low probability of success has high desirability.

13. In the pounds-yen version, X has a 40 percent chance of success, Y has a 100 percent chance of success, Z has a 90 percent chance of success. Still the class will probably distribute its choices among all three. Why?

14. Ask the question: “Why wouldn’t everyone choose Y?”

15. People differ in their preferences for probability odds—that is, to some a 40 percent chance is too much risk, to others a 90 percent chance is too much risk, etc.

Decision 4

16. When desirability of outcomes is identified only as “good” or “bad” (a two-point scale), desirability information helps only a little in choosing.

Decision 5

17. The ranking of desirability is much more helpful. Note that some decisions that have “good” desirability may still be ranked third or fourth.

18. Most people have little practice in ranking desirability. This is an important decision-making skill.

Decision 6

19. For most personal decisions, most people never get beyond ranking into scaling. Scaling answers the question: “How much better is number 1 rank than number 2 rank?” etc.
20. With this information most people can now choose X, Y, or Z with some confidence.

This exercise should be full of discussion after each decision. Encourage people to express their thoughts and feelings, both positive and negative, as they go along.

At the end, you might want to try something like this with your students:

"Assume now that I am your decision agent (see "The Starting Point") and that I am going to make your decisions for you in some variations of XYZ Choice. The value of the outcomes and the probability figures will be changed each time. I will not be able to talk to you again. Tell me how I should decide for you each time—that is, give me a strategy I can apply whatever the value and probabilities may be."

Telling someone else how to decide for you is the best way to get at the definition of strategy. Consider a strategy as a "way to play the game." Almost everyone has played tic-tac-toe. Most people use a strategy for winning. Ask the class to describe their strategies for winning in tic-tac-toe. It will help if they imagine they are telling someone else (an agent) who must play the next game for them.

A strategy for tic-tac-toe is more complicated because it must take into account an opponent who is trying to make you lose. However, it is a game of "perfect information" (where everything that has happened or can happen is known). In making personal decisions, you never have perfect information.
XYZ CHOICE

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XYZ CHOICE—ALTERNATE EXERCISE

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(Decision 2)

PROBABILITY
(Decision 3)

DESIRABILITY

Good or Bad
(Decision 4)

Rank
(Decision 5)

Scale
(Decision 6)

ABLE

X

40

Good

1

$10,000

BAKER

Y

60

Bad

5

-$10

CHARLIE

Z

DOG

50

Good

3

$600

50

Good

4

$5

EASY

BAKER

90

Good

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CAREER DEVELOPMENT PRINCIPLES

1. External forces, such as the environment and parents, influence career choice.
2. Individuals seek occupations that meet most of their needs.
3. Career choice is related to personality.
4. Individuals possess measurable traits.
5. Occupations have specific tasks.
6. Personal traits can be matched to occupational tasks.
7. Occupational decisions occur numerous times in one's life.
8. Career development is a lifelong process.
9. Decision-making skills can be learned.
10. Career decision making is influenced by genetic endowment, environment, and learning experiences.
11. Interests are a consequence of learning, and learning is what leads people to make occupational choices.
12. Changes in learning produce changes in preferences and interests that can change occupational choice.
13. Critical career decision points occur throughout one's life.
14. Chance experiences can affect career choice.
15. There are common recognizable stages of development during childhood and adult life.
16. Individual development involves progressive differentiation and integration of a person's self and perceived world.
17. Each individual progresses through developmental stages at his or her own pace.
18. Excessive deprivation in any single aspect of human development can retard optimal development in other areas.
19. Personal awareness does not occur in a vacuum, but results from both real and vicarious experiences.
CAREER DEVELOPMENT THEORIES: A BEGINNER'S OVERVIEW

Introduction

This handout reviews various theories of career development and career choice and provides an overview for a student new to the area.

The Theory of Theories

First, a word is necessary about the nature of theory in general. Shertzer and Stone (1974) define theory as a statement of general principles, supported by data, offered as an explanation of a phenomenon. A good theory should summarize and generalize a body of information. It should facilitate understanding and explanation of complex phenomena within that body of information. It should act as a predictor between variables in that body of information. And it should stimulate further research.

Categories of Theories

With so many different theories of career development, it is useful to create some classes into which we can place the various theories. For this paper the theories are divided into three groups. The first focuses primarily on nonpsychological factors as those contributing most to what occupations people choose when they grow up. Included here are the accidental, sociological, and economic approaches. The second group focuses primarily on the differences between individuals as most important. This group includes the personality and trait-factor approach, as well as Holland's typology of people and environments. The final group focuses primarily on internal processes and development as most important. This group includes the developmental, social learning, decision-making, and cognitive approaches. A fourth group, theories of adult career development, cuts across the other three groups and is presented as a separate section.

How to Read the Theories

It is important to remember as you read through the theories that no one theory is going to explain everything. Thus, your own personal theory may not be any one of the following theories. Instead, it may be some combination or permutation of several of these theories and perhaps some ideas of your own. When you read each theory, realize that it addresses some issues very well and other issues not so well; whereas a part of the value of each theory is how many issues it adequately addresses, each of the theories does provide some major contribution.


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Group I: Theories That Focus on Nonpsychological Factors

Several theories argue that the occupation into which an individual goes is determined primarily by forces beyond the control of that individual. These theories are in sharp contrast to those discussed later, which argue for the influence of psychological differences and dynamics within each of us.

Theory 1: The Accidental Approach

The accidental approach to career development is in part based on observations of the work histories of individuals. Miller and Form (1951), two occupational sociologists, analyzed the occupational backgrounds of a large group of people, and concluded that:

One characteristic is outstanding in the experience of most of the case histories that have been cited. In their quest of a life work there has been a vast amount of floundering, and chance experience appears to have affected choices more than anything else. No single motivating influence appears which has finally crystallized into a wish for a certain occupation. Chance experiences undoubtedly explain the process by which most occupational choices are made. (p. 660)

Osipow (1969) expanded on the accidental theory, noting that:

The view may be summarized in a single sentence. People follow the course of least resistance in their educational and vocational lives. It may be a moot point as to whether the "least resistance theory" is more valid than one of the more self-conscious views of career development.

The strength of the accidental theory is that for a good number of people it appears to explain very accurately the progression from job to job. The weakness is that it does not give credit to all the individuals who seemingly make conscious choices about career paths. While it may explain the career development of some individuals, it does not allow us to predict very well because of its reliance on chance occurrences.

Sources and Related Readings


Theory 2: The Sociological Approach

The sociological approach to career development denotes a belief that external forces have a great impact on the career choice of an individual. Sociologists deal with the process by which occupations are passed on from generation to generation, the impact of environmental factors on options and decisions, and the meaning of work in our society. Theorists in this group assume that people's social background has much to do with the choices they consider and make. Influences include
occupation and income of parents, education of parents, sex, race, ethnic group, religion, place and type of residence, family stability, size of family, birth order, values of peers, school environment, and community. Sociologists have collected and analyzed information to determine the degree of influence these and other variables have on work and on career choices.

The effects of social factors are taken into account by practically all approaches, but the amount of emphasis varies. It is necessary to incorporate sociological factors into any general approach or risk the chance of being unable to explain commonly observed phenomena.

The sociological approach has not been widely applied to the field of guidance and counseling in the past. Presently, more attention is being paid to sociological factors, especially to the rethinking of traditional sex roles, the changing of social stereotypes, and counseling with minorities.

The strength of this theory is that it helps us understand many of the external forces acting on the career decision-making process, and suggests how to account for and alter those forces. The weakness is that it does not explain why the same apparent forces have their effect on some individuals and not on other individuals.

Sources and Related Readings


Theory 3: The Economic Approach

Resting upon the assumption that people have freedom of choice in occupational selection, the economic approach emphasizes labor trends and job market demands. Individuals are assumed to seek occupations that offer the most of what they want. Most traditional economic theorists assert that valid generalizations and forecasts concerning career choice can only be made from the statistical analysis of large numbers of individuals. The occupational distribution of workers is seen as a function of the basic law of supply and demand, income level being the best predictor of the relative supply or demand present in that occupation. Thus, a high-income position requires individuals with skills that are relatively low in supply and vice versa. Most current theorists view career choice as dependent on a number of variables in addition to supply and demand, including: (1) labor supply, (2) labor demand, (3) public knowledge of various opportunities and future opportunity outlooks, (4) one's ability to secure necessary training and/or education as determined by individual resources.
and the number of openings available for such experiences, and (5) relative monetary return for services rendered.

The strength of such a theory is that it makes such intuitive sense. We believe that these are issues which people consider when choosing a career. The weakness is that several other factors (such as the effects of trade unions) impact salary levels and job distribution, and these are not accounted for by pure economic theory.

Sources and Related Readings


Group II: Theories That Focus on Interpersonal Differences

While the theories in the previous section held that factors outside of the person are the main contributors to the person's career choice, the theories in this section suggest that persons are drawn to careers because they will satisfy various internal needs, drives, or attitudes. Since those internal needs or attitudes are very particular to an individual, this section can be thought of as consisting of theories that argue that individual differences contribute most to a person's career choice.

Theory 4: The Personality Approach

Personality theorists believe that individuals' career choices are products of their personality. Environment is taken into account only secondarily. This approach considers individual motives, drives, emotional states, and the dynamics of personality.

A major personality theory in the area of career selection is that proposed by Roe (1964). She developed a vocational choice theory based on the child's formative emotional climate in terms of dominant attitudes of parental figures. She suggested that the quality of those early relationships affects the development of interests and, in turn, occupational choice.

Major hypotheses from this theory are as follows:

1. Loving, protecting, and demanding homes would lead to person-orientation in the child and later to person-orientation in occupations.

2. Rejecting, neglecting, and casual homes would lead to non-person orientation in occupations.
3. If extreme protecting and extreme demanding conditions were felt by the child to be restrictive, he or she might, in defense, become non-person oriented.

4. Some individuals from a rejecting home might become person-oriented in search of satisfaction.

5. Loving and casual homes might provide a sufficient amount of relatedness such that other factors (e.g., abilities) would determine interpersonal direction more than personal needs. (Tolbert 1974)

While Roe's causative explanation of personality and occupation has not been validated, her classification of occupations by groups and by levels does contribute to vocational research. The eight groups are classified according to responsibility and skill. The following are Roe's groups and levels.

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Roe also accounted for the different levels of professionalism in each occupational group. She argued that the child enters the world with a genetic predisposition for expending psychological energy, and this dictates the eventual level the individual achieves.

The strength of the personality approach to career development is that it examines career choice within the broader framework of personality theory. The major contribution of Roe's theory has come not in its ability to predict or explain, but in its classification system.

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Theory 5: The Trait Factor Approach

The first well-articulated vocational theory and the one that acts as the base for most of the others is the trait factor approach. It suggests that people are different in terms of several variables, and that scientists can measure those differences. Secondly, it suggests that different jobs require different traits or skills, which can also be described and measured. Finally, it suggests that a counselor's role is simply to assess the client across several important variables, to collect and organize information about the demands of various occupations, and to effect the best match between the client's assets as the counselor has assessed them and various occupational demands.

A criticism of the trait factor approach has been that it assumes individual traits and environmental requirements are relatively static rather than dynamic. Lofquist and Dawis (1969) addressed this issue when they expanded the trait factor theory in their development of the work adjustment theory. They agree that an individual's needs should be matched with the job demands in order to secure a good fit, but their theory goes on to deal with what happens to people once they are in the job. They assume that people are motivated to fulfill work requirements in order to have their own personal requirements fulfilled by work. The give and take of this process is called correspondence. The effort required to maintain correspondence is known as work adjustment.

The strengths of the trait factor approach are. (1) it gave counseling psychology an identity, (2) it makes a good deal of intuitive sense that individual differences do exist and are measurable, and that different jobs require different competences, (3) it advanced considerably the state of the art of testing and statistics related to test development, (4) there is a certain cleanliness about receiving the results of a test or an inventory that cannot be equaled — simply having counselors give you their clinical impressions, and (5) there is a body of research that supports the superior predictive ability of assessment instruments over simple clinical judgment, although this is not as clear in the area of career development as it is for personality in general. Some of the weaknesses are. (1) that the approach is too mechanistic and too cognitive, and (2) that the importance of the client's reaction in the interpretation and acceptance of counseling information is not emphasized fully enough. Another weakness is that the counselor may take on too much responsibility for the outcome of counseling and that the client may accept too little responsibility. This is in part due to the level of knowledge that the counselor is expected to have, both about the world of work and about clients in general.

The trait factor approach is the granddaddy of career development theories. Beginning in the early 1900s, it dominated the field until the 1950s, at which time it started to be swallowed up into broader theories that could account for more phenomena and that were not so mechanistic in their applications (Davis 1969, Herr and Cramer 1979, Norris et al. 1979, Parsons 1909, Williamson 1965, Williamson and Biggs 1979).

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**Theory 6: Holland’s Typological Approach**

The theory of John Holland (1972, 1973, Holland and Gottfredson 1976) has come to be one of the dominant theories in the field of career development. Holland’s theory is something of a hybrid between trait factor theory and personality theory. Like trait factor theorists, he suggests the importance of matching a person’s interests and abilities with the environment of the job. And like personality theorists, he argues that the choice of an occupation is an expression of one’s personality.

**Holland’s Personality Types**

Holland assumes that in our culture, most persons can be categorized as one of six personality types. Descriptions of the six types follow.

**Realistic personality.** These are people who prefer to deal more with things than with ideas or people, are more oriented to the present than to the past or future, and have structured patterns of thought. They perceive themselves as having mechanical and athletic ability. They are apt to value concrete things or tangible personal characteristics like money, power, status, they will try to avoid goals, values, and tasks that require subjectivity, intellectualism, or social skills. They tend to be more conventional in attitudes and values because the conventional has been tested and is reliable. They possess a quality of persistence, maturity, and simplicity. Realistic types are found in occupations related to engineering, skilled trades, and agricultural and technical vocations.

**Investigative personality.** These are people who are analytical and abstract, and who cope with life and its problems by use of intelligence. They perceive themselves as scholarly, intellectually self-confident, and as having mathematical and scientific ability. They hold less conventional attitudes and values, tend to avoid interpersonal relationships with groups or new individuals, and achieve primarily in academic and scientific areas. They are likely to possess a high degree of originality, as well as verbal and math skills. Investigative types are found in occupations related to science, math, and other technical careers.

**Artistic personality.** These are people who tend to rely more on feelings and imagination. They perceive themselves as expressive, original, intuitive, nonconforming, introspective, independent, and as having artistic and musical ability (acting, writing, speaking). They value esthetic qualities and tend to place less importance on political or material matters. They have artistic aptitudes rather than mathematical aptitudes, they avoid direct relationships, and they learn to relate by indirect means through their medium. Artistic types are found in occupations related to music, literature, the dramatic arts, and other creative fields.
Social personality. These are people who have high interest in other people and are sensitive to the needs of others. They perceive themselves as liking to help others, as understanding others, as having teaching abilities, and as lacking mechanical and scientific abilities. They value social activities, and are interested in social problems and interpersonal relations. They use their verbal and social skills to change other people’s behavior. They usually are cheerful and impulsive, scholarly, and verbally oriented. Social types are found in occupations related to teaching, social welfare positions, and the helping vocations.

Enterprising personality. These are people who are adventurous, dominant, and persuasive. They place high value on political and economic matters and are drawn to power and leadership roles. They perceive themselves as aggressive, popular, self-confident, social, as possessing leadership and speaking abilities, and as lacking scientific ability. They use their social and verbal skills with others to obtain their political or economic goals. Enterprising types are found in occupations related to sales, supervision of others, and leadership vocations.

Conventional personality. These are people who are practical, neat, organized, and work well in structured situations. They feel most comfortable with precise language and situations where accurate accounting is valued. They perceive themselves as conforming, orderly, and as having clerical and numerical ability. They value business and economic achievement, material possessions, and status. They are happy as and make good subordinates and they identify with people who are strong leaders. Conventional types are found in occupations related to accounting, business, and computational, secretarial, and clerical vocations.

While no individual is all one type, people tend to affiliate with, enjoy being around, and be most like one, two, or sometimes three of the types, and tend to be less like two or three of the other types. People are categorized by the type they are most like, followed by the type they are next most like, and finally, the type they are third most like.

Holland's Environmental Types

Environments may also be classified according to their demands and the types of people who work in them. The descriptions of the environments closely resemble the descriptions of the persons dominating each environment. The following are brief descriptions of each of the six model environments.

Realistic environment. This environment—

- stimulates people to perform realistic activities;
- encourages technical competencies and achievements;
- encourages people to see themselves as having mechanical ability;
- rewards people for the display of conventional values and goals, such as money, power, and possessions.

Investigative environment. This environment—

- stimulates people to perform investigative activities;
- encourages scientific competencies and achievements;
- encourages people to see themselves as scholarly, and as having mathematical and scientific values;
- rewards people for the display of scientific values.
Artistic environment. This environment—

- stimulates people to engage in artistic activities;
- encourages artistic competencies and achievements;
- encourages people to see themselves as expressive, original, intuitive, nonconforming, independent, and as having artistic abilities (acting, writing, speaking);
- rewards people for the display of artistic values.

Social environment. This environment—

- stimulates people to engage in social activities;
- encourages social competencies;
- encourages people to see themselves as liking to help others, understanding others, and being cooperative and sociable;
- rewards people for the display of social values.

Enterprising environment. This environment—

- stimulates people to engage in enterprising activities, such as selling or leading others,
- encourages enterprising competencies and achievements;
- encourages people to see themselves as aggressive, popular, self confident, sociable, and as possessing leadership and speaking abilities;
- rewards people for display of enterprising values and goals, such as money, power, status.

Conventional environment. This environment—

- stimulates people to engage in conventional activities such as recording and organizing data or records;
- encourages conventional competencies and achievements;
- encourages people to see themselves as conforming, orderly, and as having clerical competencies;
- rewards people for the display of conventional values, such as money, dependability, conformity.

Holland's Person-Environment Match

People search for environments that will allow them to exercise their skills and abilities, express their attitudes and values, and take on agreeable roles. People seek out persons similar to themselves, and where people congregate, they create environments that reflect their personality types. Behavior, especially job satisfaction and stability, is determined by the interaction between personality characteristics and the characteristics of the job environment.

The strengths of Holland's theory are. (1) it is easily understood and makes intuitive sense, (2) it contains clear definitions of constructs, (3) it has an internally consistent structure, (4) it has a very broad research base across diverse populations, (5) it has developed useful assessment devices, and (6) it has contributed to a parsimonious description and classification of both individuals and occupations. The weaknesses of the theory are. (1) it deals primarily with external phenomena rather than internal developmental phenomena in its validation, (2) it offers little explanation other than slight reference to social learning theory about how the person's type is acquired, (3) as with
other trait theories, instability is not seen as helpful under any conditions and no suggestions are given as to when the counselor should discourage instability of code.

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Group III: Theories That Focus on Internal Processes

The following theories of career development concern themselves primarily with processes within the person. These theories contend that the individual's career choice is a fluid process that focuses slowly over time and may be occasionally reshaped.

Theory 7: The Developmental Approach

Recent developmental theorists visualize occupational decisions as taking place a number of times in the course of one's life. These decisions are integrally related to one's aspirations and overall career goals. These goals cannot be separated from one's life goals. Thus, developmental theorists see one's career as a continuous pattern beginning in childhood and ceasing at death.

Jordaan (1977) and Super (1976) believe that individuals are capable of moving through these stages at various speeds and that one may return to an earlier stage without venturing outside of normalcy.

An important concept in Super's formulation of career development is that of career maturity—a readiness to engage in the developmental tasks appropriate to the age and level in which one finds oneself. Maturity, however, is not something that is ever reached, but instead is the process relative to where one is at any given time. This formulation of the concept helps to promote a lifespan notion rather than a static and irreversible pattern of development.

Super described the developmental tasks appropriate to each stage as the following:

- Crystallization — the individual formulates ideas about work that would be appropriate.
- Specification — the individual narrows a general career direction into a specific one.
- Implementation — the individual completes training and enters relevant employment.
- Stabilization — the individual settles down within a field of work but may change positions within the field.
- Consolidation — the individual consolidates status and advancement to establish security.
In summary, Super’s developmental theory offers five main tenets: (1) vocational selection is the implementation of a person’s self-concept; (2) vocational decisions are similar to other decisions and continue to be made throughout the lifespan; (3) career development can be described as a stage process with developmental tasks at each stage (the nature of these stages is not lock-step but cyclical, indicating that individuals in middle or later life may return to earlier stages of development); (4) career maturity is a measure of one’s knowledge of and attitudes toward oneself, careers, and career decision making; (5) persons who are at different stages of development need to be counseled or dealt with in different ways (likewise, persons at similar stages, but with different levels of career maturity, also need to be dealt with in different ways).

The strengths of Super’s developmental theory are: (1) it takes into consideration more than just occupational choice, because it allows consideration and study of what goes on inside the individual and how those internal processes play themselves out in the course of a lifetime; (2) unlike career choice theories, which look only at singular choice points in a person’s life, developmental theories consider the whole series of decisions in a given person’s lifetime; and (3) the concept of career maturity and the idea of treating persons at different levels of maturity differently. Some weaknesses of Super’s theory are: (1) while founded empirically, most of the early study was on young white middle-class males (also, some argue that lifelong developmental theories, more than others, are very work oriented, and define the individual too much in terms of his or her work life while paying too little attention to other, avocational aspects); (2) there is difficulty in researching Super’s constructs. Longitudinal research, such as the Career Pattern Study, is necessary to validate such a developmental theory, yet longitudinal research is extremely difficult to carry out and, indeed, little of it has been carried out. Even nonlongitudinal research is difficult to perform because of the problems of operationalizing the constructs.

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**Theory 8: The Social Learning Approach**

John Krumboltz (1973, 1976, 1979) designed a theory of career decision making (CDM) to explain how career interests develop, how the environment influences one's CDM, and the manner in which CDM skills are developed. Krumboltz holds that the CDM process is influenced by genetic endowment, environmental conditions and events, and learning experiences. CDM learning takes place in a way consistent with other social learning theory. The three main categories of learning, according to social learning theorists, are: (1) reinforcement—certain behaviors, attitudes, decisions, and so forth are rewarded by the self, others, or the environment; (2) modeling—witnessing another person engaging in certain behaviors and consequently being rewarded for those behaviors; (3) contiguous pairing, or classical conditioning, wherein a certain behavior or attitude coincides with a reward or a punishment such that behavior is consequently approached or avoided, even when the original reward or punishment is no longer present.

All of these learnings impinge on the individual and play a major role in the development of *task approach skills*. These skills help the individual engage in CDM and participate in those activities that will lead to the solution of career-related problems. Thus, they may be seen as a sort of readiness for CDM, or even as career maturity. They lead to self-statements and feelings about one's own CDM ability and enable individuals to predict their future CDM actions, such as going on a job interview or applying to a training school.

According to social learning theory, interests are a consequence of learning, and *learning* is what leads people to make occupational choices, not interests. The process of career planning and development is seen as one in which a change in learning will produce a change in preferences and interests. The greatest implication stemming from this theory is that we should provide great variation in the learning experiences of young people. Social learning theory views vocational undecidedness as an information deficit, not as a sign of immaturity. Career counseling is seen not merely as a process of matching existing personal characteristics with existing job characteristics, but as a process of opening up new learning experiences and motivating the client to initiate career-relevant exploratory activities.

The strengths of the theory are: (1) it does the best job of explaining the process by which interests are developed, and thus helps individuals understand why they have the stereotypes they do and, to some degree, also provides a model for altering those interests or stereotypes; and (2) it views undecidedness as an information deficit and not as a weakness or a sign of immaturity in the individual. The weaknesses of the theory are: (1) the learning history's influence upon later interest patterns has not been established longitudinally, but only cross-sectionally, and (2) the specific cognitive and behavioral processes necessary to define the effective decision-making process have not been proposed, nor is there much discussion about what a desirable decision is supposed to look like.
Theory 9: The Decision-making Approach

Decision-making theory suggests that, while career development is a continuous process, there are critical decision points that typically occur when an individual faces a change in jobs or in educational plans (Gordon 1981; and others). The most well-known decision-making theory is that of Tiedeman and his colleagues.

Tiedeman views decision making as integrally related to an individual's ego development and values development. An interaction is postulated to take place between the development of the ego, of values, and of one's decision-making ability. Each of the three variables may affect the other. Individuals' awareness of this interaction increases control over their lives. This control is referred to as "I" power, and the eight conditions individuals must master before obtaining "I" power are as follows:

1. Becoming more conscious of themselves in order to cooperate with the momentary and daily evolutions
2. Living more frequently in the now as opposed to the future and past
3. Becoming more planful and acting on their plans
4. Waking up to making their lives happen rather than just sleeping and letting their lives happen
5. Trusting themselves in order to tolerate anxiety when facing uncertainty
6. Being sensitive to others as they gain "I" power—not power over but power with and among other people
7. Recognizing and discarding old ways of thinking through self-remembering
8. Being honest with themselves
   (Miller-Tiedeman & Niemi 1977, p. 5)

In the mastery of these conditions, an individual's habitual or core decision-making strategy moves through a hierarchy from aimless to fixed to impulsive to postpone to complaint to reluctant to planned to analytical. Ego development and values development, as well as situational determiners and influencers will determine the eventual decision-making level adopted.
The decision-making process attempts to help individuals bring to their consciousness all the factors inherent in making decisions so that they will be able to make choices based on full knowledge of themselves and on appropriate external information. Tiedeman and O'Hara's (1963) model divides the process of decision making into two aspects, anticipation and accommodation. Anticipation consists of a person's preoccupation with the parts out of which a decision is fashioned. Accommodation is the change from imagination and choice to implementation and reality-based adjustments between self and external reality (Dudley and Tiedeman 1977). The stages of exploration, crystallization, choice, and clarification are referred to as "problem forming." Problem forming leads into a "problem solving" level, which leads to a "solution reviewing" level. These levels are followed through for every decision made. The amount of thought given to the levels is dependent upon the individual's decision-making strategy, which in turn is dependent upon the individual's ego and values development. Knowledge of these interrelationships and how they affect one's decisions constitutes "I" power. The authors suggest that learners be taught "I" power, so that they might begin to accept personal responsibility for their own lives and their own happiness throughout their lives.

Some of the strengths of decision-making theory are: (1) the process of decision making, when it is explicitly defined, gives counselors a useful tool for all forms of decision making in counseling; (2) career development of an individual is not seen as occurring in a vacuum, but is viewed from several angles; and (3) decision-making theory places a great amount of responsibility on the individual and describes an ideal model that can be learned and applied to one's own life. Some weaknesses of the theory are: (1) the constructs deny prediction and thus make validation of the theory extremely difficult; and (2) the style of Tiedeman's writing is complex and generally difficult to understand and follow.

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Theory 10: The Cognitive Approach

The cognitive theories of career development are a relatively new addition to the field. They have grown out of the cognitive-developmental and cognitive-behavioral models used in counseling and therapy. People such as Beck (1970; Beck et al. 1979), Crabbs (1979), Dryden (1979), Ellis (1970), Gerler (1980), Kirby (1979), Knefelkamp and Slepitza (1976), Knefelkamp et al. (1976), Meichenbaum (1977), Perry (1970), Rest (1973), and Thoresen and Ewart (1976) have laid much of the theoretical groundwork, or have modified and extended the ideas to apply to career counseling.

According to Rest (1973), cognitive-developmental theories are built around three main ideas: (1) structural organization, (2) developmental sequence, and (3) interactionism.

Structural organization. Information processing is of central importance in cognitive models. People are seen as active interpreters of their environments. They selectively attend to certain stimuli, place a meaningful order on these stimuli, and develop principles to guide behavior and solve problems. The way people process information is determined by relatively fixed patterns called cognitive structures. These thought processes define how individuals view themselves, others, and the environment. The way individuals think will determine how they will behave. Changes in the cognitive structure must be brought about before changes in behavior can occur.

Developmental sequence. Development is seen as a progression through a fixed sequence of hierarchical stages. Each stage involves a different way of thinking. Greater cognitive differentiation and integration is required as individuals advance to higher levels. As people pass through the different stages, their view of themselves and the world is expanded and becomes more complex.

Interactionism. Development is seen as the result of an interaction between the person and the environment. Individual maturity or readiness must be matched with environmental opportunity in order for growth to occur. Growth is produced when individuals are confronted by stimuli from the environment that their cognitive constructs cannot handle. This creates dissonance or disequilibrium. In order to reduce this tension, individuals must change their cognitive structures to accommodate greater complexity. Too much dissonance can be overwhelming, however, and can prevent growth. Therefore, it is important that growth take place at a steady, gradual pace.

Developmental Stages

One model (Knefelkamp and Slepitza 1976) contains four categories and nine stages. The categories include dualism, multiplicity, relativism, and commitment within relativism.

I. Dualism. This period is characterized by reliance on external factors to control decisions. Individuals lack the ability to analyze and synthesize information. Careers are seen as being either right or wrong for them, with little understanding of the complexity that is actually involved.
Stage 1. Individuals have a total reliance on external authorities. This may be parents, counselors, teachers, interest inventories, or friends. Persons accept the suggested careers as the only possible choices. Little or no self-processing of information takes place.

Stage 2. Individuals begin to realize that it is possible to make a wrong career decision. This causes anxiety. The individuals have very little understanding of the decision-making process, but are now becoming aware that things are not quite as simple as once assumed.

II. Multiplicity. Individuals accept a decision-making process. The locus of control is still outside of the individuals, but they are beginning to analyze career factors in more detail. An awareness of the relationship between consideration of multiple factors and right career decisions begins to develop.

Stage 3. Individuals become more aware that values, information, and prioritizing are important components of the decision-making process, and they begin to analyze careers using more self-dimensions.

Stage 4. Individuals now realize that multiple good career choices exist, and begin to prioritize using both internal and external sources of information. The decision-making process becomes a complex weighing of factors, with the hope that the right career will be found.

III. Relativism. The locus of control is shifted from an external reference point to an internal one. People see themselves as being primarily responsible for the decision-making process and begin to utilize higher levels of processing to analyze careers. They are able to deal with the positive and negative aspects of many careers and can see themselves in a variety of roles.

Stage 5. Counselors or teachers are now seen as knowledgeable sources of information, but are no longer the ultimate authority. Individuals see themselves as being in control, are able to become detached, and analyze alternatives in a systematic manner.

Stage 6. Individuals begin to tire of considering all the possibilities and desire to establish more order by making some choices. Not yet ready to make a commitment, this is a reflective stage in which the individuals establish ties between careers and themselves, consider the consequences of the commitment to be made, and face responsibility in making a commitment.

IV. Commitment within relativism. Individuals begin to realize that commitment to a career is not simply a narrowing of the old world, but is also an expansion into a new world. They become more integrated with their environments. Career identity and self identity become more closely related. Values, thoughts, and behaviors become more consistent with one another, and the individuals can now deal with more challenges and changes from the environment.

Stage 7. Individuals move from a fear that making choices will be confining to a narrower role, toward a realization that it is themselves who ultimately defined their own roles. This leads to a new focus on individual styles and how people choose to fulfill a role.

Stage 8. The consequences of making a commitment are beginning to be felt. The result is a mixture of positive and negative emotions. New challenges arise that require a further redefinition of values, purposes, and identity. As this process continues, a deeper integration between all aspects of life takes place.

Stage 9. Individuals now have a firm understanding of self identity, effects on others, and others' effects on them. The individuals constantly seek new ways of expressing self identity. This involves
seeking out and processing new information from the environment, taking new risks to more fully attain potential, and interacting more closely with others and the environment.

The main strength of the cognitive approach is that it gives full attention to the complex thought processes occurring throughout the career decision-making process. While other theories often deal with the consequences of those processes, the cognitive approach outlines in detail how it works and how it develops. The greatest weakness is that it describes a process very difficult to observe and thus test.

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Group IV: Theories of Adult Career Development

The theories of adult development propose that adults in our society are confronted with tasks and life events quite different from those encountered by children, adolescents, and older individuals. During the past four decades there has been a dramatic rise of interest in researching adult development. Charlotte Buhler, Else Frenkel-Brunswick, Erik Erikson, and Robert Havighurst were pioneers in the research that defined life stages, the central issues of each stage, crisis points between stages, and the place of external events and subjective experiences in adult life development.

Chronological Age Approach

In this view, transitions are closely linked to chronological age. One of the best-known studies is that of Daniel Levinson and colleagues (1977). Using a small sample of blue-collar and white-collar men between the ages of eighteen and forty-five, Levinson and his colleagues sought to identify "relatively universal, genotypic, age-linked adult development periods" (p. 49). The researchers say:

One of our greatest surprises was the relatively low variability in the age at which every period begins and ends. It was not a prediction we made in advance.... This finding violates the long-held and cherished ideas that individual adults develop at different paces. (Levinson et al. 1978, p. 318)

Gail Sheehy (1974), in the best-seller, Passages: Predictable Crises of Adult Life, researched the life stories of 115 middle-class Americans, ages eighteen to fifty-five, in order to (1) trace inner change in her subjects, (2) compare the developmental patterns of men and women, and (3) examine the "predictable crises for couples." Her conclusions were: (1) men and women continue growing up from eighteen to fifty; (2) there are predictable crises (passages) at each step; (3) the steps are the same for both sexes but the developmental rhythms are not; and (4) we use each crisis to stretch to our full potential.

The Life Stage Approach

Another group of theorists assert that human beings pass through an invariable sequence of developmental stages, though these stages are not necessarily linked exactly with chronological age; that is, some people move through them faster than others, and some people may become arrested at one stage and never move on.

Erik Erikson (1950) used both physiological and societal considerations in charting eight life stages. Each life stage unfolds in sequence, each is triggered by a turning point of increased personal vulnerability and potentiality, and each confronts the individual with central issues demanding resolution. Erikson's adult stages and life tasks are outlined as follows:

- **Young Adulthood**: Intimacy versus isolation
- **Middle Age**: Generativity (a commitment to and caring for the next generation) versus stagnation
- **Maturity**: Integrity (a belief that one's life has had purpose) versus despair
Charlotte Buhler (1968) defined life stages of growth, exploration, establishment, maintenance, and decline after analyzing the life stories of individuals of varied nationality, occupation, and social class. She looked at external events (what the people did, their jobs, their friends), internal events (what they think and feel about their lives), and life accomplishments and products. The socio-economic expectations of individuals were the basis of her stage definitions.

Robert Havighurst (1952) saw the tasks of adulthood stemming mainly from the social roles adults take on—worker, mate, parent, homemaker, citizen—and he concluded that each developmental task produces a readiness to learn, which at its peak presents a teachable moment. (Think of how much parenthood was upon you when you took your first child home from the hospital; or earlier, how ready you were to find a job when you left school.) Some of the tasks are listed here with Havighurst's somewhat vague ordering of development:

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Roger Gould (1978) of the University of California at Los Angeles compared a group of outpatients at UCLA's Neuropsychiatric Institute with a nonpatient group, and through observation and questionnaires he learned that adults generally pass through seven developmental stages, each stage having its special conflicts, joys, fears, and beliefs.

The Lifespan Approach

Lifespan theorists hold a position that rests on the following premises: (1) development change and aging form a continual process, not limited to any particular stage of life; (2) change occurs in various interrelated social, psychological, and biological domains of human behavior and functioning; and (3) life-course development is multidetermined. Thus, according to this viewpoint, to understand a particular stage of life—including middle and old age—it is necessary to place it within the context of the preceding and following developmental changes and stabilities and within its historical context (Abeles and Rile 1977).

This approach is set in opposition to theories involving adult stages, on the grounds that stages cast development as unidirectional, hierarchical, sequenced in time, cumulative, and irreversible—ideas that are "not supported by commanding evidence" (Brim and Kagan 1980).

The Individual Idiosyncrasy Approach

Diametrically opposed to the view that transitions are inextricably bound to chronological age or that they follow an invariable sequence is Bernice Neugarten (1979), who emphasizes variability or what she calls "individual fanning out." She and her colleagues on the Committee on Human Development at the University of Chicago, in their study of middle age and late life, contribute much insight into the way social and cultural influences affect adult development. Their research
shows that most people have definite ideas that they learn from society about appropriate ages to do certain things (marrying, having children, selecting one's career direction). They have also found that in the early or mid-forties, individuals stop thinking in terms of time since birth and begin to compute time left to live.

The Transition Approach

More recently, Schlossberg (1981; Schlossberg et al. 1978) has integrated the theories of Neugarten, Lowenthal, and others (1975) into a model for analyzing human adaptation to transition. The model includes three sets of factors that influence adaptation to transition: (1) the characteristics of the particular transition (positive or negative, expected or unexpected); (2) the characteristics of the pre- and posttransition environment (amount of family and institutional support); and (3) the characteristics of the individual who is experiencing the transition (age, health, values, and so forth).

For Schlossberg, a transition is not so much a matter of change as of the individual's perception of change. Adult lives are marked by the continuous adaptation to transitions that result from: (1) the general absence of change, or new life events; (2) the failure of an expected event or change to occur; or (3) the mitigation of events or circumstances formerly considered stressful.

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Career development is a lifelong process. Individuals seek occupations that meet their needs. Interests are a consequence of learning. Decisions are influenced by environment and learning experiences. External forces influence career choice. Accepted a high-paying, prestigious job. Returned to school to become an engineer. Career development is a long process.
LEARNING EXPERIENCE II
CAREER DEVELOPMENT CONCEPTS

KEY CONCEPT: Concepts delivered through career education are derived from career development theory.

COMPETENCY: Workshop participants will be better able to present career development concepts that relate to their curricula.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE: Workshop participants will list at least three career development concepts that could be taught in their curricula.

OVERVIEW: The purpose of this learning experience is to make workshop participants aware of the basic career development concepts that can be incorporated into the K-12 curriculum. It highlights the areas of self, world of work, career planning, and decision making. The instructor presents career development concepts and the participants discuss, in small groups, which of these concepts could be incorporated into their curricula.

If your state or school district has a career education or career development model, use that one instead of the one presented.

INSTRUCTOR'S INFORMATION:

Time Estimate: 60 minutes

Workshop Resources:
- Handouts
  - Self—page 1-47
  - World of Work—page 1-48
  - Career Planning and Decision Making—page 1-49
  - Sample Activities—page 1-50
  - Resources—page 1-75
- Transparency Masters
  - Career—page 1-51
  - I’ve Made a Decision (Series)—page 1-53 through 1-59
  - Career Development Model—page 1-61
  - Self—page 1-63
  - World of Work—page 1-65
  - Career Planning and Decision Making—page 1-67

Instructional Methods:
- Minilecture
- Small Group Activity
I. Introduction of Learning Experience

A. Indicate that in this activity participants will learn the basic components of a career development model and then discuss how they can teach this information to their students.

B. Start by providing a definition of career. Summarize the definition by indicating that one's career is a life-long process that includes all facets of life. Point out that, as defined, one's career encompasses more than one's occupation. Indicate that this definition is accepted by most career development specialists and career educators.

II. Overview of Career Education (Minilecture)

A. Indicate that career education is the process used to help students learn the career development concepts necessary to make informed career choices based upon their knowledge of self, the world of work, career preparation, and decision making.

B. Mention that career development activities are needed because students cannot make meaningful career choices based on isolated facts. Indicate that the young girl in the transparency was making a career choice based on one small piece of information.

C. Present the graphic of a career development model. The model used in this learning experience is from K-12 Guide for Integrating Career Development into Local Curriculum (Drier, 1973). Use your state or local model if it is available. A list of state career education coordinators is provided in Appendix B of the Instructor's Manual.

1. The center of the model represents the person who has knowledge about self and a vocational identity.

2. In order to have an accurate vocational identity, a person must have knowledge about (1) self, the world of work, and career planning and preparation; and (2) how these components interrelate.

Notes

If you need information on local career development models, contact your state department of education and/or your district office.

Show transparency I.II.1—“Career”—found on page I-51.

Show the four transparencies, I.II.2-I.II.5—“I've Made a Decision”—found on pages I-53 through I-59.

Show transparency I.II.6—“Career Development Model”—found on page I-61.

Consider making transparencies and handouts that reflect your state or local model.
3. Using this knowledge, an individual needs to make decisions to determine a vocational identity.

III. Career Development and Self

A. Indicate that learning about self is an important part of the career development process.

1. As the transparency indicates, individuals need to understand how they perceive themselves (SELF in the transparency) in relationship to various factors. They should be aware of how their individual characteristics (THE INDIVIDUAL) and their relationships with others (OTHERS) impact upon their self-concept. Their environment is a continual backdrop for their perceptions and decisions (DM).

2. Individuals' self-perception becomes their internal frame of reference. When they react to the environment, they are doing so based upon their perceptions of themselves.

B. Ask participants what are some of the items people might know or consider about themselves to form a perception of self. List them on the chalkboard or easel.

- Aptitudes
- Skills
- Interests
- Personal strengths
- Personal limitations
- Values
- Social relationships
- Coping strategies

C. Indicate that the handout "Self" lists some major career development competencies students should have attained by the completion of different grade levels.
### Instructor's Outline

| D. Summarize by indicating that a good career education effort helps students develop a realistic and positive self-concept. |

### Notes

| If you are using your state's or district's career development model, present competencies, concepts, and/or goals related to self-understanding. |

**IV. Career Development and World of Work**

A. Suggest that work should be perceived as an integral part of self-expression and self-realization.

1. Students should understand the conditions and benefits of specific occupations (WORK CONDITIONS and WORK BENEFITS AND RESTRICTIONS on the transparency).

2. Students need to know about the economic conditions and how the economy influences not only one's food, shelter, and clothing, but also one's educational setting, occupational life, leisure, and personal time (ECONOMIC factor on the transparency).

3. Technological changes affect labor force needs by creating new jobs, changing existing jobs, and discontinuing other jobs (CHANGE AND ITS EFFECTS factor on the transparency).

4. Individuals need to see the relationship of a job to a family of jobs within which there can be movement (STRUCTURE on the transparency).

5. Work should be viewed as an opportunity for self-expression, growth, and development (SOCIAL and PSYCHOLOGICAL factors on the transparency).

B. Indicate that the handout "World of Work" contains some additional career development competencies students should have.

Show transparency I.11.8—"World of Work"—found on page 1-65.

Distribute handout titled "World of Work" found on page 1-48.

If you are using your state's or district's career development model, present competencies, concepts, and/or goals related to world-of-work understanding.
C. Summarize by mentioning that an accurate perception of the world of work is a necessary aspect of career development.

V. Career Planning and Decision Making

A. Suggest that career planning is an informational and decision-making process.

1. Individuals need to learn the skills necessary to gather, organize, and evaluate information for decision making (INFORMATION GATHERING on the transparency).

2. Planning needs to occur in all aspects of one’s life—educational, occupational, and personal—requiring continuous decision making (EDUCATION AND TRAINING on the transparency).

3. The influences of family, peers, and the community are great when an individual makes a career decision. These influences should be weighed carefully (FAMILY, PEERS, COMMUNITY on the transparency).

B. Indicate that the handout “Career Planning and Decision Making” contains related career development competencies.

VI. Summary of Model

A. Indicate that the model just presented is one of many. The competencies and concepts can be configured in different ways. The important thing to remember is that career development concepts and competencies can and should be taught to students.

Show transparency 1.II.9—"Career Planning and Decision Making"—found on page I-67.

Distribute handout titled "Career Planning and Decision Making" found on page I-49.

If you are using your state’s or district’s career development model, present competencies, concepts, and/ or goals related to career decision making.
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VII. Career Development Concepts and the Curriculum (Small Group Activity)

A. Divide participants into small groups by grade level. With the three handouts listing the career development competencies and the handout listing sample activities, have the groups discuss how they could teach the concepts for their grade levels.

B. Ask the groups to present their ideas.

VIII. Wrap-Up

A. Indicate that this learning experience was designed to give an overview of career development concepts.

B. Emphasize that other modules will focus on more specific occupational information and its infusion into the curriculum.

Notes

Distribute handout “Sample Activities” found on page 1-50.

Provide participants with a copy of “Resources” on page 1-75 for their future reference. Have participants complete the post-workshop portion of the “Competency Self-Assessment” on page 1-71, and the “Workshop Effectiveness” form on page 1-72, if this module ends your training session.
SELF—How individuals perceive themselves in relation to their individual characteristics and their relations with others within their environment.

The following are suggested competencies students should possess in relation to the components of the above model.

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<td>K-3</td>
<td>Be aware of possible disagreement of his/her perceptions and those of others.</td>
<td>Begin to be aware of his/her abilities.</td>
<td>Be able to differentiate self from others.</td>
<td>Be aware of his/her environment.</td>
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<td>4-6</td>
<td>Begin to develop an understanding of those disagreements that exist.</td>
<td>Begin to explore his/her abilities.</td>
<td>Describe how he/she resembles and differs from others.</td>
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<td>7-9</td>
<td>Attempt to eliminate discrepancies between own and others' perceptions of him/herself.</td>
<td>Rotate his/her abilities to career planning.</td>
<td>Understand why people are unique.</td>
<td>Relate the self to the environment.</td>
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<td>10-12</td>
<td>Attempt to bring together discrepancies between real and perceived self.</td>
<td>Formulate career expectations that are consistent with abilities.</td>
<td>Accept uniqueness of individuals (including self).</td>
<td>Reality test his/her role in the environment.</td>
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The following are suggested competencies students should possess in relation to world-of-work understanding.

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<th>Work Values</th>
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<td>K-3</td>
<td>Develop an awareness that work exists for a purpose.</td>
<td>Develop an awareness that occupations differ.</td>
<td>Develop an awareness that individuals work to meet needs.</td>
<td>Develop an awareness that change affects work.</td>
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<td>Develop an understanding of purposes of work.</td>
<td>Develop an understanding of clusters of occupations.</td>
<td>Develop an understanding of how work meets needs.</td>
<td>Develop an understanding that change is continuous.</td>
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<td>Explore, rank, and value purposes of work.</td>
<td>Explore occupations within clusters.</td>
<td>Explore the relationship between work and individual needs.</td>
<td>Experience (through simulation) change.</td>
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<td>10-12</td>
<td>Affirm own purposes for work.</td>
<td>Make tentative occupational choice.</td>
<td>Identify tentative work life style.</td>
<td>Provide for changes in life style.</td>
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CAREER PLANNING AND DECISION MAKING

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SAMPLE ACTIVITIES

Self

K-3 Students develop collages using pictures from magazines that depict people participating in activities that they think they can do. They then discuss the collages with family members.

4-6 Students write brief compositions on: (1) How I cope with my feelings, (2) How am I special from all others, and (3) How I can best improve myself.

7-9 Each student lists five careers in which he or she is interested and answers the following questions: (1) Which two would you like best? Why? (2) Which two do you think you are most suited for, considering your knowledge of yourself and your interests? (3) Which two do you feel could offer you success? Why?

10-12 In small groups, students discuss those personal traits and qualities that are expected by employers.

World of Work

K-3 The class brainstorms ideas about why people work. Print a questionnaire with the students’ suggested reasons for why people work. (Provide blank spaces on the questionnaire for other reasons.) Have the class distribute the questionnaire to school workers. Tally the results and discuss them.

4-6 The class produces a mini-newspaper to learn different jobs at a newspaper. Students (1) write comic strips, news stories, and sports stories; (2) lay out and type stories; and (3) print and distribute newspaper.

7-9 Each student selects an occupation in a given cluster of occupations and develops a speech that explains to the class the various aspects of that occupation.

10-12 Students write on the topic, “What do you expect to gain from work and what can society expect to gain from your work?”

Career Planning and Decision Making

K-3 Students interview their parents regarding the parents’ work and discuss their feelings about the work.

4-6 Students research the type and amount of education needed for various occupations.

7-9 Students role-play how they would receive and use positive and negative information from friends.

10-12 Students participate in mock job interviews with community representatives.
CAREER

THE PURPOSEFUL PATTERN OF ACTIVITIES THAT CONSTITUTES A LIFETIME OF WORK, LEARNING, LEISURE, SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, AND PERSONAL AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT.
I'VE MADE A DECISION

WHAT?
I WANT TO BE A POLICE OFFICER
WHEN I'M GROWN UP!
WHY A POLICE OFFICER?
I LIKE BLUE SUITS!
WORLD OF WORK

Factors:

- Work Conditions
- Work Benefits and Restrictions
- Social
- Change and Its Effects
- Economics
- Psychological
- Structure

WORLD OF WORK FACTORS
CAREER PLANNING AND DECISION MAKING

- Information Gathering
- Family
  - Peers
  - Community
- Education & Training

CAREER PLANNING & PREPARATION

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EVALUATION TECHNIQUES

Prior to the workshop, the instructor should administer the Competency Self-Assessment (pre-workshop) to determine how competent the participants think they are in the topics to be taught. The Competency Self-Assessment (post-workshop) is to be administered again at the end of the workshop to identify the level of competency growth. The instructor also should make specific observations during the workshop activities to measure attainment of the performance objectives. An additional instrument is designed to obtain data on the effectiveness of the workshop techniques.

The following questionnaires relate to this module. When more than one module is being taught, the instructor can develop a comprehensive pre-workshop and post-workshop competency self-assessment that addresses the modules used.
ASSESSING PARTICIPANTS’ MASTERY OF PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

The instructor’s outline suggests activities that require written or verbal responses. The following list of performance indicators will assist you in assessing the quality of the participants’ work.

Module Title: Basic Principles of Career Development
Module: 1

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<td>1. Did each group have a suggestion to offer?</td>
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COMPETENCY SELF-ASSESSMENT

Directions: For each competency statement that follows, assess your present competency. For each competency statement, circle one letter that best describes your competence by the scale defined below.

COMPETENCE SCALE

Assess your present knowledge or skill in terms of the following competency statements:

a. Very competent: My capabilities are developed sufficiently to perform this competency and to teach it to other people.

b. Competent: I possess most of the capabilities required to perform this competency but I cannot teach it to other people.

c. Minimally competent: I have a few of the capabilities required to perform this competency.

d. Not competent: I cannot perform this competency.

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WORKSHOP EFFECTIVENESS—MODULE I

NAME (Optional) ______________________________________ TITLE ______________________________________

INSTITUTION __________________________________________________________

ADDRESS ____________________________________________________________ TELEPHONE __________

1. To what extent were the materials, processes, and organizational aspects of the module successfully used in the presentation and delivery of the module? For those materials, processes, or organizational aspects that you marked as "unsuccessful" or "slightly successful," provide brief comments as to how they might be improved.

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Lecture Presentations
Large Group Discussions
Small Group Sessions

**Organizational Aspects**

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Module Organization in Terms of the Logical Flow of Ideas
Important Concepts Reinforced
The Mix of Activities Helpful in Maintaining Interest

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2. Indicate those aspects of the module that you liked most and those that you liked least.

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3. SUGGESTIONS: Please provide suggestions or comments that you have for improving the workshop, workshop materials, and so on.
RESOURCES

The materials listed below provide additional information on career education goals and concepts. ERIC numbers are listed for some documents if they are entered into the Educational Resource Information Clearinghouse.


This publication proposes the use of a goal-based curriculum to infuse strategies and address goals that meet the career development needs of all students. It serves as an example of how outcomes expressed as goals link, developmentally, from grade K through 14. In the matrix, (1) each major goal is broken out into more definite statements that serve as descriptors of the particular area; (2) each objective is then viewed in terms of grade-level groupings, so that indicators relevant to age-level characteristics or maturation including social are reflected in each one—leading to continuity in the attainment of career competencies; (3) the goals may be addressed in any number of ways, thereby encouraging teachers and counselors to use their own techniques and strategies, their own content, and to adapt each goal or objective. The ten goals of the matrix cover self-awareness, interpersonal skills, decision making, work habits and attitudes, communication and computation skills, career implications of school subject matter, socio-technological-economic-political understanding, career information, marketable skills and adaptability, and leisure preferences and personal responsibilities. The publication also contains a discussion of career education philosophy and the relationship between career education and vocational education, and references.


Designed as a resource manual for use in conjunction with state and/or local level career education staff development training sessions, this handbook also provides local practitioners with information to develop new or improved career education programs. Chapter 1 overviews the concept, rationale, goals, and objectives of career education in Massachusetts. Each of the next six chapters includes an introduction, examples of successful implementation strategies, and sources for reference materials and may be used separately from the others. Major areas are career education program planning and implementation, getting staff involved and designing inservice training programs, curriculum infusion, community resource utilization, career education and special needs students, and evaluating career education programs. A list of career development concepts is appended.

The importance of career education for elementary special education students is noted, the progress of goal development described, infusion approaches suggested for classroom activities, and the career clusters approach reviewed. Suggestions are also made for taking advantage of school jobs and establishing a class business.


The primary content of this document is a collection of 39 articles that appeared in the first four volumes of the *Journal of Career Education* (1974-1978). Four additional articles were developed by Drs. Sidney P. Marland and Kenneth B. Hoyt. The articles cover the following topics: (1) the socio-philosophic foundations of career education, (2) vocationalism and humanism in career education, (3) legislation affecting career education, (4) organization and administration of career education, (5) business, industry, and labor views of career education, (6) career education in the elementary school, (7) career education in the junior high school, (8) career education in the secondary school, (9) career education at the college level, (10) career education for individuals with special needs, (11) evaluation of career education, and (12) teacher preparation for career education.


This book has several purposes. It (1) examines and evaluates current theoretical and empirical findings relevant to career choice; (2) compares the similarities and differences of the theories; (3) synthesizes general theoretical statements, identifying ingredients common to most theories; and (4) considers the theories with respect to their implications for career counseling. Major parts of the book include (1) personality approaches to careers, (2) trait-oriented approaches to career development, (3) developmental theories, and (4) social systems and career decisions.


This manual is designed to inform local school district personnel of career education concepts and practices. These materials, representing a one-day workshop, consist of nine activities. Topics covered in the activities are an overview of the workshop, definitions of career education, and differences between career and vocational education; career education values and implications; and the historical background of career education (including legislation), the need for career education, career educational goal areas, elements of an operational career education program, and infusing career education into a course of study. The activities contain a statement of purpose, information on which to base lectures and discussions, and specific instructions for implementing suggested exercises. Ten activity handouts are provided. These include a workshop agenda, career education definitions, a personal career line, a career education goals area game and answer sheet, an instrument for assessing career education programs, and a description of the elements of an operating career education program.

As a result of a series of miniconferences held throughout the United States on implementing career education in Grades K-12, four implementation issues were identified and summarized in this monograph. (Other issues are treated in separate publications.) The issues which the K-12 educators identified as very important were the following: (1) the issue of infusing career education into the regular curriculum versus creating separate courses; (2) whether the term "career education" should be abandoned; (3) the nature of the relationship between vocational education and career education, and (4) the use of career education resource centers in many school districts. For each of these issues, the arguments pro and con as advanced by the miniconference participants are summarized, and the personal observations of Kenneth B. Hoyt, Director, Office of Career Education, U.S. Department of Education, are included. As a result of the discussion at the conferences, Hoyt concludes that K-12 career education practitioners are fully capable of defining and discussing crucial conceptual issues, and they should be listened to more by those who make career education policy decisions; and that if an issue can be identified, there are already several K-12 career education practitioners in the country who have developed unique approaches to solving the problem.


This handbook of promising practices in Oregon career and vocational education contains descriptions of 46 practices in the areas of career awareness, career exploration, career preparation, and career specialization. Practices are reported according to the following format: topic, intended users, purpose, available products, resources needed, and source. Discussed in the section on career awareness are practices relating to career awareness curriculum kits, guidelines for integrating career and consumer education with reading programs, parent and community resources to develop elementary school programs, and infusing career education into the school curriculum.

Integrating career education into junior high school curriculums, career information delivery systems, programs for the deaf, rural cooperative programs serving academically disadvantaged students, and computer-assisted career explorations are covered. Topics examined next include building reading and mathematics skills; implementing mainstreaming and cooperative work experience programs for the handicapped; exploring careers in music, business, and agriculture; evaluating secondary programs; developing job search and placement programs; and eliminating sex stereotyping and increasing non-traditional enrollments. Special support services and programs at the community college level for academically disadvantaged and handicapped students are described.
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MODULE II
HOW TO DEVELOP INFUSED ACTIVITIES
## MODULE II

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INTRODUCTION

The purposes of this module are (1) to help workshop participants understand the value of classroom activities that infuse career development concepts into general subjects and (2) to provide them with a process to use when developing infusion activities.

In the first learning experience, participants arrive at a group working definition of infusion and apply it to specific examples. The second learning experience attempts to help them internalize the idea of infusion and to accept the responsibility for doing it. Many of the activities in these learning experiences are optional, depending upon the group's level of involvement. A process for developing an infused activity is taught in the third learning experience.

CATEGORY: Introductory

KEY CONCEPT: Infusion is a viable means of delivering life-related subject matter.

COMPETENCIES: After completion of this module, workshop participants (teachers of various subjects) will be better able to—

1. define infusion of career development concepts, and the purpose and expected benefits of infusion;

2. demonstrate acceptance of the responsibility for infusing career development concepts into their curriculum; and

3. demonstrate an understanding of the process used to develop infusion activities by developing a lesson plan.
LEARNING EXPERIENCE I

WHAT IS CAREER DEVELOPMENT INFUSION?

KEY CONCEPT: Infusion is a viable means of delivering life-related subject matter.

COMPETENCY: Workshop participants will be better able to define infusion of career development concepts and the purpose and expected benefits of infusion.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:
- Workshop participants will reach consensus on a definition for infusion.
- Workshop participants will identify correctly at least 80 percent of the activities presented on the Infusion Worksheet.

OVERVIEW: This learning experience is an introductory one that helps participants think about the concept of infusion and discusses its purpose and benefits. The group writes (or is given) a definition of infusion, and in small groups, participants may invent slogans that depict the definition. In the final exercise, participants complete a worksheet in which they indicate whether an activity is infused or added on.

If you need additional information on the concept of infusion, contact the person(s) in your school district or state department of education who has responsibility for career education. Also, the documents on pages II-45 through II-55 provide background information on the definition of infusion.

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I. Introduction of the Learning Experience

A. Explain the purpose of the learning experience—to understand the concept of infusion of career development concepts into the curriculum.

B. Indicate that the activities within this learning experience include a group discussion of infusion, a slogan contest, and the completion of a worksheet.

II. What Is Infusion? (Group Discussion)

A. Indicate that the purpose of this activity is to arrive at a definition of infusion of career development concepts.

B. Ask participants to give their own definitions.

C. Review the comments made by the group and combine ideas that are similar. With the information that remains, write a definition upon which you and the group agree.

1. The definition should include the following points:
   - Infusion is a means of “threading” or “weaving” career-related content into existing courses in the curriculum
   - Infusion is the teaching of subject matter and career content at the same time.
   - Infused career education is not an add-on or separate course.

2. An activity is infused if the following criteria are met:
   - There is one subject area objective.
   - There is one career objective.
   - The activity teaches subject area content and career content at the same time.

If appropriate, administer the pre-workshop portion of “Competency Self-Assessment” on page II-41.

If you sense that your participants have had sufficient group activity, omit the group discussion and slogan contest.

Write responses on the chalkboard or on sheets of paper.

Start here if you are omitting the group discussion.

Show transparency II.1.1—“Criteria for Infusion”—found on page II-11.
D. Discuss the purpose and benefits of infusion. The following points should be mentioned:

1. Infusion (and career education in general) is an attempt to emphasize the goal of education as preparation for work.

2. It is part of the curriculum, not added on to it. No additional courses or extracurricular activities need to be created.

3. For many teachers this concept is not new. They have been teaching career-related concepts for years, but have not labeled this teaching "career education."

4. A basic rationale for the infusion approach is to motivate students to acquire skills, knowledge, and attitudes related to career development while increasing the amount of subject matter they actually learn.

5. It provides relevance to regular subject matter in the curriculum.

6. Costs can be kept to a minimum. An infused career education approach can operate within the existing school staffing framework. Because it is curriculum-oriented, it does not require changes in regular staff assignments, duties, or procedures.

E. Summarize the discussion and indicate that the benefits of infusion are great.

III. The Slogan Contest (Optional) (Small Group Activity)

A. Indicate that the next activity is to develop slogans that illustrate examples of infusion.

B. Divide the participants into small groups of two to three people.

C. Ask each group to develop a slogan that would convey the idea of infusion. Give them the lead in, "Infusion is like . . . ." (Example, a steel-belted tire or a piece of fabric.)
D. Have each group present its slogan.

E. Summarize the activity by indicating that infusion is the linking together of career and academic concepts.

IV. Is It Infused or Not? (Handout Exercise)

A. Indicate again that an infused activity incorporates a career objective into an activity that is also teaching a subject matter activity. A simple example is using words related to an occupation as spelling words. An add-on is a separate activity unrelated to a subject area. An example is having community members speak at a school assembly without relating the discussion to specific subject matter.

B. Emphasize that occasionally an add-on activity is necessary and good, but that you do not need add-on activities to convey career concepts.

C. Have the participants complete the "Infusion or Not" worksheet. The participants are to identify which activities are infused into the curriculum and which are not.

D. Discuss the answers. The correct responses are these:

   1. Infused—students are learning math skills and doing part of the work of a carpet layer.

   2. Add-on—the interest inventory is not associated with an academic subject.

   3. Add-on—the job fair is a special event and normally not part of the regular curriculum; however, teachers often develop infused activities around the fair.

   4. Infused—students are learning how to identify the central idea of a reading assignment and at the same time learning about different life-styles.

   5. Infused—students are learning how to expand sentences and are becoming familiar with occupations.
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<td>7. Infused—students are improving their artistic skills and thinking about their parents in work and home roles.</td>
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<td>8. Add-on—the field trip is a special event for the class; however, infused activities can relate to the field trip.</td>
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<td>9. Add-on—the counselor’s discussion represents an extra activity and is not associated with a subject.</td>
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<td>10. Infused—the students are learning to spell and are learning information related to a specific occupation.</td>
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V. Wrap-Up

A. Summarize the activity and the learning experience. Infusion of career development concepts is one way of making students better prepared for work without taking time away from learning subject matter concepts and skills.

B. Indicate that in the next learning experience, participants will learn a process for developing an infused lesson.
INFUSION OR NOT?

The following is a listing of career-related activities in which students participate. Indicate whether the activity is infused (I) or is an add-on (A), placing "I" or "A" on the line beside the activity description.

1. Sixth-grade students complete math problems in which they figure the amount of carpet needed to cover a living room floor.

2. Tenth-grade students take an interest inventory and discuss the results in their social studies class.

3. Local employers participate in a job fair at the high school.

4. Eleventh-grade students read magazine articles related to life-styles of different occupations and write one-sentence statements of the main idea for each selection.

5. Third-grade students orally expand a given sentence (e.g., "the pilot flew") to tell how, when, where, and why.

6. Advanced French students read a dialogue, in French, about the life-style of a fashion designer.

7. In their art class, fifth-grade students draw their parents in situations at work and at home.

8. Second-grade students take a field trip to the local dry cleaners.

9. The counselor comes into a class and teaches twelfth-grade students how to behave in a job interview.

10. Fourth-grade students learn spelling words that relate to accounting.
CRITERIA FOR INFUSION

- ONE SUBJECT OBJECTIVE
- ONE CAREER OBJECTIVE
- THE TWO OBJECTIVES ARE TAUGHT TOGETHER
LEARNING EXPERIENCE II
EVERYONE SHOULD INFUSE

KEY CONCEPT: Infusion is a viable means of delivering life-related subject matter.

COMPETENCY: Workshop participants will be better able to demonstrate acceptance of the responsibility for infusing career development concepts into their curricula.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE: Workshop participants will list at least three ways infusion of career development concepts can strengthen the content of their curricula and motivate students for learning.

OVERVIEW: This learning experience provides workshop participants the opportunity to internalize the concept of infusion. Through a group discussion, participants determine that career information is important to impart to students and that they already have instructional vehicles in place to do this. They then discuss how everyone (K-12) needs to participate in teaching career development. In small groups they determine how career development concepts can be infused into specific grade levels and subject areas.

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I. Introduction of Learning Experience

A. Indicate that the purpose of the learning experience is to help participants understand that every teacher can and should infuse career development concepts into the curriculum.

B. Mention that there will be group discussion along with small group work.

II. What Are Your Responsibilities as a Teacher? (Minilecture)

A. (Optional) Ask participants to brainstorm what their teaching responsibilities are. Check the responses that relate to imparting information.

B. Point out that imparting information is a major responsibility of teachers. Highlight the fact that it is important for students to receive career-related information.

1. Few people would disagree that a "good teacher" provides students with content they can use in their lives apart from school. Students can use and need to use career-related information in their lives apart from school.

2. According to Ken Hoyt (former director of the U.S. Office of Career Education), "We have contended that one of the reasons students go to school is so they can engage in work after leaving the formal educational system. If teachers can show students how the subject matter relates to work that the student may some day choose to do, we have assumed that students may be motivated to learn more subject matter" (Hoyt, n.d.).

III. How Do You Teach Information? (Optional) (Group Discussion)

A. Ask participants what instructional techniques they use to present information to their students. Examples are lecture, readings, research, simulations, worksheets, and so forth.

If you think your group has had a sufficient amount of group work, you can omit some of the following activities.

Write responses on the chalkboard or sheet of paper.
B. Ask participants to indicate which of these techniques could be used in an infused lesson. Check their responses. If they do not indicate all of the listed techniques, check the remainder.

C. Indicate that all instructional techniques used to impart information can be used in infused lessons. Point out that they already are using techniques that can be used to infuse career development concepts into their classroom activities.

IV. How Can Career Development Be Infused into the Overall Curriculum? (Group Discussion)

A. Discuss with participants how the information in academic areas is taught in a systematic manner.

1. At specific grades, students are exposed to different levels of information. For example, in the primary grades, the goals of the language arts curriculum relate to learning the basic rudiments of the English language. At the high school level, a student's knowledge has grown so that the curriculum goals address using the language to develop analytical skills.

2. Information in a particular subject is taught in a sequential manner so students can build their knowledge based on elementary information.

B. Make the point that career development concepts also need to be taught in a systematic way.

1. All teachers should teach students career development concepts that relate to their subject areas.

2. Students should be exposed to different aspects of career-related information based upon their maturity.

C. Have participants discuss their feelings about infusing career development concepts into their curricula. Use the handout as a guide. Be careful that this does not turn into a gripe session. Put a time limit on the discussion of no more than 15 minutes.
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<td>Provide sample career development competencies from Module I if participants do not already have them.</td>
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<td>A. Divide participants into small homogeneous (subject and grade level) groups (no more than four members per group).</td>
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<td>B. Ask each group to list at least three places its members can infuse career development concepts into their classroom activities.</td>
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<td>1. For example, a primary-level teacher of social studies could infuse information on goods and service industries into a unit on the economy.</td>
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<td>2. A high school English teacher could infuse discussion of self-attributes and abilities into reviews of movies.</td>
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<td>3. A middle school teacher could infuse discussion of the effect of technological change into a unit on computers.</td>
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<td>C. Have groups report on suggested activities.</td>
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<td>A. Indicate that a positive aspect of teaching is motivating students to learn and that this learning can take place through career education.</td>
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<td>B. Indicate that in the next learning experience they will learn a process for developing infused lessons.</td>
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QUESTIONS ABOUT INFUSION

- **Who is responsible for infusion?**
  It is a collaborative team effort—all teacher, counselors, and administrators are responsible.

- **Where does infusion fit into what I am teaching?**
  Infusion fits where it can illustrate and enhance the meaningfulness of the instructional content.

- **How many minutes a day should be spent on infused activities?**
  There is no set time limit. The career concepts fit within the curriculum wherever they apply as part of the sequence of content. Career education does not have to happen every single day or every minute, but only where applicable.

- **Do I include information about all jobs?**
  It is impossible for every teacher to cover the multitude of occupations available. A program theme structure per grade level and/or subject area often helps to provide a wide exposure to the world of work.

- **Do I include infusion activities in every subject?**
  Career development is a thread that weaves through all subject areas. The amount of inclusion in each subject area depends on the applicability of instructional content. A comprehensive plan can insure that career education does not overburden any one subject.

- **What needs to be eliminated from the curriculum in order to infuse career development concepts?**
  Nothing needs to be dropped. It is not an either/or situation. The teacher simply matches a career objective with an applicable instructional objective and plans an activity that accomplishes both at the same time. Career education provides the motivation for learning subject content skills.

- **What exactly should I do in my classroom?**
  A teacher who understands the concept of career development and its importance as one of several basic goals of education can infuse career-related student outcomes as part of the teaching/learning process. The process of infusion into the everyday curriculum becomes a planning process involving a few steps:
  - Gaining awareness of the student career outcomes or themes for the grade level or subject area
  - Gaining awareness of the instructional content and objective for each subject
  - Matching an instructional objective with a career outcome
  - Planning an activity that combines the instructional and career objective
  - Evaluating the activity
LEARNING EXPERIENCE III

HOW TO INFUSE

KEY CONCEPT: Infusion is a viable means of delivering life-related subject matter.

COMPETENCY: Workshop participants will be better able to demonstrate an understanding of the process used to develop infusion activities by developing a lesson plan.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE: Workshop participants will develop a lesson plan that contains career development concepts and subject matter concepts related to the grade and subjects they teach.

OVERVIEW: Through this learning experience, participants learn a process for developing an infused activity. In the initial exercise the instructor teaches the same lesson twice; first without infusion and then as an infused lesson. The instructor then describes the process of developing an infused lesson. In small groups, participants develop infused lesson plans using the described process.

If you need additional resources relating to development of infused lessons, contact the career education personnel at your state department of education, your intermediate educational agency, or school district. Also some of the resource materials described on pages II-45 through II-55 describe the infusion process and formats.

INSTRUCTOR'S INFORMATION:

Time Estimate 60 to 90 minutes

Workshop Resources

Handouts
Noninfused Lesson—page II-23
Infused Lesson—page II-24
Sample Lesson Plans—page II-25-II-29
Lesson Plan Format—page II-30
Self—page II-31
World of Work—page II-32
Career Planning and Decision Making—page II-33
Resources—page II-45

Transparency Masters
Planning for Infusion—page II-35
Lesson Plan Format—page II-37

Instructional Methods
Minilecture
Small Group Activity
II-19
I. Introduction of Learning Experience

A. Indicate the purpose of the learning experience—to learn a process for developing infusion activities.

B. Mention that after a presentation on development of infused activities, participants will develop their own activities.

II. Infused versus Noninfused (Minilecture)

A. Simulate teaching the activity contained in the hand-out, "Noninfused Lesson." You are the teacher and the workshop participants are the students.

B. Simulate teaching the activity contained in the hand-out, "Infused Lesson."

C. Compare the two lessons with the participants. Make the following points:
   1. They teach the same language arts concept.
   2. The second one incorporates career information without taking time away from the teaching of a language arts skill.

D. Indicate that the sample lessons are simplistic but show an obvious use of infusion. (The lessons are simple since the activity is intended to show in a short time the use of infusion.)

III. Process of Development of Activities

A. Indicate that participants will now learn a process and a format for developing infusion activities. Mention that there are various formats that can be used, and that they may want to adapt what is presented to fit their needs.

B. Indicate that the process of infusion requires a few planning steps:
   1. Be aware of student career development outcomes for your grade level or subject area. (Refer to your district’s or state’s career development model.)

Distribute handouts "Non-infused Lesson" on page II-23 and "Infused Lesson" on page II-25. If you have other examples of noninfused and infused lessons to share, use them.

If your school or district has an established format, use it.

Show Transparency II.III.1—"Planning for Infusion"—found on page II-35.
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<td>3. Match an instructional objective with a career development outcome.</td>
<td>If you are using a different format, explain its components. worked on II-30.</td>
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<td>4. Plan an activity that combines the instructional objective and career objective.</td>
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<td>5. Determine a means for evaluating the activity.</td>
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<td>C. Present the format on the transparency and handout as one way of organizing information for an infused lesson plan.</td>
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<td>1. Title, grade level, and subject area are descriptive information.</td>
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<td>4. Time Requirement presents the amount of time it takes to conduct the lesson.</td>
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<td>5. Description of Activity outlines the events that occur with the students.</td>
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<td>6. Resources lists the various material, people, and space/equipment requirements beyond the normal classroom and teachers associated with the lesson.</td>
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<td>7. Evaluation describes how the teacher will determine the effectiveness of the lesson.</td>
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<td>D. Discuss questions or alternatives participants may have for the above format.</td>
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B. Ask each group to develop an infusion activity using the following:

1. The list of career development competencies presented in the handouts

2. Subject matter goals and objectives appropriate to their grade levels and subject areas

3. The format provided on the handout “Lesson Plan Format”

C. Have each small group report on its activity.

D. Discuss problems or concerns that arose as the groups developed their activities.

V. Wrap-Up

A. Indicate that the learning experience and the entire module have been an attempt to teach the idea of infusion.

B. Mention that in Modules IV through VI, they will learn various career-related concepts and will have opportunities to develop related activities to use in their classrooms.

Distribute handouts titled “Self,” “World of Work,” and “Career Planning and Decision Making,” found on pages II-31 through II-33.

Indicate that they can use the same ideas provided in Learning Experience II. The major purpose of this activity is to familiarize participants with the format.

Provide participants Resources on pages II-45–II-55.

Administer post-workshop portion of the “Competency Self-Assessment” found on page II-41 and the “Workshop Effectiveness” form, page II-42, if this module represents the end of your training session.
NONINFUSED LESSON

Subject — Language Arts
Grade Level — 8th

Instructional Objective — Given sentences with words and meanings, the students will define the meaning of the underlined word by using the context of the sentence.

Activity — Give students a worksheet containing sentences that include a noun with a descriptive phrase for that noun. The students will write a definition of the underlined noun.

WORKSHEET

Directions — Write a brief definition of the underlined noun using the words in the sentence as clues.

1. Sue used the protractor to measure the angle between two lines.

2. Julie looked through the porthole to see a view of the shoreline from the ship.

3. Sam watched the Hawaiian dancers do the hula.
INFUSED LESSON

Subject — Language Arts

Career Development Objective
— Given provided sentences, students will correctly define the basic tasks related to specific jobs.

Instructional Objective
— Given sentences with words and meanings, the student will define the meaning of the underlined word by using the context of the sentence.

Activity
— Give students a worksheet containing sentences that include a job title with a descriptive phrase of that job. The students will write a definition of the underlined job title.

WORKSHEET

Directions — Write a brief description of the underlined job title using the words in the sentences as clues.

1. The cartographer drew the map carefully.

2. Leonard’s uncle, an archeologist, classified the fossils as coming from the Paleozoic Era.

3. Mary’s mother felt that Mary should have her teeth straightened, so she sent her to an orthodontist.
SAMPLE LESSON PLAN

Title: A Move to the Mid-Atlantic States

Grade Level: 4

Subject Area: Social Studies

Lesson Goal: Students will relate life-styles and occupations in a section of the country to resources found in that part of the country.

Lesson Objective(s): (1) Students will list at least three major types of work available in the Northeast. (2) Students will write an essay comparing life-styles in the Northeast with those in the Midwest.

Time Requirement: 3-5 hours of instruction time.

Description of Activity: (1) Show a filmstrip depicting people and life in the Northeast. (2) Discuss the relationship of resources in the Northeast to the availability and variety of jobs and relate to individual life-styles. (3) Based on the filmstrips, have students write an essay describing the kinds of work people might perform in the Northeast and what their life-styles are like.

Resources:

Materials: Text, Exploring the Mid-Atlantic States; Filmstrip, Northeastern United States; road atlas; travel guide; city newspapers; Occupational Outlook Handbook

People: Ms. Mann, travel agent who has lived in Portland, Maine

Space/Equipment: Filmstrip projector

Evaluation: At least 75 percent of the students should accurately describe three occupations found in the Northeast and discuss the related life-styles. Accuracy should be based upon information presented in the material resources.
SAMPLE LESSON PLAN

Title: Skimming with the *Occupational Outlook Handbook (OOH)*—Career Awareness

Grade Level: 7-8

Subject Area: Special Class/Study Skills

Lesson Goal: Students will practice skills of skimming and scanning through using the *OOH*.

Lesson Objective(s): (1) Students will define orally skimming and scanning. (2) Students will scan the *OOH* index to find page describing an occupation of their choice. (3) Students will skim an article to find 5 facts about their chosen occupation.

Time Requirement: 1 class period.

Description of Activity: (1) Students have previously been given instruction in how to skim and scan and have been taught what the differences are. (2) Teacher will orally question the students on the definition and differences of skimming and scanning. (3) Students will be instructed to turn to the Index to Occupations in the *OOH* and will be told to scan the index till they find an interesting occupation. They will then write the page of that occupation in their notebooks. (4) Students will turn to the page of their chosen occupation and will skim the article to find one fact in each of the following categories: Nature of Work, Working Conditions, Training, Job Outlook, and Earnings. Students will list these facts in their notebooks.

Resources:

Materials: *OOH*, class notebooks

People: Classroom teacher

Space: Regular classroom

Evaluation: Each student will have met the objectives if he/she completes the assignment within the class period and he/she lists the facts with 100% accuracy.

Source: Ronnee MacDonald, Central Valley Middle School, Central Valley, NY.
SAMPLE LESSON PLAN

Title: What is an Art Director?

Grade Level: Senior High

Subject Area: Drawing/Illustration Class

Lesson Goal: To inform students in detail about the positions available in the commercial art agencies (graphics and design). Specifically an Art Director’s function and duties.

Lesson Objective(s): Students will be able to describe correctly the abilities of an Art Director. These abilities include: art skills, management, dealing with people (clients, workers, etc.), cost-accounting, copy-writing, salesmanship, and verbal skills (articulate).

Time Requirement: One week of 45 minute art periods or the equivalent.

Description of Activity: One student will serve as Art Director and devise an art project assignment from a theoretical client; direct and supervise the art class (bull pen) in the assignment, i.e., creation of a visual campaign for client.

Resources:

Materials: Sketch paper, colored magic markers, pencils, erasers, masking tape, type spec. books from printing houses

People: Instructor directs thrust of lessons; visiting Art Director from professional Art Agency visits for question/answer and “rap” session during last lesson of week. Also the director can show actual comps and finished art done by the agency for real clients.

Space/Equipment: Well equipped art room, triangles, rulers

Evaluation: Class discussion and critique with exchange of ideas. Show various solutions of assigned client job. The visiting Art Director is included as stated above under “people”.

Source: Ellen Barth, Monroe Woodbury School District, Central Valley, NY.
Title: Career Awareness

Grade Level: 6

Subject Area: Reading/Language Arts

Lesson Goal: Students will reinforce reading skills and learn about various occupations.

Lesson Objective(s): Following a worksheet with specific questions, the student will write a summary of a biography and present it orally to the class.

Time Requirement: 2 weeks

Description of Activity: The student will select and read a biography, complete a worksheet, and present a report to the class.

Resources:

Materials: Library book, teacher worksheet, class chart

Evaluation: Each student should be able to list the characteristics of the particular occupation described in their biography on a class chart displayed on a bulletin board. The characteristics include—nature of job, working conditions, training, and personal characteristics needed.

Worksheet

Name: 

Title of Book: 

Author: 

1. What was the major occupation of the person you selected?

2. What influenced the main character to select this career?

3. Was the main character influenced by parents, relatives, friends, or other associates? Tell how.

4. What qualities did the main character have that made him/her successful in this particular area?

5. How did the main character prepare for his/her job?
6. What do you think made this person successful at his/her job? Did he/she affect other people?

7. If you had a choice, would you choose this career? Why or why not?

Source: Josephine Joyce, Central Valley Elementary School, Central Valley, NY.
LESSON PLAN FORMAT

Title:

Grade Level:

Lesson Goal:

Lesson Objective(s):
   A. Career Development:
   B. Instructional:

Time Requirement:

Description of Activity:

Resources:
   Materials:

People:

Space/Equipment:

Evaluation:
SELF—How individuals perceive themselves in relation to their individual characteristics and their relations with others within their environment.

The following are suggested competencies students should possess in relation to the components of the above model.

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<th>Individual Characteristics</th>
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<td>K-3</td>
<td>Be aware of possible disagreement of his/her perceptions and those of others.</td>
<td>Begin to be aware of his/her abilities.</td>
<td>Be able to differentiate self from others.</td>
<td>Be aware of his/her environment.</td>
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<td>4-6</td>
<td>Begin to develop an understanding of those disagreements that exist.</td>
<td>Begin to explore his/her abilities.</td>
<td>Describe how he/she resembles and differs from others.</td>
<td>Explore the environment.</td>
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<td>7-9</td>
<td>Attempt to eliminate discrepancies between own and others' perceptions of him/herself.</td>
<td>Relate his/her abilities to career planning.</td>
<td>Understand why people are unique.</td>
<td>Relate the self to the environment.</td>
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<td>10-12</td>
<td>Attempt to bring together discrepancies between real and perceived self.</td>
<td>Formulate career expectations that are consistent with abilities.</td>
<td>Accept uniqueness of individuals (including self).</td>
<td>Reality test his/her role in the environment.</td>
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The following are suggested competencies students should possess in relation to world-of-work understanding.

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<td>Develop an awareness that occupations differ.</td>
<td>Develop an awareness that individuals work to meet needs.</td>
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<td>Develop an understanding of purposes of work.</td>
<td>Develop an understanding of clusters of occupations.</td>
<td>Develop an understanding of how work meets needs.</td>
<td>Develop an understanding that change is continuous.</td>
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<td>Explore, rank, and value purposes of work.</td>
<td>Explore occupations within clusters.</td>
<td>Explore the relationship between work and individual needs.</td>
<td>Experience (through simulation) change.</td>
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<td>Affirm own purposes for work.</td>
<td>Make tentative occupational choice.</td>
<td>Identify tentative work life style.</td>
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PLANNING FOR INFUSION

KNOW STUDENT CAREER DEVELOPMENT OUTCOMES OR OBJECTIVES

KNOW INSTRUCTIONAL OBJECTIVES

MATCH CAREER AND INSTRUCTIONAL OBJECTIVES

PLAN ACTIVITY THAT COMBINES THE TWO OBJECTIVES

DEVELOP EVALUATION METHOD
LESSON PLAN FORMAT

Title:

Grade Level: Subject Area:

Lesson Goal:

Lesson Objective(s):

A. Career Development:

B. Instructional:

Time Requirement:

Description of Activity:

Resources:

Materials
People
Space/Equipment

Evaluation:
EVALUATION TECHNIQUES

Prior to the workshop, the instructor should administer the Competency Self-Assessment (pre-workshop) to determine how competent the participants think they are in the topics to be taught. The Competency Self-Assessment (post-workshop) is to administered again at the end of the workshop to identify the level of competency growth. The instructor also should make specific observations during the workshop activities to measure attainment of the performance objectives. An additional instrument is designed to obtain data on the effectiveness of the workshop techniques.

The following questionnaires relate to this module. When more than one module is being taught, the instructor can develop a comprehensive pre-workshop and post-workshop competency self-assessment that addresses the modules used.
ASSESSING PARTICIPANTS' MASTERY OF PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

The instructor's outline suggests activities that require written or oral responses. The following list of performance indicators will assist you in assessing the quality of the participants' work.

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COMPETENCY SELF-ASSESSMENT

Directions: For each competency statement that follows, assess your present competency. For each competency statement, circle one letter that best states your current competence by the scale defined below.

COMPETENCE SCALE

Assess your present knowledge or skill in terms of the following competency statements:

a. Very competent: My capabilities are developed sufficiently to perform this competency and to teach it to other people.

b. Competent: I possess most of the capabilities required to perform this competency but I cannot teach it to other people.

c. Minimally competent. I have a few of the capabilities required to perform this competency.

d. Not competent: I cannot perform this competency.

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WORKSHOP EFFECTIVENESS—MODULE II

NAME (Optional) ________________________________ TITLE ________________________________

INSTITUTION __________________________________________________________________________

ADDRESS ______________________________________________________________________________

TELEPHONE ____________________________________________

1. To what extent were the materials, processes, and organizational aspects of the module successfully used in the presentation and delivery of the module? For those materials, processes, or organizational aspects that you marked as "slightly successful," provide brief comments as to how they might be improved.

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2. Indicate those aspects of the module that you liked most and those that you liked least.

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3. SUGGESTIONS: Please provide suggestions or comments that you have for improving the workshop, workshop materials, and so on.
RESOURCES

The materials listed below provide additional information on how to infuse career development concepts into the curriculum. ERIC numbers are listed for some documents if they are entered into the Educational Resource Information Clearinghouse.


This report presents strategies and ideas for elementary teachers who want to infuse career-related principles into their existing basic skills curriculum (language arts and mathematics). One section of the document describes the components necessary in planning career information concepts.

**South Burlington Career Education Training Modules.** South Burlington School District, South Burlington, Vermont, 1980. ED 190 794

This document serves as a training model for the implementation of career education. The six models contained in the document include guidelines for inservice programs and workshops, handouts, transparencies, and reference materials. An introduction to career education presents the concept to educators and community persons by establishing the need, defining terms, and clarifying student outcomes. Grade level or content area activities acquaint teachers with career education concepts and methods to (1) integrate them into existing curricula, and (2) examine materials and prepare curricula and career education goals within a school and/or school district. The community career education extension service includes "Parent Coffees," which explains how to organize small meetings in neighborhood homes to include parents in career education programs. "College Introduction to Career Education" is for students, potential teachers, and other interested community members. "Interview Workshop" is a core workshop on techniques for interviewing local business personnel and their relationship to curriculum. A design for career education ensures a comprehensive continuum for career education activities. It includes an implementation strategy for K-12 and describes the division of responsibilities for administrators, department chairpersons, guidance personnel, and teachers.

**Career Education Inservice Training Workshops: Structure and Format.** Burnis Hall, Jr., Wayne State University, College of Education, Detroit, Michigan.

The Detroit Urban Career Education Project served two inner-city regions with a combined student population of over fifty thousand. These regions were involved in a K-12 career education curriculum project designed to deliver the Michigan Career Education Model. The project provided school staff with the knowledge, skills, and
commitment necessary for infusing career development concepts into the curriculum. The initial inservice training, involving approximately 150 teachers, counselors, and administrators, was held during the summer of 1978 and was designed to provide them with the knowledge and skills they would need to implement career education in their classrooms.

During the 1978-79 school year, when the career education lessons and units were being implemented, approximately thirty weekly inservice workshops were conducted to help school staff continue development and refinement of the lessons and units. In all, approximately 300 teachers, counselors, and administrators from fourteen elementary, middle, and high schools participated in the inservice training workshops. This document includes a description of the program structure, workshop goals, and workshop objectives.


The major portion of this publication contains career education infusion strategies. However, sections are devoted to defining career education and suggesting roles and functions for those individuals involved in the teaching/learning process. Also, career education goals and teaching points, evaluation, and teaching methods are addressed.

Project FOCUS. Methods and Materials for Training Career Final Report. Harold S. Resnick and others, Boston University, School of Education, Boston, Massachusetts.

This document reports on program methods and materials for training career educators (Project FOCUS). The project accomplished three major objectives: (1) to identify, select, and provide inservice career awareness staff development training for elementary school teachers; (2) to design, develop, and evaluate a replicable, exportable, and practical staff development training manual that can be used to train personnel to implement elementary school career education programs; and (3) to research the effectiveness of the career awareness training manual and to validate the efficiency of matching teacher variables to training procedures. Developmental, managerial, and evaluative activities were conducted at Boston University, School of Education. Four field-site school systems in eastern Massachusetts were utilized. At these sites, eighty elementary school education personnel received comprehensive career awareness inservice training. This training concentrated on classroom curriculum infusion strategies. The inservice component not only delivered direct services to these educators, but served as the field-test segment for the development of the training manual.

The training manual is divided into twelve chapters. The first chapter provides an overview of the Project FOCUS manual. The second chapter provides a general introduction to career education. Chapter 3 describes eight elements of career education (self-awareness, career awareness, appreciations and attitudes, educational awareness, economic awareness, decision-making skills, skill awareness and beginning competence, and employability skills). Chapter 4 maps out the relationship of career education to the school curriculum. Chapter 5 presents strategies for infusing career awareness into the school curriculum. Chapter 6 discusses role-playing as an instructional strategy. Guidelines for developing learning activity centers for career awareness are presented in chapter 7. Chapter 8 explains how to use community resources for career education. Chapter 9 provides guidelines for preparing career education instructional units. Evaluating career education
Chapter 10 addresses the role and function of school personnel in career education. Finally, chapter 12 provides information and resource materials regarding the evaluation of Project FOCUS.


The major goals of this project were (1) to provide high school staff members with an understanding of the process of infusing career education into the curriculum and the capability of applying it in daily classroom lessons, (2) to develop materials suitable for use in the process of infusing career education into the high school curriculum, and (3) to provide high school students with a curriculum infused with career education concepts and skills. Thirty-two senior high school staff members were trained in the career development phase of the Michigan Model of Career Education. In examining the specific objectives of the major goals, a third-party evaluator found that 223 of the expected 360 examples were written; students did not demonstrate an increase in self-awareness; and students did not demonstrate increased knowledge of careers. The third-party evaluator also found that training was provided for project teachers, criteria for infusion examples were established, and a slide-tape presentation was completed.


The K-12 Urban Career Education Infusion Project of the Dallas Independent School District focused on fourteen schools located in a predominantly black community. Conducted in two phases, the project attempted to demonstrate that through infusing career education into the existing curriculum, trained teachers can influence academic achievement of students. Specific activities of the first year included the following: (1) a comprehensive needs assessment; (2) inservice training for 25 percent of the school staff; (3) curriculum modules to be infused into the existing curricula; (4) materials to increase community awareness and involvement in the schools; and (5) a comprehensive evaluation design for the second phase of the project. For the needs assessment, a 10 percent random sample stratified by grade was used to obtain data from students in grades K-6, all elementary teachers were surveyed. Other surveys included all educators in the fourteen experimental schools, intact community groups, and principals. Participants in the fifteen staff development workshops were included in the staff development evaluation, and project staff members provided necessary information for the evaluation of the curriculum identification/development effort and implementation procedures.


Career education staff development activities were conducted in three phases: (1) staff development for college and university faculties; (2) program development for teacher, counselor, and administrator preparation; and (3) teacher certification and training program accreditation. Project management, staff development, program implementation, and teacher certification/program accreditation were examined by
three types of evaluation activities: self-evaluation, user evaluation, and third-party evaluation. Selected evaluation findings include the following: (1) positive changes in perceptions toward career education were minimal among college/university staff; (2) project need was well documented and activities were in line with identified needs; (3) the project assisted higher education and related agencies to interact by providing focus and task orientation; (4) project functions constituted a system of facilitating career education personnel development; (5) project slippage points were identified and adjusted; and (6) information flow was primarily from project central office staff to individual campuses, with little flow among campuses. Recommendations were made to improve further project efforts.


Ten of the twenty education service centers (ESC) that provide instructional and technical services to the local school district in Texas were asked to participate in a project designed to demonstrate infusion and management techniques in career education. Activities were accomplished under the following objectives: (1) establish the transportability of the curriculum writing process utilized during the project’s first year by developing, in a two-day workshop, the level of competence necessary for participating personnel to train teachers in their respective regions; (2) generate at least one infused career education learning model for each teacher participating in a series of workshops held in ten ESC regions (a total of 615 modules were written, 86 percent of which met or exceeded the established criteria for utility); (3) develop a two-day workshop to train ESC career education coordinators and instructional coordinators in techniques to implement career education at the local education agency level (training and interim consultation were rated as excellent); (4) determine the efficacy of sample learning modules by testing these modules in a demonstration school and by measuring student development prior to and during instruction (substantial student gains were indicated); (5) disseminate the infused career education learning modules; and (6) coordinate the activities of all organizations and agencies involved in the project so that objectives and activities can be efficiently identified, planned, and implemented.


The project was designed to develop, field test, and publish a career infusion unit curriculum for grades 1-12. Students at one project school, two transport schools, and a comparison school formed the study sample. A third party evaluated the accomplishments of objectives for the following program components: instruction, staff development, parent-community, guidance, evaluation, project management, and curriculum development. The one project and two transport groups exceeded the comparison group’s scores on the English section of the comprehensive test of basic skills. Second-year students scored significantly higher than first-year students on the attitude section and two parts (knowing about jobs and choosing a job) of a career maturity inventory. The report contains curriculum materials for the following areas: English Literature II, English Composition II, Algebra I, World History, Essentials of Composition, Geometry, U.S. History, Civics, Senior Math, English Composition—Advanced, and spelling/vocabulary. Materials contain curriculum concepts and objectives, career concepts and objectives, activities, and resources.

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This document presents one locale's way of successfully implementing a career education activity, the results of which are educationally significant. The project is described in terms of project overview, program development, materials and activities, parent and community involvement, staffing and management, costs, evidence of effectiveness, and conclusions. In this report of career education responsiveness to every student, the ultimate goals are stated as follows: (1) infuse career education concepts into the elementary and secondary curriculum, and (2) develop an articulated curriculum that provides for student attainment of career education goals. The primary subjects are identified as approximately forty-two hundred students in grades K-12, and the evaluation design is described as a pre-post treatment and control group design.

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and teachers in the field. Conclusions are drawn concerning the strengths and weaknesses of the program, and recommendations are made regarding modifications for the proposed third year.

**Career Education Staff Development Guide for Teachers.** Robbinsdale Independent School District 281, Robbinsdale, Minnesota.

The materials for a career development program for infusing career education concepts into elementary or high school curriculum are presented in this staff development guide. The text is arranged around four phases involved in implementing a career education program. Phase I (Why) contains excerpts of four documents relating to change in education and career education. Phase 2 (What) presents data that define the concept of career education, and it discusses seven models to aid the teacher in understanding and implementing this process in practical applications in the school. Phase 3 (How) offers approaches and strategies in the development of units and activities, including career development and success-oriented education; in writing units in career education; in varied application of career clustering; in varied techniques for the career interview; in field trip outline; in career education objectives, K-12; in using resource people; in the infusion process, conditions, criteria, and sample materials for evaluation; in projects and activities in career guidance practices for teachers and counselors; in the career education information center; and in objectives and a matrix for a career workshop. Phase 4 (Planning) offers an outline of areas that should be considered by the planning committee for implementing a career development program.

**Developing Career Education Units. A How-To Guide.** Beckham Caudill, Kentucky Valley Educational Cooperative, Hazard, Kentucky.

Intended as a guide to instruct teachers how to write career education units for their students, this booklet briefly explains how to incorporate subject area objectives with career education objectives in six steps. A sample unit is included as a reference, and there is a discussion of five major problems that teachers may encounter during the development.


Part of a thirteen-volume series designed to be used as a group inservice or a self-learning system to train school administrators and counselors for their roles in career education. The first section of this module is designed to assist principals and other school administrators to develop plans for curriculum preparation and infusion of career education. Others deal with planning for resource allocation, for scheduling, and for community involvement. This module contains three lessons with activities and readings. Lesson 1 is concerned with the scope and sequence of the curriculum planning and how administrators can utilize it; a portion is devoted to assisting teachers to participate in the school-level planning of career education activities. In Lesson 2, five examples are presented to illustrate the infusion concept and process. Issues addressed in Lesson 3 include sex role stereotypes, values determination, sex stereotypes in the classroom, sex discrimination in schools, teacher attitudes and values, and the role of values in career education. A bibliography of periodical literature on values in career education is included.
Career Education Implementation Model for Classroom Teachers, Bulletin 1980, No. 35. 
Alabama State Department of Education, Division of Instructional Services, Montgomery, AL, 1980. ED 219 558

Developed for classroom teachers in Alabama, this implementation model is intended to provide a stimulus for infusing career education activities and goals into classroom subject areas. It begins with a matrix showing the goals of career education. An explanation follows of the seven goals (self-awareness, educational awareness, career awareness, economic awareness, decision making, skills and competencies, and attitudes and appreciations), objectives and expected outcomes. Section 2 discusses teacher preparation and lists six steps recommended for teachers to use in implementing career education in classroom instruction. Section 3 briefly describes recommended methods of implementation. Guidelines for career education program evaluation are provided in Section 4 in the form of checklists relating to the goals of career education. The final section lists 91 ideas for application of the career education concepts.


Career education should be part of every subject area on every grade level, from kindergarten through graduate school. Its components—self-awareness, educational awareness, career awareness, and curriculum infusion—can be included in language classes through special activities gleaned from career books, newspapers, and magazines; through judicious use of the regular classroom text; and by using the ancillary texts recommended. Important career activities described here include a career day and school and classroom bulletin boards for career information. Motivating activities are suggested for improving students’ speaking, reading, and writing skills. Three texts dealing specifically with careers in foreign languages are mentioned, as well as a number of foreign language texts with information on numerous careers, which can be used in language and/or conversation courses at various levels. There is a sizable appendix containing an annotated bibliography, guidelines for conducting a career day, and activities for each of the four aspects of career education. Some materials are given in both Spanish and English.


Materials are provided to help teachers effectively acquaint students with the range of career opportunities in physical education, sport, and related areas and to offer insight into the process of weaving career education concepts into programs of physical education. An overview of the goals for career education from elementary school through secondary school is presented. Teaching suggestions for curriculum activities infusing career education into existing physical education and sport programs are outlined. Ideas are offered which have a broad application to the total physical education program, and suggestions are made which represent a unit rather than a class activities approach. A process is given by which students can assess their interest in career options in physical education, and an annotated bibliography containing resources for physical educators and students is included.

This handbook is designed to assist persons assigned to lead staff development activities in school districts that are committed to implementing and expanding career education programs and activities. The handbook contains a collection of activities and resources that can be used in master trainer workshops with administrators, teachers, counselors, resource specialists, aides, parents, students, and community representatives. The first of three major sections in the handbook presents a workshop planning guide. Focusing on the workshop process, Section 2 presents guidelines for the six activities included in the Master Trainer Workshop Participants Packet. Activity titles include (1) Definition of Career Education, (2) Career Education Goals, (3) Elimination of Bias and Stereotyping, (4) Infusion of Career Education, (5) Community Involvement, and (6) Action Plan. For each activity, the following information is provided: objectives, time, evaluation methods, topic, trainer strategies, and resource references. The final section focuses on the follow-up process and contains an interview form.


This K-6 career awareness curriculum model is composed of a variety of activities that reading/language arts teachers can use to infuse career awareness into their instructional units. The activities are divided into eight topical sections: (1) Dictionary Skills, (2) Oral Communication, (3) Written Expression, (4) Comprehension, (5) Reference Skills, (6) Newspaper, (7) Grammar, and (8) Listening Skills. For each activity listed, the following information is provided: materials/resources needed, level (primary or intermediate), type (entire class or individual), time, instructional objective, procedures, student activity sheet, supplementary resources, and followup activities.


This K-6 career awareness curriculum model is composed of a variety of activities that social studies teachers can use to infuse career awareness into their instructional units. The activities are divided into eight topical sections: (1) Self, (2) Family, (3) Friends, (4) School, (5) Community, (6) Geography, (7) Government, and (8) History. For each activity listed, the following information is provided: materials/resources, level (primary or intermediate), type (entire class or individual), time, instructional objective, procedures, student activity sheet, supplementary resources, and followup activities.


This K-6 career awareness curriculum model is composed of a variety of activities that mathematics teachers can use to infuse career awareness into their instructional units. The activities are divided into eight topical sections: (1) Economic Principles, (2) Numeration, (3) Measurement, (4) Decimals, (5) Graphs/Fractions, (6) Time, (7) Estimation, and (8) Money Application. For each activity listed, the following information is provided: materials/resources, level (primary or intermediate), type (entire class or individual), time, instructional objective, procedures, student activity sheet, supplementary resources, and followup activities.

This sampler is the product of the Career/Vocational Development Student Profile Project conducted in New Jersey in 1979-80. The purpose of the project was to field test the Career/Vocational Development K-14 Goal Matrix to see whether the goals, objectives, and indicators are realistic and appropriate for the age/grade levels they represent, and to determine whether a teacher could teach to any given indicator as an integral part of the regular classroom instruction. The sampler is made up of lessons or modules suggested and developed by more than 300 teachers and counselors; each can be used as is or adapted to a particular classroom situation. The ideas are meant to aid the teacher in infusing or integrating career-related concepts into the academic, pre-vocational, and vocational settings in order to meet the career development needs of students. The activities in this publication are intended for the K-3 level, and include games, puzzles, and pages to be reproduced and handed out. Each lesson is categorized by subject area competency, skills, and the career development objective of the 10 career development goals to which it relates. (Career development goals, as stated in the matrix, cover the following topics: self-awareness, interpersonal skills, decision making, work habits and attitudes, communication and computation skills, career implications of school subject matter, socio-technological-economic-political understanding, career information, marketable skills and adaptability, and leisure preferences and personal responsibilities.) For each lesson or activity, content, methods, resources, and evaluation items are suggested.


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Career Education Competency Checklist for the Learning Handicapped. Dayton Gillem, Riverside County Superintendent of Schools, Riverside, CA, 1982. ED 216 197

This checklist is intended for use by teachers in identifying student competency levels as they pertain to the developmental process of career education while indentifying special areas requiring additional teaching concentration. It can direct teachers in infusing of career education concepts into their developed classroom curriculum or aid in planning and implementing the career education component of the student's individualized education plan. The 10 "Goal Statements for Career Education" developed by the California State Department of Education serve as the distribution basis for the specific career education competencies included in the checklist. These 10 goal statements are categorized and assigned to one of the four basic developmental stages of the career education learning process: awareness (self-awareness, occupational awareness, attitude development, educational awareness, economic awareness), orientation (consumer competencies, career orientation), exploration (career planning and decision making, career exploration), and preparation (career preparation). One other category is also included—basic survival skills (basic life and survival skills). To use the checklist, the teacher signifies which career education competencies the student is felt to have already obtained by marking the appropriate grade level column on that page of the checklist.


This guide provides descriptions of 33 promising practices in career education in Massachusetts, which represent a cross-section of geographical locations, student populations,
and program components. It is designed for use by school administrators, guidance personnel, teachers, and community members who are looking for suggestions on how to implement, revise, or augment career education programs in their schools. The programs described provide for curriculum infusion, staff development, community collaboration, career guidance, resource centers, and services to special populations. The guide is divided into four sections including an introduction. Section 2 covers the specific program descriptions which are subdivided by these grade levels: comprehensive (K-12), elementary, middle-junior high, high school, and combined junior-senior high. Each description contains this information: objectives, program emphasis, description of activities, planning procedures, staffing, training, advice and suggestions from project directors, materials (when available), and contact person. Section 3, on planning and implementing career education programs, is a brief summary of suggestions and advice solicited from program directors. Part 4, the geographical index, is a guide to locating programs within specific geographical areas.
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INTRODUCTION

A major purpose of this training package is to facilitate better teacher and student use of the *Occupational Outlook Handbook (OOH)*. This module helps workshop participants understand the organization of the *OOH* and why it is important to teach occupational information. In the first learning experience, the participants become familiar with specific sections of the *OOH* through a large group presentation and small group activities. They also learn about other sources of occupational information. In the second learning experience participants discuss the need to teach occupational information at all grade levels. In small groups, participants identify ways in which they can use *OOH* information.

**CATEGORY:** Introductory

**KEY CONCEPTS:**

1. The *Occupational Outlook Handbook* contains information that can be incorporated into the curriculum.

2. It is necessary for students to receive occupational information.

**COMPETENCIES:** After completion of this unit, workshop participants (teachers of various subjects) will be better able to—

1. locate specific information within the *Occupational Outlook Handbook*,

2. identify reasons why it is important to incorporate occupational information into their curricula, and

3. give examples of how the information contained in the *Occupational Outlook Handbook* can be incorporated into their curricula.
LEARNING EXPERIENCE I

HOW THE OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK HANDBOOK IS ORGANIZED

KEY CONCEPT: The Occupational Outlook Handbook contains information that can be incorporated into the curriculum.

COMPETENCY: Workshop participants will be better able to locate specific information within the Occupational Outlook Handbook.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE: Workshop participants will correctly answer at least 80 percent of the questions on a worksheet related to the structure and organization of the Occupational Outlook Handbook.

OVERVIEW: The purpose of this learning experience is to increase workshop participants’ awareness of the content of the Occupational Outlook Handbook (OOH) and how it is organized. The instructor presents the major sections of the OOH; then, participants locate information in it. There also is a brief presentation on other federally funded occupational information resources.

INSTRUCTOR’S INFORMATION:

| Time Estimate | 45 to 60 minutes |
| Workshop Resources | Occupational Outlook Handbook (one for each participant) |
| | Handout Questions from the OOH—page III-11 |
| | Transparency Master Major Components of the OOH—page III-13 |
| Instructional Methods | Minilecture Handout Exercise Group Discussion |
### Instructor's Outline

**I. Introduction of the Learning Experience**

A. Explain the purpose of the activity—to make participants aware of the organization of the *Occupational Outlook Handbook (OOH).*

B. Indicate that the group will explore generally the contents of the *OOH*; then, the participants will use it.

**II. Sources of Occupational Information (Minilecture)**

A. Indicate that prior to the discussion of the *OOH,* there will be a brief presentation of other sources of occupational information.

B. Mention the following:

1. The U.S. Department of Labor develops many publications that contain occupational information.

2. Besides the *OOH,* the most common documents include the following:

   *Dictionary of Occupational Titles (D.O.T.)*, which identifies, defines, and classifies over twenty thousand occupations. Each definition includes a nine-digit code, the primary industry in which the occupation is found, alternative names by which the job is known, and a list of the most common job tasks. The *D.O.T.* coding system is often used as a cross-referencing device in other documents, including the *OOH.*

   The *Guide for Occupational Exploration* is designed to assist individuals in using occupational and labor market information more effectively in making career decisions. The user is programmed through a series of steps that guide one through the process of occupational choice. The guide’s descriptive content is based on major groupings of occupations (e.g., social services, sports). Information relates more to similarities among grouped occupations than to individual occupational differences. Specific content

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**Notes**

If appropriate, administer the "Competency Self-Assessment" (pre-workshop) page III-21.

It would be useful if you could obtain copies of documents described in this section.

The other documents are not discussed in more detail because only the *OOH* is the focus of this training guide.
III. What Is the Occupational Outlook Handbook?

A. Provide background on the OOH.


2. For four decades the Bureau of Labor Statistics has conducted research on employment in occupations and industries for use in vocational guidance.

3. It is revised every two years.

4. The OOH provides the reader with current and comprehensive information about work today and job prospects for tomorrow.

5. Information is obtained from business firms, trade associations, labor unions, professional societies, research organizations, educational institutions, and government agencies.

Be sure participants have copies of the OOH to review during the activity, or make copies of appropriate pages.

If participants want additional information about the development of the OOH, contact the labor market analyst for your region through your Job Service office.
Instructor's Outline

B. Explain the structure of the *OOH*. Give an overview and indicate that participants will have more hands-on experience with the *OOH* soon. Ask participants to turn to each section as it is referenced.

1. "How to Get the Most from the Handbook" describes strategies for using the *OOH* and details the type of information provided for each occupation.

2. "Where to Go for More Information" suggests sources of information on (1) careers, (2) education and training, (3) financial aid, (4) career counseling for special groups, (5) finding a job, and (6) the labor market.

3. "Tomorrow's Jobs" discusses expected changes in the population and the labor force, as well as employment projections for major industrial sectors and broad occupational groups.

4. "Assumptions and Methods Used in Preparing Employment Projections" briefly presents how the quantitative estimates were obtained for making occupational employment projections.

5. "Occupations," the major section of the *OOH*, presents 19 occupational clusters. At the start of each cluster section there is a brief description of the cluster, and then the individual occupations are represented. The format for each cluster is the same. At the end of each cluster section is a list titled "Other . . . Occupations" which gives the title, definition, employment and projected growth for additional occupations included in that cluster.

6. "Dictionary of Occupational Titles (D.O.T.) Index" provides a listing of the D.O.T. number, the S.O.C. (Standard Occupational Classification) code, the D.O.T. title, and the page in the *OOH* on which the occupation is presented. This index shows the interrelationships of the different occupational coding systems.

You will need to review the current edition of *OOH* to identify appropriate pages to reference. Show transparency III.1.1 found on page III.13 and reveal each component when discussed.
7. The "Index to Occupations" lists in alphabetical order the occupations presented in the OOH.

IV. Exploring the Occupational Outlook Handbook (Handout Exercise)

A. Divide participants into groups of two and ask them to complete the worksheet "Questions from the OOH."

B. After participants have completed the worksheet, ask volunteers to provide the answer to each question and discuss how answers were determined.

The correct answers are presented below.

1. Sample answer:
   SOICC Director
   New York Department of Labor
   Labor Department Building No. 12
   State Campus, Room 559A
   Albany, NY 12240

   (A list of SOICC directors is contained in the section "Where to Get More Information.")

2. South (20.0 percent) and West (23.9 percent)
   (In "Tomorrow's Jobs," the discussion on population describes regional differences.)

3. Teachers, librarians, and counselors
   (The Table of Contents lists kindergarten and elementary school teachers under this occupational cluster title.)

4. Page 78 (You obtain this answer by referring to the Index to Occupations, which lists geographers.)

5. Architects, city managers, and planning engineers
   (These occupations are listed under "Related Occupations." The pages that describe urban and regional planner can be located by looking in either the Table of Contents or the Index to Occupations.)

Distribute the handout found on page III-11—"Questions from the OOH."

The answers provided were obtained from the 1984-85 edition of the OOH. Check your edition of the OOH and make necessary changes. If a question on the handout does not reflect information on your OOH, eliminate the question or rework it.
6. Chemical engineer
   (The "Dictionary of Occupational Titles (D.O.T.) Index," presents the D.O.T. numbers in numerical order with the titles beside them.)

7. Kindergarten and elementary teachers: Almost 1.4 million (Each occupational description contains a section on "Employment." Look in the "Contents" or the "Index to Occupations" to find the page number of the occupational statement sought, then look for the "Employment" section.) Adult education teachers: 125,000 (At the end of each occupational cluster in the OOH is a list of "Other . . . Occupations" where information on additional occupations included in the cluster can be found. Look at the end of "Teachers, Librarians and Counselors" for adult education teachers.)

8. Employment is projected to increase 50 percent or more. (See the chart in the "Job Outlook" section of "How to Get the Most From the Handbook.")

9. D.O.T. 252-157-010
   (The D.O.T. number is listed under each occupational title prior to the discussion of the occupation.)

10. American Medical Record Association
    John Hancock Center, Suite 1850
    875 N. Michigan Avenue
    Chicago, IL 60611
    (This address is listed under Source of Additional Information.)

   C. Ask participants to indicate by a show of hands how many questions they answered correctly.

   D. (Optional) Award the highest scorer(s) with a token prize (e.g., piece of gum, candy, pencil).

   E. Ask participants if they have any questions on the organization of the Occupational Outlook Handbook.
V. The OOH and You (Group Discussion)

A. Ask participants to think of an occupation they have always dreamed of pursuing.

B. Instruct participants to find the occupation in the OOH and read its description.

C. Ask a few participants to report on a surprising fact that they discovered about their "dream" occupation.

VI. Wrap-Up

A. Indicate that the OOH is a valuable source of occupational information

B. Mention that in the next learning experience participants will consider further the use of occupational information.
QUESTIONS FROM THE OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK HANDBOOK (OOH)

1. What is the address for the State Occupational Information Coordinating Committee in your state?

2. According to the current edition of the OOH, what are the two fastest growing sections of the United States?

   __________________________
   __________________________
   What was the percentage of growth for each? __________________________

3. To which occupational cluster do kindergarten and elementary school teachers belong?

4. On what page of the OOH is there a description of geographers?

5. What are the related occupations for urban and regional planners?

6. Which occupation has the D.O.T. number 008.061 and the S.O.C. code 1626?

7. What does the OOH report as the number of people employed as kindergarten and elementary school teachers?

   Adult education teachers?

8. If the job outlook statement says that employment in an occupation is expected to grow "much faster than average," what is the projected long-term growth rate for that occupation?

9. What is the D.O.T. number for travel agents?

10. What address would you write to if you want more information about Health Record Technicians?
MAJOR COMPONENTS OF THE OOH

Contents

How to Get the Most from the Handbook

Where to Go for More Information

Tomorrow’s Jobs

Assumptions and Methods Used in Preparing Employment Projections

Occupations

Dictionary of Occupational Titles (D.O.T.) Index

Index to Occupations
IMPORTANCE OF OCCUPATIONAL INFORMATION

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It is important for students to receive occupational information.

COMPETENCIES: Workshop participants will be better able to—

1. identify reasons why it is important to incorporate occupational information into their curricula; and

2. give examples of how the information contained in the *Occupational Outlook Handbook* can be incorporated into their curricula.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: After a group discussion, the workshop participants will be able to list at least two reasons for providing occupational information to students.

After a small group discussion, workshop participants will be able to list at least two ways in which information contained in the *Occupational Outlook Handbook* can be presented to students.

OVERVIEW: The purpose of this learning experience is to make participants aware of why and how occupational information should be taught. After a warm-up exercise, the group discusses the importance of providing occupational information to all students (K-12). Then, participants work in small groups to determine how they can present occupational information to students.

INSTRUCTOR'S INFORMATION:

<p>| Time Estimate | 45-60 minutes |
| Workshop Resources | <em>Occupational Outlook Handbook</em> Blank sheets of paper (one for each participant) |
| Handout Resources | page III-25 |
| Instructional Methods | Group Discussion Small Group Activity |
| Optional Activity | Career Line Warm-up Activity (Participant Exercise)—Page III-16 III-15 |</p>
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<td>C. Ask participants to make a slash on the line to indicate each time they have made some type of career choice (e.g., tentative or permanent, realistic or unrealistic).</td>
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<td>D. Invite several participants to share their career line with the group. (Be sure that at least one person describes a career choice made prior to age ten years.)</td>
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If your workshop participants completed the career line activity in Module II, make reference to it.

Be sure each participant has a blank sheet of paper and a writing instrument.
III. Why Teach Occupational Information? (Group Discussion)

A. Initiate a discussion about why occupational information should be taught. If necessary, ask starter questions such as the following:

- What would an elementary (middle or senior high) school student gain from occupational information?
- If occupational information is provided in elementary school, should additional information be provided in high school? Why?
- How would the information for a high school student differ from that given to a middle school student?
- Are there any reasons for not presenting occupational information to a primary student? If so, what are they and how could they be addressed?

B. Summarize the responses and highlight the following ideas:

- Accurate occupational information is a necessary component of career decision making.
- The community can be thought of as the labor market. Students need appropriate information regarding the occupations required within that labor market.
- Students at all grade levels are interested in the world of work and what it involves.
- As students mature and begin to explore specific careers, the level of information they need will increase and require more detail.

IV. How the OOH Can Be Used (Small Group Activity)

A. Indicate to participants that they will be identifying ways in which they can use the Occupational Outlook Handbook with their students.

B. Divide the participants into small groups of two to three persons each. Attempt to make the groups as homogeneous as possible (e.g., by subject and grade level).
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C. Ask the groups to scan the OOH and determine ways in which occupational information can be used in their classrooms.

1. Secondary teachers can provide the OOH as a resource to their students.

2. Elementary teachers will have to use the OOH as a resource for themselves and translate the information for their students.

D. Have the groups report back on their ideas for using the OOH.

E. Summarize the exercise by pointing out the value of all ideas; stress those that are most useful for infusion activities.

V. Wrap-Up

A. Reemphasize the importance of imparting occupational information to students at all grade levels and in all subject areas.

B. Indicate that participants should now have a better understanding of the Occupational Outlook Handbook and how it can be used with students.

C. Mention that in Modules I and II all aspects of career development knowledge were presented. However, the use of occupational information will be the emphasis in the remaining modules.

D. Module III presented an introduction to the OOH and an opportunity to become familiar with how it is organized. The following modules will explore concepts used in the OOH to provide an understanding of how it can be used in the classroom.

Be sure each group has at least one copy of the OOH.

List the ideas on the chalkboard or large sheets of paper.

Administer “Competency Self-Assessment” (post-workshop) on page III-21 and “Workshop Effectiveness” form on page III-22 (if appropriate).
Prior to the workshop, the instructor should administer the Competency Self-Assessment (pre-workshop) to determine how competent the participants think they are in the topics to be taught. The Competency Self-Assessment (post-workshop) is to be administered again at the end of the workshop to identify the level of competency growth. The instructor also should make specific observations during the workshop activities to measure attainment of the performance objectives. An additional instrument is designed to obtain data on the effectiveness of the workshop techniques.

The following questionnaires relate to this module. When more than one module is being taught, the instructor can develop a comprehensive pre-workshop and post-workshop competency self-assessment that addresses the modules used.
ASSESSING PARTICIPANTS' MASTERY OF PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

The instructor’s outline suggests activities that require written or verbal responses. The following list of performance indicators will assist you in assessing the participants’ work.

Module Title: The *Occupational Outlook Handbook* and Occupational Information

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COMPETENCY SELF-ASSESSMENT

Directions: For each competency statement that follows, assess your present competency. For each competency statement, circle one letter that best states your current competence by the scale defined below.

**COMPETENCE SCALE**

Assess your present knowledge or skill in terms of the following statements:

- a. Very competent: My capabilities are developed sufficiently to perform this competency and teach it to other people.
- b. Competent: I possess most of the capabilities required to perform this competency but I cannot teach it to other people.
- c. Minimally competent: I have a few of the capabilities required to perform for this competency.
- d. Not competent: I cannot perform this competency.

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WORKSHOP EFFECTIVENESS—MODULE III

NAME (Optional)____________________________________ TITLE____________________________________

INSTITUTION________________________________________ ADDRESS____________________________________

TELEPHONE________________________________________

1. To what extent were the materials, processes, and organizational aspects of the module successfully used in the presentation and delivery of the module? For those materials, processes, or organizational aspects that you marked as "unsuccessful" or "slightly successful," provide brief comments as to how they might be improved.

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**Materials**

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Handouts/Worksheets
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**Processes**

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Lecture Presentations

1. 2. 3. 4

Large Group Discussions

1. 2. 3. 4

Small Group Sessions

**Organizational Aspects**

1. 2. 3. 4

Module Organization in Terms of the Logical Flow of Ideas

1. 2. 3. 4

Important Concepts Reinforced

1. 2. 3. 4

The Mix of Activities Helpful in Maintaining Interest

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2. Indicate those aspects of the module that you liked most and those that you liked least.

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3. SUGGESTIONS: Please provide suggestions or comments that you have for improving the workshop, workshop materials, and so on.
RESOURCES

The materials listed below provide additional information on how to use the Occupational Outlook Handbook.


This training guide is designed to help high school, job service, vocational rehabilitation, and employment counselors become more knowledgeable of labor market information. It contains eight competency-based units. The unit entitled "National Occupational and Labor Market Information for Counseling" describes various sources of occupational and labor market information. The Occupational Outlook Handbook and related documents are presented, and workshop activities aid counselors in learning how to use the publications.


This document is one of sixteen in the Rural America Series. The series suggests practices that rural schools can use to meet the local community's career guidance needs. This handbook is designed to help answer questions dealing with career guidance, including how to infuse it into the classroom, how to get occupational and educational information, how to select the information materials, how to organize the materials, and how to store them. One section of the publication addresses how to use the Occupational Outlook Handbook.
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INTRODUCTION

This module deals with labor market concepts that are extremely important to career exploration. The information presented in this module is interrelated with the economic concepts presented in Module V. Underlying the discussions of this module should be the understanding that (1) many dramatic changes are happening in the labor market and (2) adaptability to changing conditions is becoming more important than ever before.

CATEGORY: Labor Market

KEY CONCEPTS:
1. The labor market is the interaction of people competing for jobs (occupations) and employers (industries) competing for workers. These job seekers and workers constitute the labor force. The supply of workers and the demand for workers affect each other.
2. An industry can be classified by the goods and/or services it produces.
3. An occupation can be classified by the major tasks a worker performs.
4. Although each industry has its own occupational composition, some occupations are found in many different industries.
5. Despite the importance of employment growth, most job openings result from replacement needs.

COMPETENCIES: After completion of this module, workshop participants (teachers of various subjects) will be better able to—
1. explain the idea of supply and demand as it relates to the labor market,
2. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the concept of the labor market,
3. classify industries as providers of goods or services,
4. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula examples of goods-producing or service industries,
5. classify occupations according to various classification systems,
6. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula occupational classification activities,
7. explain the concept of occupational mobility,
8. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the idea that many occupations can be found in different industries,

9. explain the difference between and relative importance of job openings due to (a) employment growth and (b) replacement needs, and

10. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula reasons for a favorable or unfavorable outlook for an occupation.
LEARNING EXPERIENCE I

LABOR MARKET

KEY CONCEPT: The labor market is the interaction of people competing for jobs (occupations) and employers (industries) competing for workers. These job seekers and workers constitute the labor force. The supply of workers and the demand for workers affect each other.

COMPETENCIES: Workshop participants will be better able to—

1. explain the idea of supply and demand as it relates to the labor market and
2. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the concept of the labor market.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: Workshop participants will complete correctly questions relating to labor market dynamics.

Workshop participants will develop an infused lesson that relates to the above concept and uses information from the Occupational Outlook Handbook.

OVERVIEW: The purpose of this learning experience is to explore aspects of the labor market. Participants learn about the interaction between employers and employees and how each affects the other. The learning experience refers to economic concepts and includes time for participants to develop an infused lesson.

For additional information on this concept, refer to the handout "The Labor Market" found on page IV-13. Also, contact your local department of labor and job service personnel. (They may be interested in presenting information on the labor market.)

INSTRUCTOR’S INFORMATION:

Time Estimate 90 minutes

Workshop Resources Occupational Outlook Handbook or section reprints

Handouts The Labor Market—page IV-13–IV-15
Role Cards—page IV-16
Hypothetical Wage History—page IV-17
Labor Market Dynamics—page IV-18
Model Lesson Plan—page IV-19
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Population and Labor Force—page IV-27
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Instructional Methods
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Optional Activity
Role Cards (Participant Exercise)—page IV-6
Hypothetical Wage History (Small Group Activity)—page IV-10
I. Introduction of Learning Experience

A. Indicate the purpose of this activity—to explore various aspects of the labor market.

B. Emphasize to participants that this learning experience will culminate in writing an infused lesson.

II. What Is the Labor Market? (Minilecture)

A. Use the information on transparency IV.1.1 as the basis for discussion questions to introduce this activity. Limit the time spent on this activity by explaining that these ideas will be discussed in detail during the module activities.

1. The correct answer to the first item on the transparency is "D." The labor force also does not include discouraged workers, full-time students, retired people, fully disabled people, or homemakers.

2. The correct answer to the second item is "C." Anyone not in the labor force as defined in this statement is not considered in unemployment statistics.

B. Explain that the labor market includes workers, and employers who are seeking employees. The first group is further broken down as follows:

1. Employed—people who are working for compensation either full-time or part-time, including military personnel, or who worked fifteen hours or more as unpaid workers in an enterprise operated by a member of the family.

2. Underemployed—people who are working for compensation but are earning less than their potential because of inability to find full-time work or work at their level of training/experience.

3. Unemployed—people who are not working but are able to and are actively seeking work.

If appropriate, administer the pre-workshop portion of the "Competency Self-Assessment—found on page IV-102.

Show transparency IV.1.1—"Definitions"—found on page IV-21.

Refer to the handout—"The Labor Market"—found on page IV-13 for additional information.

List terms on the chalkboard or a large sheet of paper for reference.

Show transparency IV.1.2—"Underemployment"—found on page IV-23.
4. Not in the labor force—persons not in the labor force are distinguished by the fact that they are not actively seeking a job. Included in this group are persons in school, homemakers, retired and disabled individuals and "discouraged workers."

5. Discouraged workers—people who are able-bodied but have given up looking for work because they feel it is useless. These people are not included in unemployment statistics.

C. (Optional) Have some participants select and read cards that describe specific types of workers. Other participants classify the worker according to the categories just described.

D. Explain labor market dynamics by using transparency IV.1.3 and providing the following information:

1. The labor market is a cycle of supply and demand. HOUSEHOLDS demand GOODS AND SERVICES supplied by EMPLOYERS who demand LABOR supplied by HOUSEHOLDS.

2. Households include:
   - Employed
   - Underemployed
   - Unemployed
   - Those not in the labor force

3. Employers provide:
   - New jobs
   - Replacement jobs

III. Supply and Demand in the Labor Market

A. Use transparency IV.1.4 to introduce this section on labor market supply and demand. Mention the following:
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1. Employed people include—
   a. newly hired workers,
   b. recalled workers,
   c. transferred workers, and
   d. steadily employed workers.

2. Entrants to the labor force include—
   a. new entrants,
   b. re-entrants.

3. Leavers of the labor force include—
   a. voluntary leavers,
   b. involuntary leavers.

4. People voluntarily leave the labor market to—
   a. care for family,
   b. retire, and
   c. quit to return to school, etc.

5. People involuntarily leave the labor market because of—
   a. death,
   b. being fired or laid off, and
   c. disability.

6. The number of jobs is decreased by layoffs.

7. The number of job vacancies is increased by those who quit, retire, or die.

### Notes

**B. Present the following ideas about supply and demand.**

- Stress the fact that worker supply/demand statistics tend to be inexact because of variable reporting systems. Some statistics are based on surveys, some on unemployment filings, and some are little more than estimates.

- The labor market is dynamic and tends toward balance in the long run. An increasing demand for a specific job encourages more workers to prepare for that occupation. Of course, this principle never operates as simply in practice, and there are always lags as worker supply reacts to demand.
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<td>3. (Optional) The supply of workers is determined in part by the number of the following:</td>
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C. Use transparency IV.1.8 as the basis for discussing supply and demand for one occupation in one city. Emphasize that there are no absolutely correct answers. Ask participants to provide answers for each blank. The following are sample answers for each blank.

1. The logical answer would be 0 since there are 100 unfilled openings. There are now a total of 480 machinist positions.

2. Any number between 0 and 480 could be logical, depending on the participant's reasoning. For example, it is possible that the equipment installation increases costs, which forces a temporary shutdown of both plants and means no machinists are employed.

3. This number should logically equal 480 minus the preceding answer. Participants could justify different numbers. For example, the number might be fewer if some laid-off machinists decide to retire.
4. The answer is 125 (the number of laid-off workers plus the number of new apprentices).

5. This number is logically 0 because the number of employed machinists does not equal 480 and there are new apprentices.

D. Use the questions on transparency IV.1.9 to encourage discussion relating to supply and demand. Ask participants to indicate what they think the best answers are.

1. The best answer to the first item is "A". The classical labor supply-demand model shows labor supply-demand as a function of wages. Educational requirements (B) also influence the labor supply by limiting the number of qualified workers, and type of industry (D) (or individual employer) may also influence the number of people willing to work at a given wage. In the short term, the supply of labor is relatively independent of the demand for labor (C) (except as it functions through the wage mechanism to influence wages), but over the long run the demand for labor may influence the supply of labor.

2. The best answer to the second question is "D." The first two answers obviously would cause a surplus. Answer "C" is not the best choice because high wages usually lead to many job applicants. This transparency provides an opportunity for pointing out that wages and required skills are not always related (e.g., stenographer).

E. Indicate that wages are a component of labor market supply and demand. Present the following theoretical descriptions:

1. As demand increases, employers tend to raise wages to attract more workers.

2. An oversupply of workers tends to depress wages. Of course, other factors, such as minimum wages and union settlements, moderate the effect of worker oversupply.
F. (Optional) Divide the participants into groups of two or three people to complete the worksheet "Hypothetical Wage History." Stress that there are no right or wrong answers but that the participants should get the feel of wage/worker supply trends. Suggest that the notes at the bottom of the worksheet be consulted. The answers at each of the four events marked on the scale should reflect the following from supply/demand responses:

1. Wage should rise.
2. Wage should fall.
3. Wage should stay the same or fall.
4. Wage should rise.

IV. Labor Market Dynamics Questions (Handout Exercise)

A. Have participants complete the worksheet "Labor Market Dynamics."

B. Present the answers:

1. Labor
2. Employed, unemployed, underemployed
3. Employed
4. Layoffs and disability
5. Family responsibility, retirement, and schooling
6. Discouraged workers

C. Discuss any questions participants have about the answers. Refer back to your discussion of the labor market dynamics transparencies.

V. Labor Market and the OOH (Minilecture)

A. Indicate that the Occupational Outlook Handbook makes reference to labor market supply and demand in the following sections:

Distribute worksheet—"Hypothetical Wage History"—found on page IV-17.

Distribute worksheet—"Labor Market Dynamics"—found on page IV-18.

Workshop participants should thumb through the OOH and refer to the sections as they are discussed.
1. The section titled “Tomorrow’s Jobs” addresses the issues discussed in this learning experience.

2. The descriptions of occupations include references to supply and demand in the labor market.

3. The section titled “Job Outlook” for each occupation addresses supply and demand for that particular occupation.

4. The discussion of job outlook for radio and television announcers and newscasters in the OOH, is a good example of supply and demand. Have participants read through this description and discuss the supply (high) and demand (low for bigger stations—high for smaller radio stations). Emphasize that labor markets are regional, and demand for specific occupations may vary by region.

5. To illustrate the point that some labor markets are regional, have participants read the “Employment” section for petroleum engineers in the OOH.

B. Have participants use the OOH to discover and list supply and demand information for three occupations of their choice.

VI. Infusion and the Labor Market (Participant Exercise)

A. Explain that in this activity the participants will write lesson plans.

B. Divide participants into two groups. Each subgroup should appoint a leader and a recorder.

C. Have each subgroup write an infused lesson based on actual lesson plans used by the participants in which use of the OOH is included.

D. (Optional) Each subgroup can present its ideas to the other in a brief discussion. Suggestions may then be made.
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THE LABOR MARKET

A labor market is defined as the interaction of workers competing for jobs and employers competing for workers.

Any labor market is in a constant state of flux: new workers join the labor force; older workers retire; women reenter after raising families; people change occupations; summer workers return to school; manufacturing workers are laid off or are recalled to work as factory orders fall or climb; and recently discharged armed forces personnel reenter the civilian job market. All of the human flow—its size, direction, and velocity—is influenced by forces of the economy.

Economic phenomena that affect the labor market include investment and savings levels, growth of the money supply and the degree of competition.

Local Labor Market

For most occupations the applicable labor market area is local. That is, the supply of qualified workers required to meet most of the demands of most employers within a relatively limited geographical area is found within the same area. Labor markets for certain occupations within the labor market area may be influenced by many factors, such as commuting limits, union jurisdictions, the skill levels of workers required by area industries, and the existence of study/work programs. Government programs define local labor market areas as Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs).

National Labor Market

The national labor market includes occupations with nationwide mobility and demand. In these occupations, employers will often pay for moving expenses and assist in employee relocation. A few among the many possible examples are: commercial airline pilot; college teacher; oil firefighter; scientist; tool and die maker; and demolition expert. Another example is petroleum engineer; individuals in this occupation might find employment even within the international job market. Occupations in the federal civil service could also be added to the list. Some individuals may have even achieved prominence and be sought after on an individual basis. All in all, the national labor market requires of most participants a high level of training and experience. The number of individuals working in occupations with such characteristics is relatively small.

Labor Supply

The supply of labor consists of employed and unemployed workers. This supply is thought of as including current and potential supply. The current supply obviously refers to the members of the labor supply at any given time while the potential supply refers to the current supply plus a pool of potential entrants. Reasons for entering the labor market might include a rise in the level of wages, completion of a training program or schooling, recovery from an illness, "coming out" of retirement, rehabilitation from disablement, or discharge from prison. There may also be personal reasons for entering the labor market. An example would be the wife who must enter the work force because her husband has been disabled.
Labor Demand

The demand for labor by employers is determined by the strength of what may be termed the product market, which is the demand of households, business, and government for goods and services produced by employers. Labor demand is represented by the totals of employed persons and available job vacancies. Potential demand consists of anticipated future levels of total employment and expected volumes of job vacancies arising due to retirements or other job separations at those employment levels. Potential demand is derived from estimates based on growth trends in particular industries and occupations. Labor demand may increase in response to opening or expansion of plants and facilities, the demand for new goods or services or increased demands for existing goods and services, and the lettings of major contracts for special projects.

The employed are found on both the supply and demand sides of the labor market equation. The employed person acts at the same time as a signal of the demand for his or her labor and as part of the existing labor supply because of freedom to move from job to job and place to place.

Labor Force

The labor force consists of all persons sixteen years and older who are either in the armed forces, working, or unemployed and actively looking for work. Persons temporarily separated from their jobs by vacations, bad weather, labor disputes, illness, or other personal reasons are considered to be still attached to their jobs and are counted in the labor force.

Employment

Employment is defined as any work of at least an hour for pay or profit or fifteen hours without pay in a family enterprise during the survey week, which is the week including the twelfth day of the month.

Unemployment

Unemployment means that, besides having no job during the survey week, the person out of work is taking some specific action to find a job.

Not in the Labor Force

The category not in the labor force denotes the group of people who are not working or actively seeking work. Individuals in this group may be busy with family responsibilities, in school, retired, or disabled, or they may be discouraged workers—those who want a job but are not looking for work because they do not expect jobs to be available. Discouraged workers are not included among the unemployed.

Unemployment Rate

An area's unemployment rate is simply the quotient obtained, in percent form, by dividing the number of unemployed by the number in the labor force (employed plus unemployed). Both national and state unemployment rates are available from the Current Population Survey for various categories, such as youth, occupational groups (e.g., white-collar workers), minorities, women, older
workers, industry groups (e.g., manufacturing workers), and many others. For smaller geographic
areas, only the overall unemployment rate is available. Information on subgroups of unemployed
persons in these smaller areas is limited to analysis of the characteristics of the insured unemployed,
who are those eligible for and receiving unemployment insurance benefits. The insured unemployed
usually comprise about half of all unemployed persons. Their representation rises during severe
downturns, as higher levels of unemployment trigger various extensions, under federal law, of the
duration of benefits, or during seasonal upsurges caused by layoffs of seasonal workers, such as
those in the apparel and construction industries.

Worker Classification

Workers are classified according to the tasks performed. The classification system follows:

- Professional, technical and related workers
- Managers, officials and proprietors
- Salesworkers
- Clerical workers
- Craft and related workers
- Operatives
- Service workers
- Laborers
- Farmers and farmworkers

Younger workers are those aged sixteen through nineteen years, although sometimes a broader
range of sixteen through twenty-one or sixteen to twenty-four is used.

Older workers is an ill-defined category, and there is no general agreement on the age cutoff. The
Job Service considers forty-five years and older to denote this group, but some agencies use fifty-
five and older, while others use forty and older.

Part-time workers are those working fewer than thirty-five hours per week. They may be working
part-time voluntarily or for economic reasons (slackening in industrial orders, for example).

The unemployed are composed of job losers, job leavers, new entrants, or reentrants in the labor
market. Long-term unemployment is defined as a spell lasting fifteen weeks or longer.
**ROLE CARDS**

Worker Role Cards (cut on lines) Make copy of page and cut the copy.

| I am a teacher who is working part-time because I am also completing my MA. (Employed) | I am a doctor whose practice includes hospital, nursing home, and private office duty. (Employed) |
| I am a secretary who was injured in an accident and am now ready to return to work when I can find a new job. (Unemployed) | I am a student who may look for a summer job. (Not in the labor force.) |
| I am a plumber who was laid off two months ago, I want to work. (Unemployed) | I am a parent who is working part-time in order to allow me more family care time. (Employed) |
| I am an auto worker who was laid off two years ago, I want to work but gave up looking. (Discouraged worker) | I am a teacher who is driving a cab because there are no teaching jobs. (Underemployed) |
| I am a part-time student working twenty hours a week at "Hamburger Haven." (Employed) | I am a cab driver who just started a part-time job in Macy's. (Employed) |
| I am a house painter who has just been laid off. I've got to get another job. (Unemployed) | I'm a laid-off salesman who hasn't found anything in two years. I have given up looking. (Discouraged worker) |
| I am a PhD who is working as a carpenter because I can't get a teaching job. (Underemployed) | I am a machinist who has just been put on the assembly line at a pay cut. (Underemployed) |
| I am a truck driver who works sixty hours a week. (Employed) | I am a school principal who will retire at the end of this year. (Employed) |
| I am a working designer who is looking for a new job to increase my pay. (Employed) | I am a full-time homemaker. (Not in the labor force) |
HYPOTHETICAL WAGE HISTORY

Directions: Complete the graph below using hypothetical pay scales. Assume that there is no union.

Machinists' Pay

<table>
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<td>$6/hr.</td>
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<td>$2/hr.</td>
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New plant must hire 50 new machinists.
200 machinists laid off in neighboring town.
Trade school graduates 100 new machinists.
Second new plant must hire 300 machinists.

NOTE: Wages tend to rise when there is a shortage of workers.
Wages tend to fall when there is a surplus of workers.
Union settlements usually moderate these trends, but there is no union in this case.
LABOR MARKET DYNAMICS

1. Households demand goods and services and supply ________________.

2. Households supply the labor market with those not in the labor force, ________________, and ________________.

3. Workers who transfer are part of the ________________ sector of the labor market.

4. Reasons for involuntarily leaving the labor market include death, firings, ________________, and ________________.

5. Reasons for voluntarily leaving the labor market include quitting for ________________ and ________________.

6. The long-term unemployed who believe that there are no jobs for them and give up looking for work are classified as ________________.
MODEL LESSON PLAN

Title: Hiring People

Grade Level: 7

Subject Area: Social Studies/Math

Lesson Goal: The student will learn that the labor market is the interaction of people competing for jobs (occupations) and employers (industries) competing for workers. These job-seekers and workers constitute the labor force. The supply of workers and the demand for workers affect each other.

Lesson Objective: The student will be able to compare the unemployment rate of the state to the nation on a monthly basis using statistics from the newspaper.

Time Requirement: 30 minutes per month

Description of Activity: 1. The teacher either copies newspaper articles on state/national unemployment rates or summarizes these for students.

2. Each student compares the two rates by:
   a. total numbers involved—employed/unemployed
   b. percentage rates of state and national
   c. percentage difference between state and national figures

3. (Optional) The class creates a graph of its own design to track its findings.

Resources:

Materials: Newspaper article or factsheets

Equipment: Class graph

Evaluation: Each student will obtain the correct answers to 2a and 2b.

Source: Career Education in Schalmont, Schenectady, New York

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LESSON PLAN FORMAT

Title:

Grade Level: Subject Area:

Lesson Goal:

Lesson Objective(s):
   A. Career Development:
   B. Instructional:

Time Requirement:

Description of Activity:

Resources:
   Materials:
   People:
   Space/Equipment.

Evaluation:
DEFINITIONS

Labor force is defined as the total number of:

A. the population working
B. the working age population
C. the employed in the population
D. employed and unemployed in the population

The unemployment rate is defined as the:

A. number of unemployed
B. percent of the working age population unemployed
C. percent of the labor force unemployed
D. number of people who have given up looking for work
UNDEREMPLOYMENT

Which of the following is an example of an underemployed person?

A. cook working as a chef
B. teacher who is principal
C. head waiter working as a busboy
D. secretary working as an administrative assistant
POPULATION AND LABOR FORCE
SUPPLY OF LABOR

TOTAL POPULATION

- EMPLOYED
- UNEMPLOYED
- POPULATION NOT IN THE LABOR FORCE (CHILDREN, STUDENTS, HOMEMAKERS, RETIRED, INSTITUTIONALIZED)

LABOR FORCE (EMPLOYED AND UNEMPLOYED)
Increased by new and re-entrants.
Decreased by death, retirements, discouraged jobseekers.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Occupation</th>
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<td>TOTAL EMPLOYED, AGE 16 AND OVER</td>
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<td>PRIVATE HOUSEHOLD WORKERS</td>
<td>39.6%</td>
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<td>NONFARM LABORERS</td>
<td>30.4%</td>
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<td>FARM LABORERS AND SUPERVISORS</td>
<td>27.7%</td>
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<td>SERVICE WORKERS, EXCEPT PRIVATE HOUSEHOLD</td>
<td>27.5%</td>
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<td>SALES WORKERS</td>
<td>23.3%</td>
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<td>CLERICAL WORKERS</td>
<td>21.6%</td>
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<td>OPERATIVES, EXCEPT TRANSPORT</td>
<td>20.9%</td>
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<td>TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT OPERATIVES</td>
<td>17.0%</td>
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<td>CRAFT AND KINDRED WORKERS</td>
<td>14.1%</td>
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<td>MANAGERS AND ADMINISTRATORS, EXCEPT FARM</td>
<td>11.6%</td>
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<td>PROFESSIONAL, TECHNICAL, AND KINDRED WORKERS</td>
<td>11.2%</td>
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<tr>
<td>FARMERS AND FARM MANAGERS</td>
<td>9.1%</td>
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THE PROPORTIONS OF YOUNG AND OLDER PERSONS IN THE LABOR FORCE WILL DECLINE (Percent)

1970: 18%
1982: 14%
1990: 11%
1995: 11%

- 55+ population
- 25-54 population
- 16-24 population
LABOR FORCE GROWTH WILL SLOW THROUGH THE MID-1990s
(Average Annual Percent Increase)

1950-60: 1.3
1970-80: 1.7
1960-70: 2.4
1982-90: 1.6
1990-95: 1

Actual
Projected
### SUPPLY AND DEMAND

Directions: Fill in the missing information with figures that are logical.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Total Number of Employed Machinists</th>
<th>Total Number of Available Machinists</th>
<th>Unfilled Machinist Openings</th>
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<td>Jan. 1, 1983—Base Year—1 Plant</td>
<td>280</td>
<td>100</td>
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<td>Jan. 1, 1984—New Plant Opens (Has 200 machinist openings)</td>
<td>380</td>
<td>1)____</td>
<td>100</td>
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<td>By mid-summer of 1984, there was full employment in both plants.</td>
<td>480</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>Jan. 1, 1985—Computer Assisted Manufacturing equipment installed in both plants—both plants lay-off</td>
<td>2)____</td>
<td>3)____</td>
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<td>By mid-summer 1985, both plants reach stable employment</td>
<td>380</td>
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<td>Jan. 1, 1986—Union Graduates 25 Apprentices</td>
<td>380</td>
<td>4)____</td>
<td>5)____</td>
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WORKER SUPPLY

In general, the supply of workers is linked to the:

A. pay ranges
B. educational requirements
C. demand for workers
D. type of industry

In a high-skill occupation, a shortage of workers can result from:

A. a sudden decrease in job openings by employers
B. an increase in graduates of training programs
C. traditional high wages in the occupation
D. restricted entry into the occupation
LEARNING EXPERIENCE II

OCCUPATIONS AND INDUSTRIES

KEY CONCEPTS: An industry can be classified by the goods and/or services it produces.

An occupation can be classified by the major tasks a worker performs.

Although each industry has its own occupational composition, some occupations are found in many different industries.

COMPETENCIES: Workshop participants will be better able to—

1. classify industries as providers of goods or services,

2. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula examples of goods-producing or service industries,

3. classify occupations according to various classification systems,

4. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula occupational classification activities,

5. explain the concept of occupational mobility, and

6. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the idea that many occupations can be found in different industries.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: Workshop participants will complete a worksheet classifying industries as goods-or service-producing with at least 80 percent accuracy.

Workshop participants will classify all of the occupations in a list according to the system used in the Occupational Outlook Handbook.

Workshop participants will list appropriate mobility potential of selected occupations.

Workshop participants will develop an infused lesson plan that uses information in the OOH.
OVERVIEW: Three key concepts are combined in this learning experience because of their simplicity and interrelationship. The purpose of this learning experience is to explore (1) the process for classifying occupations and industries and (2) the way occupations are distributed within industry. As in the previous learning experiences, participants will design an infused lesson plan.

For additional information on occupational classification, refer to the handout "The Labor Market" found on page IV-13. Also, representatives from the local department of labor can provide information on industrial and occupational classification.

INSTRUCTOR'S INFORMATION:

Time Estimate 90 minutes

Workshop Resources

Handouts
The Labor Market—page IV-13—IV-15
Goods and Service Industries—page IV-47
Model Lesson Plan—page IV-48
Lesson Plan Format—page IV-49

Transparency Masters
Codes—page IV-51
DOT Numbering System—page IV-53
Goods and Services—page IV-55
The Occupational Composition of Industries Differs—page IV-57
Educational Attainment of the Labor Force Continues to Rise—page IV-59
College Graduates and Jobs—page IV-61
Job Distribution in Industries—page IV-63

Instructional Methods
Handout Exercise
Minilectures
Participant Exercises
I. Introduction of Learning Experience

A. Explain to participants that the purpose of this activity is to explore the classification of industries and occupations and the distribution of occupations.

B. Use transparency IV.II.1 to introduce this learning experience. Ask participants to determine the correct answer to the question shown. The correct answer is “A.”

The following information can be used to answer specific questions:

D.O.T.: Dating from the Depression Era, the Dictionary of Occupational Titles was designed to help the Employment Service classify and place applicants. It is very detailed and contains over 20,000 entries. The D.O.T. uses a nine digit classification system which relates to the tasks performed for each occupation. The first three digits refer to the occupational group. The second three digits refer to worker functions as they relate to Data, People, and Things. The third three digits refer to a unique numerical code of a specific base title.

S.O.C.: Standard Occupational Classification provides a more general coding system and nomenclature for identifying and classifying occupations. This system was designed to provide a common coding structure for occupational classification. The S.O.C. clusters occupations into groups according to the type of work performed. Many government data systems are moving toward adoption of the S.O.C. to improve the cross-comparability of the data. This is why the S.O.C. code is included in the OOH’s “Index to Occupations.”

II. Classifications of Industries (Handout Exercise)

A. Explain that industries are broadly classified as either goods producing or service producing.

1. Goods producers provide a product.
2. Service producers provide a service.
3. The movement toward service-oriented society generates more service industries.
B. Explain that there is basically only one coding system used to classify industries—the Standard Industrial Classification Manual. Occupations are classified into industries according to—

1. the resulting goods or service,
2. the primary activity conducted in the industry, and
3. the major sector of the economy the occupation addresses (agriculture, mining, construction, manufacturing, transportation, wholesale trade, retail trade, finance, services, or public administration).

C. Ask participants to complete the worksheet “Goods and Service Industries.” Review the answers:


III. Classification of Occupations (Minilecture)

A. Explain that the OOH clusters occupations according to the type of work performed, and basically reflects the S.O.C. classification structure. Briefly go through the 19 clusters found in the OOH.

B. Have participants classify the following occupations according to the classification system in the OOH.

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<th>Occupation</th>
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<td>Architect</td>
<td>Engineers, Surveyors, and Architects</td>
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<td>Buyer</td>
<td>Administrative and Managerial</td>
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<td>Electrical Inspector</td>
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<td>Veterinarian</td>
<td>Health Diagnosing and Treating Practitioners</td>
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<td>Optometrist</td>
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<td>Truck Driver</td>
<td>Transportation and Material Moving Occupations</td>
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<td>Airline Pilot</td>
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<td>Bulldozer Operator</td>
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Distribute worksheet—“Goods and Service Industries”—found on page IV-47.

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<td>Guards</td>
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<td>Bartender</td>
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<td>Housekeeper</td>
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<td>Child-Care Attendant</td>
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<td>Cashier</td>
<td>Marketing and Sales</td>
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<td>Lobbyist</td>
<td>Writers, Artists, and</td>
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<td>Newscaster</td>
<td>Entertainers</td>
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<td>Dancer</td>
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<td>Auto Mechanic</td>
<td>Mechanics and Repairers</td>
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<td>Telephone Installer</td>
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C. Indicate that government statistics on employment are organized according to the following classification system:

- Professional, technical and related workers
- Managers, officials and proprietors
- Salesworkers
- Clerical workers
- Craft and related workers
- Operatives
- Service workers
- Laborers
- Farmers and farmworkers

Refer to the handout—"The Labor Market"—found on page IV-13.
1. The blue-collar, white-collar classification system is no longer used by the Bureau of Labor Statistics as those terms were deemed too general.

2. As transparencies IV.II.3 and IV.II.4 indicate, there is a trend toward more service workers as service industries proliferate.

D. (Optional) Have workshop participants list one example for each category of workers. Briefly discuss these examples and compare wages and working conditions.

E. (Optional) Use transparencies IV.II.5 and IV.II.6 to illustrate the trend toward rising levels of education and the concentration of college graduates in certain occupations.

1. As transparency IV.II.5 shows, the percentage of the work force having four or more years of college grew from 14 percent in 1970 to 19 percent in 1980.

2. As transparency IV.II.6 shows, college graduates tend to be employed as professionals or managers. Explain that this trend will continue even if the number of college graduates begins to decline.

IV. Occupations and Skill Mobility (Participant Exercise)

A. Indicate that many occupational skills can be transferred from one industry to another.

1. Each industry has a unique distribution of occupations.

2. However, a given occupation may be found in different industries. For example, secretaries do very similar tasks whether working in a manufacturing business or service industry. Similarly, electricians would do similar tasks regardless of the industry.

B. List ten different industries on the chalkboard or large sheet of paper. Have participants identify occupations that are common to at least three of the ten industries.

Show transparencies IV.II.3—"Goods and Services"—and VI.II.4—"The Occupational Composition of Industries Differs"—on pages IV-55 and IV-57.

Have participants use the OOH to obtain examples.


Use "Tomorrow's Jobs" in the OOH to obtain a listing of industries. List responses on chalkboard or sheet of paper.
Instructor's Outline

C. Ask five participants to role-play different occupations of their choosing. In some cases (for example, truck driving or cooking), participants might be able to pantomime the occupation. In other cases, the participant might have to do some verbal description. For each occupation that is depicted, have the other participants list industries where the occupation might be found. For example, truck driving could be found in manufacturing, construction, and transportation industries.

D. Use transparency IV.II.7 as a basis for discussing job mobility.

1. The answer to question 1 on the transparency is "D" because even though pilots can be found in several industries as corporate employees, choices "A," "B," and "C" are found in far more industries.

2. The answer to question 2 is "C" because virtually every industry employs typists.

E. (Optional) Ask each participant to list possible occupations in which the following workers could be retrained:

Laid-off steel worker
Laid-off auto worker
Laid-off machinist
Unemployed physical education teacher

1. Explain that during the 1980s, the issue of retraining will become more critical.

2. There are no right or wrong answers to the question about retraining. The following is an example of a set of possible answers:

Retrain as a welder
Retrain as a computer repairperson
Retrain as a tool and die person
Retrain as a physical therapist

Notes

Refer participant to the occupational clusters found in the Table of Contents of the OOH.

Show transparency IV.II.7—"Job Distribution in Industries"—on page IV-63.
V. Mobility and the *OOH* (Minilecture)

A. Indicate that the *OOH* makes reference to occupational mobility in the following places:

1. The “Employment” section and the “Related Occupations” section for each occupation description includes information on similar occupations.

2. The “Tomorrow’s Jobs” section also discusses the transferability of certain occupations.

B. Have participants use the *OOH* to identify at least three occupational descriptions that make reference to transfer opportunities. Use “Librarians” as an example.

   1. The “Employment” statement lists the places where librarians work and mentions their employment as audiovisual specialists.

   2. The “Related Occupations” section lists jobs requiring similar analytical and organizational skills, for which librarians might qualify.

VI. Infused Activity (Participant Exercise)

A. Ask each participant to develop an activity that infuses into the curriculum an idea presented in this learning experience. Since more than one concept is addressed, participants may want to develop more than one activity.

B. (Optional) Ask a few participants to share their ideas.

VII. Wrap-Up

A. Indicate that this learning experience was designed to provide information on classification of industries and occupations, occupational mobility, and the distribution of occupations in industry.

B. Mention that the next learning experience explores how job openings occur.
### GOODS AND SERVICE INDUSTRIES

**Directions:** Place an X under the appropriate heading that describes the primary industry classification of each firm or agency.

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<th>Firm/Agency</th>
<th>Goods-producing Industry</th>
<th>Service-producing Industry</th>
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<td>1. George Washington High School</td>
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<td>2. Chrysler Motors</td>
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<td>3. Busy Bee Cleaner</td>
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<td>4. Joe's Stationery Store</td>
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<td>5. New Town Dairy</td>
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<td>6. State Education Department</td>
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<td>7. U.S. Department of Labor</td>
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<td>8. Village Realty</td>
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<td>9. New York Police Department</td>
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<td>10. Westinghouse Electric, Refrigerators Division</td>
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**Directions:** In the spaces below, write examples of goods and service industries from your own home town.

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MODEL LESSON PLAN

Title: Job Mobiles

Grade Level: K-1
Subject Area: Art

Lesson Goal: The student can identify three occupations associated with five different tools required by that occupation.

Lesson Objective: The student can identify at least one occupation associated with five different tools required by that occupation.

Time Requirement: Three 45 minute periods

Description of Activity:
1. The teacher leads a brief class discussion on the different tools required for different jobs.
2. Each student chooses two jobs with which he/she is familiar.
3. Each student constructs a mobile of at least six parts illustrating the tools of the two jobs (magazine cutouts or freehand silhouettes may be used).
4. Mobiles should be hung in classroom.
5. A class discussion mentions all the tools and jobs that were made.

Resources:
Materials: Various art supplies, magazines

Evaluation: Each student can name at least three different occupations when three different tools are pointed out.
LESSON PLAN FORMAT

Title:

Grade Level: 

Lesson Goal:

Lesson Objective(s):
  Career Development:
  Instructional:

Time Requirement:

Description of Activity:

Resources:
  Materials:
  People:
  Space/Equipment:

Evaluation:
CODES

Occupations are classified by the major tasks a worker performs. The following coding systems are used in the OOH. One has relatively few categories covering a broad range of occupations. Which coding system has the more detailed occupational categories?

a. DOT — Dictionary of Occupational Titles
b. SOC — Standard Occupational Classification
DOT Numbering System
CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT MECHANIC (CONSTR).

1ST 3 DIGITS
OCCUPATIONAL GROUP ARRANGEMENT

2ND 3 DIGITS
WORKER FUNCTIONS (DATA, PEOPLE AND THINGS)

LAST 3 DIGITS
SERIAL # (ARRANGED BY # IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER)

6 2 0 . 2 6 1 - 0 2 2

CATEGORY
MACHINE TRADES OCCUPATIONS

DIVISION
MECHANICS OR MACHINERY REPAIRERS

GROUP
MOTORIZED VEHICLE AND ENGINEERING EQUIPMENT MECHANICS AND REPAIRERS

DATA 2 ANALYZING
PEOPLE 6 SPEAKING-SIGNALING
THINGS 1 PRECISION WORKING

UNIQUE NUMERICAL CODE OF A SPECIFIC BASE TITLE.
GOODS AND SERVICES

INDUSTRIES PROVIDING SERVICES EMPLOY MORE PEOPLE THAN THOSE PROVIDING GOODS

(Millions of Jobs)


SERVICE-PRODUCING

GOODS-PRODUCING

ACTUAL PROJECTED
THE OCCUPATIONAL COMPOSITION OF INDUSTRIES DIFFERS

SERVICE—PRODUCING INDUSTRIES

- Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate
- Public Administration
- Services
- Trade
- Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities

GOODS—PRODUCING INDUSTRIES

- Mining
- Manufacturing
- Construction

SOURCE: BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF THE LABOR FORCE CONTINUES TO RISE

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COLLEGE GRADUATES AND JOBS

PERCENT DISTRIBUTION IN 1980

SOURCE: BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS
JOB DISTRIBUTION IN INDUSTRIES

1. Which occupation is most specific to a particular industry?

A. secretary  
B. typist  
C. machine operator  
D. pilot

2. Which occupation would be found in the greatest number of industries?

A. musician  
B. pilot  
C. typist  
D. machinist
LEARNING EXPERIENCE III

JOB OPENINGS

KEY CONCEPT: Despite the importance of employment growth, most job openings result from replacement needs.

COMPETENCIES: Workshop participants will be better able to—

1. explain the difference between and relative importance of job openings due to (a) employment growth and (b) replacement needs and
2. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula material on reasons for a favorable or unfavorable outlook for an occupation.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: Workshop participants will classify at least 80 percent of job openings in a specific list according to their cause: employment growth or replacement needs.

Workshop participants will develop an infused lesson that relates to the above concept and uses information from the OOH.

OVERVIEW: Although this concept is relatively simple to understand, it is important for people to realize that the source of jobs is less likely to be creation of new jobs (employment growth) than replacement of workers in existing jobs. Participants will be given time to develop their own infused lessons.

INSTRUCTOR’S INFORMATION: Time Estimate 60 minutes

Workshop Resources Occupational Outlook Handbook

Handouts
Turnover Rates—page IV-73
Model Lesson Plan—page IV-74
Lesson Plan Format—page IV-75
Knowledge Quiz—page IV-76–IV-78
Related Activities—page IV-91
Resources—page IV-109

IV-65
Transparency Masters
Job Openings—page IV-79
Occupational Growth—page IV-81
Job Sources—page IV-83
Fastest Growing Industries—page IV-85
New Jobs, 1982-95—page IV-87
Declining Occupations—page IV-89

Instructional Methods
Minilecture
Participant Exercises
Handout Exercise

Optional Activities
Role play of Radio Interview (Participant Exercise)—page IV-68
Turnover Rates (Handout Exercise)—page IV-69
Hometown Statistics (Participant Exercise)—
page IV-69
Knowledge Quiz (Handout Exercise)—page IV-71
I. Introduction of Learning Experience

A. Explain that the purpose of the activity is to explore the differences between growth and replacement needs in the job market.

B. Explain that the general concept of this learning experience is that more job openings occur to replace lost workers than are created for "new" workers.

II. Jobs Due to Growth (Mini Lecture)

A. Use transparency IV.II.1 to introduce this discussion on job openings. The answer to the question shown is "E" because openings created by worker disability are small compared to the other choices. It should be pointed out, however, that this is a form of replacement opening. The major idea of this section is that most job openings result from replacement needs.

B. Explain that some jobs result from growth. Indicate that there can be general economic growth or specific growth within an industry. It should also be mentioned that jobs caused by industry growth generally occur in a growing general economy (although certain industries may experience growth during a recession), while jobs related to occupational growth can occur anytime (the growth of medical technicians, for example, has been unaffected by the poor economy because of social welfare programs like Medicare).

C. Use transparency IV.II.2 to summarize the discussion of the two types of growth that lead to job openings. The answer to the question is "A" because of the growth of information resources and their growing importance to the function of day-to-day business operations. The other occupations are less related to general economic activity.

1. New jobs can be created by general economic growth. For example, a growing economy will create new jobs as businesses expand their operations.

2. There are always some new jobs created as a result of growth in a particular industry. Three examples, all related to the general growth of the health care industry, are radiation therapist, emergency medical technician, and dietetic technician.

Show transparency IV.III.1—"Job Openings"—found on page IV-79.

Show transparency IV.III.2—"Occupational Growth"—found on page IV-81.
3. Some new jobs are created by technology. Thus, the computerization of business systems has meant more computer service technicians.

D. Ask participants to provide additional examples of growth-related job openings. Examples would be medical insurance clerks and computer programmers.

E. (Optional) Conduct a role-playing activity. Ask for a volunteer to act as interviewer from a radio talk show. Other workshop participants will act as high school seniors who have chosen occupations they believe to have good growth potential. The interviewer asks the others what their occupational choices are. List all jobs chosen. Discuss the occupations from the standpoint of growth potential.

III. Jobs Because of Replacement Needs

A. Explain that the majority of job openings are created as people change occupations or leave the labor force (commonly referred to as labor force separations).

1. Most replacement needs stem from occupational transfers—openings that occur as people change jobs or careers, or move up the career ladder.

2. Two other causes of separations are death and retirement.

3. Other causes of separations are disabilities and resignations for personal reasons. For example, individuals may leave their jobs in order to raise families.

4. Some industries are characterized by high employee turnover rates, while others are very stable. An example of a high turnover industry is the fast-food industry. Education is an example of a stable industry with a relatively low turnover rate. Occupations with the highest replacement rates tend to have low pay and status, limited training requirements, and a high proportion of young and part-time workers.
B. Use transparency IV.III.3 to summarize the sources of job openings. The answer to the question shown is "C." This choice is correct because none of the others accounts for the majority of job openings. This point has been made throughout the module.

C. (Optional) Have participants complete the worksheet "Turnover Rates." Explain that this activity is designed to cause participants to think about what causes high or low turnover and point out that there are no right or wrong answers.

1. Have participants complete the worksheet by arriving at a logical reason for each choice. For example, teachers might have lower than average turnover because they have made a substantial investment in training, or their jobs are reasonably secure although not highly paid. One might argue, however, that teachers have high turnover because so many leave for family responsibility or better jobs.

2. Ask each participant to provide a rationale for at least one worker on the list. Others might present different reasoning, and the discussion may show that different geographic locations and/or experience backgrounds of the participants yield different rationales.

D. (Optional) Hometown Statistics. In this activity, workshop participants use information about their own environments to create a chart that reflects the stability of various employment sites. It is a "creative" activity in that the participants are given general guidelines and must then chart the information on their own.

1. The guidelines are—

   - list three hometown business establishments,
   - list five occupations within each business,
   - indicate the turnover rate (high, average, low) of each occupation (total of fifteen different occupations).

2. After each participant has "created" his/her chart, ask volunteers to share theirs with the group.

Show transparency IV.III.3—"Job Sources"—found on page IV-83.

Distribute the worksheet—"Turnover Rates"—found on page IV-73
IV. Job Openings and the OOH (Participant Exercise)

A. Indicate that in the OOH there are references to job needs created by replacement and/or growth.
   1. The "Tomorrow's Jobs" section addresses this concept in detail.
   2. Each occupational description addresses the source of new jobs. The "Employment" and "Job Outlook" sections specifically discuss the issue of growth versus replacement for each occupation.
   3. Transparency IV.III.4 lists the growth industries of the 1980s. Computer and data processing services will be a growth industry, for example, because of the rapid increase in use of mini and microcomputers in business and in the home.
   4. Transparency IV.III.5 shows that the source of 50 percent of new jobs is a relatively small number of occupations.
   5. Transparency IV.III.6 shows 20 occupations that may suffer declines through the mid-1990s.

B. Have participants use the OOH to discover job outlook information, discussed in the preceding activity, for an occupation of their choosing.

C. Have participants classify the following job openings as being created by growth or replacement:
   - Teacher hired to cover maternity leave of another teacher (replacement)
   - Machinist hired for new third shift (growth)
   - Salesperson hired to cover new product (growth)
   - Cab driver hired because another was fired (replacement)
   - Plumber who takes over parent's business (replacement)
   - Salesperson hired to fill promotional vacancy (replacement)
   - Typist hired temporarily because of sickness of another (replacement)
   - Repairperson hired for new business (growth)
   - Nurse hired because another retired (replacement)
   - Substitute teacher hired (replacement)

Notes

Refer to the OOH during this discussion.

Show transparency IV.III.4—"Fastest Growing Industries"—found on page IV-85.

Show transparency IV.III.5—"New Jobs, 1982-95"—found on page IV-87.

Show transparency IV.III.6—"Declining Occupations"—found on page IV-89.

Use the OOH.

This can be used as a dictation exercise.
V. Job Openings and Infused Lesson (Participant Exercise)

A. Ask each participant to select one of his/her current lessons as a basis for writing an infused lesson plan.

B. Ask each participant to incorporate material on the reasons for the favorable or unfavorable outlook for three or more identified occupations in an infused lesson plan.

C. Ask participants to share ideas from their infused lesson plans. Discussion should include ways to infuse both the general labor market concepts and infusion techniques.

VI. Wrap-Up (Handout Exercise)

A. Ask workshop participants whether they have any questions concerning this entire module. Review with them the key concepts covered in the module.

B. (Optional) Administer the quiz on labor market concepts. Discussion can reinforce knowledge of the concepts in this module. Answers are:

   (1) d, (2) b, (3) c, (4) b, (5) d, (6) d, (7) a, (8) d, (9) b, (10) d, (11) d, (12) c, (13) d, (14) c, and (15) d.

Use "Lesson Plan Format" found on page IV-75.

Distribute "Model Lesson Plan" found on page IV-74.

Provide participants copies of appropriate Related Activities pages IV-91–IV-99.

You may want to duplicate and distribute some of the plans.

Provide participants with a copy of copy of Resources on pages IV-109–IV-110.

Distribute worksheet— "Knowledge Quiz"— found on pages IV-76–IV-78.

Administer the post-workshop portion of the "Competency Self-Assessment" and "Workshop Effectiveness" form on pages IV-104 and IV-106 if this module ends your training session.
**TURNOVER RATES**

Directions: Place an X under the appropriate heading. For example, there is usually a high turnover rate for food counter worker because of low pay and advancement opportunities.

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MODEL LESSON PLAN

Title: Where Do Jobs Come From?

Grade Level: 4
Subject Area: Language Arts/Social Studies

Lesson Goal: The student will learn that despite the importance of employment growth, most job openings result from replacement needs.

Lesson Objective: The student will be able to list five reasons for employers to place job orders with the State Job Service and can classify these reasons as being caused by growth or replacement.

Time Requirement: 45 minutes

Description of Activity:
1. The teacher schedules a guest speaker from the State Job Service.
2. In a 20-25 minute presentation, the guest speaker describes the operation of the Job Service with the emphasis on the Job Ordering process. (This discussion should be kept as simple as possible.)
3. During the presentation, the speaker lists on the chalkboard various reasons for employee job orders (to fill temporary vacancy, to cover busy season, etc.) and shows the class that most are caused by the need to replace workers.
4. After the lecture, each student lists five possible reasons for job orders (either previous examples or new examples) and indicates if it was growth or replacement.
5. Each student then tells the class one of the reasons listed and whether it was replacement or growth related.

Resources:
People: State Job Service Representative
Equipment: Chalkboard

Evaluation: Each student can list five reasons for employers to place job orders with the State Job Service and can classify these reasons as caused by growth or replacement.

Source: Career Education in the Elementary School, Long Island University, 1973
LESSON PLAN FORMAT

Title: 

Grade Level: Subject Area:

Lesson Goal: 

Lesson Objective(s): 
  Career Development: 
  Instructional: 

Time Requirement: 

Description of Activity: 

Resources: 
  Materials: 
  People: 
  Space/Equipment: 

Evaluation:
KNOWLEDGE QUIZ

1. Labor force is defined as the total number of:
   a. the population working
   b. the working age population
   c. the employed in the population
   d. employed and unemployed in the population

2. In general, the supply of workers in a specific occupation is directly linked to the:
   a. type of work
   b. pay range
   c. educational requirements
   d. demand for workers

3. The unemployment rate is defined as the:
   a. number of unemployed
   b. percent of the working age population unemployed
   c. percent of the labor force unemployed
   d. number of people who have given up looking for work

4. An example of an underemployed person is a:
   a. typist working as a secretary
   b. college graduate working as a short order cook
   c. busboy working as a waiter
   d. salesperson who is regional manager

5. A shortage of skilled workers in an occupation can result from:
   a. a sudden decrease in job openings by employers
   b. an increase in graduates of training programs
   c. traditional high wages in the occupation
   d. restricted entry into the occupation

6. Firms are grouped into industries by the type of goods or services produced. The coding system established by the federal government for this purpose is:
   a. S.O.C.—Standard Occupational Classification
   b. O.E.S.—Occupational Employment Statistics
   c. D.O.T.—Dictionary of Occupational Titles
   d. S.I.C.—Standard Industrial Classification
7. The government classifies occupations primarily according to the:
   a. tasks a worker performs
   b. job outlook
   c. average earnings of a particular occupation
   d. impact of technology upon an occupation

8. As compared to employment change in the goods-producing industries, service industry jobs will:
   a. decline
   b. stay the same
   c. increase slightly
   d. increase greatly

9. Which occupation is most specific to a particular industry?
   a. salesperson
   b. news reporter
   c. computer operator
   d. secretary

10. Which occupation would be found in the greatest number of industries?
    a. pilot
    b. machinist
    c. entertainer
    d. typist

11. An example of an occupation that has grown dramatically as a result of general economic growth is:
    a. farmer
    b. fire fighter
    c. appliance dealer
    d. food counter worker

12. An example of an occupation that has grown dramatically as a result of growth in a specific industry is:
    a. shoemaker
    b. auto mechanic
    c. inhalation therapist
    d. machinist
13. A major source of job openings is:
   a. retirement
   b. transfers
   c. promotions
   d. all of the above

14. Most new workers are hired by employers because of:
   a. corporate growth
   b. a reduction in taxes
   c. the need to replace workers
   d. a rise in corporate profits

15. Occupations characterized by high turnover are usually:
   a. well-paid
   b. mentally demanding
   c. associated with goods-producing industry
   d. low paid
JOB OPENINGS

All of the following are significant sources of job openings due to replacement needs except:

A. death
B. family-raising duties
C. occupational transfers
D. retirement
E. disability
OCCUPATIONAL GROWTH

An example of an occupation which has grown dramatically as a result of the growth of related industry is:

A. machinist
B. computer service technician
C. secretary
D. shoe salesperson

An example of an occupation which will grow dramatically as a result of general economic growth is:

A. office machine salesperson
B. farmer
C. appliance repairer
D. pilot
JOB SOURCES

Most new workers are hired by employers because of:

A. corporate growth
B. a reduction in taxes
C. the need to replace workers
D. a rise in corporate profits
FASTEST GROWING INDUSTRIES

MORE THAN HALF OF THE TWENTY FASTEST GROWING INDUSTRIES ARE IN THE SERVICES INDUSTRY GROUP

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NOTE: Based on moderate-trend projections of industries classified at the three-digit SIC detail having wage and salary employment over 50,000.
## NEW JOBS 1982-95

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**NOTE:** Based on moderate-trend projections.
DECLINING OCCUPATIONS

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NOTE: Includes only detailed occupations with 1982 employment of 25,000 employees or more. Based on moderate-trend projections.
RELATED ACTIVITIES

The activities described below have been conducted in a school situation. They were identified through an extensive literature review and/or interviews with school personnel. Some of them were field tested prior to inclusion in the training package. These are starred, and detailed information is provided regarding them.

**Concept:** The labor market is the interaction of people competing for jobs (occupations) and employers (industries) competing for workers. Those workers and job-seekers constitute the labor force. The supply of workers and the demand of job openings affect each other.

**Title:** Social Changes  
**Grade Level:** Secondary  
**Subject Area:** Social Studies

**Learning Activity:** Class discusses how social changes influence the need of different occupations.

**Title:** Occupations and the Economy  
**Grade Level:** Secondary  
**Subject Area:** Social Studies

**Learning Activity:** Students study the relationship of occupations and the economic condition.

**Concept:** An industry can be classified by the goods and services it produces.

**Title:** Kinds of Work  
**Grade Level:** 1  
**Subject Area:** Language Arts

**Instructional Objective:** The students will be able to categorize ten industries as either goods producing or service producing.

**Time Requirement:** 45 minutes  
**Materials:** Two boxes—one labeled goods, the other services; 30 precut magazine pictures of various industries (other sources of pictures may be used)

**Learning Activity:**
1. Through class discussions, the teacher presents the concept that some industries produce goods while others produce services.
2. The teacher writes the two categories on the board and with the help of the class, lists examples of both types.
3. The class members sort pictures into service and goods industries and place them into the appropriate box.

**Source:** Career Development Guide, Oshkosh Area Public Schools, 2155 Eagle Street, Oshkosh, WI 54901, 1973.
Title: Goods - Services  
Grade Level: 2  
Subject Area: Language Arts

Instructional Objective: The students will correctly classify classroom activities as either goods or services producing.

Time Requirement: 45 minutes

Learning Activity:
1. The teacher conducts a brief discussion on the difference between goods and services.
2. The teacher presents list of twenty classroom activities (e.g., creating artwork, cleaning chalkboard).
3. The students classify the classroom activities as goods or services.


Title: Farmers  
Grade Level: 3  
Subject Area: Social Studies

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to identify five different farming items.

Time Requirement: Two 30-minute sessions

Learning Activity:
1. Teacher leads class discussion on the different things a farmer does.
2. Students pick out five pictures and/or toy models of farm implements and draw a picture in which all are shown in use.
3. (Optional) Students make clay or paper mache models of their favorite farm-related item (animal or machine).
4. (Optional) Class takes field trip to local farm.

Source: Elementary Career Education Handbook, Des Moines Schools, IA.

Title: Publications  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Language Arts

Learning Activity: Students study occupations associated with the publications industry.

Title: Service and Goods Industries  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Language Arts

Learning Activity: Class debates the rewards and challenges of service-related and goods-related industries.

Title: Products and Services  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Language Arts and Social Studies

Learning Activity: Students write manufacturer or retail stores to learn about products and services.

Title: Marketing and Distribution  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Social Studies

Learning Activity: Students study the marketing and distribution of goods.

Title: Service Occupations  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: English, Art

Learning Activity: Students discuss and research service occupations and then develop posters depicting these occupations.
Title: Goods and Services  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Social Studies

Learning Activity: Guest speakers talk about goods and services occupations.

Concept: An occupation can be classified by the major tasks a worker performs.

Title: Occupational Awareness  
Grade Level: K-1  
Subject Area: Reading/Art

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to list five different occupations.

Time Requirement: Three to four 30-minute sessions  
Materials: Coffee cans and paper

Learning Activity:
1. Students cover coffee cans with paper and print the names of different occupations on each.
2. Students draw, color, and cut out pictures of tools and clothing related to specific jobs.
3. They then place the items in proper cans.
4. When all cans are full, the class discusses the occupations.
5. (Optional) Parents or other resource people discuss their specific occupations.


Title: Health-oriented Careers  
Grade Level: K-2  
Subject Area: Health

Instructional Objective: Students will be able to verbally name at least five careers related to the health cluster.

Learning Activity: Teacher shows films or has speakers speak about health-related careers to include nurse’s aides, doctors, dentists, and dentist assistants. Students draw or bring in pictures of a variety of health-related careers for a bulletin board collage. Class discusses the interdependence of one career on the other and the dependence of the public on these careers. (Optional) The class takes a field trip to a clinic or hospital.


Title: Grocery Store Workers  
Grade Level: K-2  
Subject Area: Math

Instructional Objective: Students will be able to state at least five jobs involved in a grocery store operation, perform a task in a simulated grocery store and use computation skills (change making) in buying and selling activities.

Learning Activity: Class discusses jobs involved in a grocery store; sets up a classroom grocery store using boxes, cans, etc. brought from home; makes paper money to be used in the store, and students assume different roles in the store.


Title: School Jobs  
Grade Level: 2  
Subject Area: Social Studies

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to list the characteristics related to five school-related occupations.

Time Requirement: Two 45-minute sessions
Learning Activity:
1. The class tours the school building and observes at least five different occupations—lunch worker, secretary, principal, etc.
2. Students list characteristics they noted for each job and the teacher lists these on board.


*Title: Occupational Awareness  
Grade Level: 3  
Subject Area: Art  

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to list five occupations involved with the preparation of their lunches.

Time Requirement: Two 30-minute sessions  
Materials: Milk carton

Learning Activity:
1. The teacher cuts out the shape of a lunch pail and pastes it on an empty milk carton.
2. Students cut out and color disks lettered from A to Z.
3. During a class discussion, teacher directs students to think of different jobs related to food preparation.
4. Each student writes at least two jobs on the disks with the corresponding initial letter.
5. Students put their disks into the lunch pail.
6. (Optional) Parents or other resource people discuss their specific occupations.


Title: Radio and TV  
Grade Level: 3-5  
Subject Area: Language Arts

Instructional Objective: Students will be able to name four jobs involved in a radio or TV show and the equipment needed to produce the show.

Learning Activity: Class takes a field trip to radio or TV station, role-plays careers in radio and TV using audio-visual equipment, creates a TV show and a TV commercial, and makes a TV guide showing the variety of programs.


Title: A Play Production  
Grade Level: 3-5  
Subject Area: Language Arts

Instructional Objective: Students will be able to identify careers pertaining to acting.

Learning Activity: Class discusses acting and qualifications needed to be an actor. They select a play adaptable to class situations, list all careers involved in producing a play, select students for each part and assign tasks. The class makes props, costumes and learns parts. Resources needed include drama and music instructors, sewing machine, costume materials, and record and tape players. The class performs the play before an audience.


Title: Newspaper Careers  
Grade Level: 3-5  
Subject Area: Language Arts

Instructional Objective: Students will be able to name three different jobs at a newspaper, identify headlines, comics, news stories, news pictures, society news, sports, and radio and TV guide portions of a newspaper.
Materials: Newspapers

Learning Activity: Class visits a newspaper office. Each student produces a comic strip, writes fictitious news stories, and develops headlines, and the class produces a mini-newspaper about happenings in their own room to send home.


Title: How We Travel—Railroads  Grade Level: 3-5  Subject Area: Social Studies

Instructional Objective: Students will be able to name and describe the job functions of four people associated with the railroad industry, along with itemizing three reasons for the declining use of local railroad stations.

Materials: Milk cartons, travel pictures, pictures of railroads and trains, and filmstrips related to railroads and trains.

Learning Activity: The teacher displays pictures of various means of transportation and reads stories and poems about the railroad industry. Other activities could include tours of local train stations, setting up model train terminals, developing bulletin board displays, and making trains out of milk cartons.


*Title: A Vacation Trip  Grade Level: 4  Subject Area: Social Studies

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to describe at least three occupations in the tourism industry.

Time Requirement: 45 minutes  Materials: Construction paper

Learning Activity:
1. Class plans a vacation trip to Hawaii or somewhere else.
2. Class lists the different people involved (occupations) in making the vacation pleasant.
3. Students make pieces of luggage with careers involved printed on the sides of the luggage.

Source: Career Development, Texarkana, AR.

*Title: Job Characteristics  Grade Level: 5  Subject Area: English

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to describe characteristics related to three occupations.

Time Requirement: Several days

Learning Activity:
1. Students use the Occupational Outlook Handbook to compile a list of three occupations. They then compare the characteristics of selected occupations (e.g., wages earned, preparation necessary, etc.).
2. Some students interview persons from each of the three selected careers and share their findings with the class.
3. Some students interview older persons about obsolete careers such as the blacksmith, iceman, and compare them with present day careers.

*Title: Career Awareness  
Grade Level: 6  
Subject Area: English

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to classify jobs into the appropriate occupational clusters.

Time Requirement: 60 minutes  
Materials: Job classification sheet (teacher developed)

Learning Activity:
1. The teacher leads a class discussion on occupational clusters.
2. The teacher develops a job classification sheet by listing various occupations on one side of a sheet of paper and occupational clusters on the other side.

Source: Career Education in Schalmont, Schalmont Central Schools, 401 Duanesburg, Schenectady, NY 12306, 1980.

*Title: Occupations  
Grade Level: 7  
Subject Area: Reading/Language Arts

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to describe a specific occupation.

Time Requirement: 45 minutes

Learning Activity:
1. Students read a story about a certain occupation. (The teacher may record the reading.)
2. The class does research on a particular occupation and compiles information.
3. Each student presents a two-minute oral report on the findings.

Source: Career Development, Texarkana, A.R.

Title: Printing Occupations  
Grade Level: 11-12  
Subject Area: Industrial Arts

Instructional Objective: Students will be able to list common occupations in the printing field and describe those available in their community.

Learning Activity: Class completes group and individual projects dealing with various types of printing occupations. They take a field trip to a local printing firm.


Title: Vocational Interviews  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Social Studies

Learning Activity: Students interview parents and other adults about the nature of their jobs and their attitudes toward them.

Title: Fill-in the Blank  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Language Arts

Learning Activity: Students fill in the blanks in sentences with the name of a specific worker.

Title: Cereal Spell  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Language Arts

Learning Activity: Students spell out names of occupations with alphabet cereal.
Title: Career Poems  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Language Arts  
Learning Activity: Students write poems on various occupations.

Title: Musical Instruments  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Art  
Learning Activity: Students make musical instruments to understand that making instruments is a music-related occupation.

Title: Code Break  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Math  
Learning Activity: Students complete a worksheet in which they complete mathematic functions and break a code to discover the name of an occupation.

Title: Working Sounds  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Social Studies  
Learning Activity: Students identify occupations by listening to associated sounds.

Title: Movements of Workers  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Physical Education  
Learning Activity: Students divide into teams and demonstrate the movements different workers make (such as fire fighter, construction worker). Each team guesses what the other is doing.

Title: Vocabulary  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Language Arts  
Learning Activity: Students learn vocabulary words that relate to specific occupations.

Title: Workers in Readers  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Language Arts  
Learning Activity: Students review their reading books to identify workers, and the teacher briefly discusses the related careers.

Title: Cluster-a-Month Club  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: General  
Learning Activity: Teachers discuss one occupational area each month.

Title: CARE (Career Analysis, Review and Exploration)  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: General  
Learning Activity: Games and activities (including career totems, career root word, job cluster bingo game, and in-and-out careers) infuse occupational information into the curriculum.

Title: Yellow Pages  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Art  
Learning Activity: Students list from the telephone yellow pages occupations that interest them and develop posters on their favorite.
Title: Puppet Show  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Language Arts  
Learning Activity: Students put on puppet shows in which one puppet interviews another about an occupation.

Title: Science Bulletin Board  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Science  
Learning Activity: Class makes bulletin boards on science occupations after studying the *Occupational Outlook Handbook*.

Title: Forest Occupations  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Science  
Learning Activity: Class visits a state or national forest and discusses careers related to the forest.

Title: Music Occupations  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Music  
Learning Activity: Students research musical careers.

Title: Art Careers  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Art  
Learning Activity: Students research art-related careers.

Concept: Although each industry has its own occupational composition, some occupations are found in many different industries.

Title: Self-Sufficient Society  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: English  
Learning Activity: Students create a self-sufficient society and write about the careers in that society.

Concept: Despite the importance of employment growth, most job openings result from replacement needs.

Title: Job Opportunities  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Social Studies  
Learning Activity: Class discusses factors that stimulate or retard job opportunities.

Title: Want Ads  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: English  
Learning Activity: Students study want ads to identify local jobs available in their interest areas.

Title: Job Bank  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: English  
Learning Activity: Class develops a list of resources for job opportunities.
Concept: All the previous concepts.

Title: Job Word Scrambles  Grade Level: Elementary  Subject Area: Language Arts

Learning Activity: Words related to occupations, industry, and the labor markets are scrambled and students locate the appropriate words.

Title: Career Crossword Puzzle  Grade Level: Elementary  Subject Area: Language Arts

Learning Activity: Teachers develop crossword puzzles that use words related to labor market concepts.

Title: Matching Games  Grade Level: Elementary  Subject Area: Language Arts

Learning Activity: Teachers develop definition and word matching activity with words related to the labor market. A variation is to match jobs with work settings.

Title: Worker Role Play  Grade Level: Elementary  Subject Area: Language Arts

Learning Activity: Students role play workers in different industries.
EVALUATION TECHNIQUES

Prior to the workshop, the instructor should administer the Competency Self-Assessment (pre-workshop) to determine how competent the participants think they are in the topics to be taught. The Competency Self-Assessment (post-workshop) is to be administered again at the end of the workshop to identify the level of competency growth. The instructor also should make specific observations during the workshop activities to measure attainment of the performance objectives. An additional instrument is designed to obtain data on the effectiveness of the workshop techniques.

The following questionnaires relate to this module. When more than one module is being taught, the instructor can develop a comprehensive pre-workshop and post-workshop competency self-assessment that addresses the modules used.
ASSESSING PARTICIPANTS' MASTERY OF PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

The instructor's outline suggests activities that require written or verbal responses. The following list of performance indicators will assist you in assessing the quality of the participants' work.

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| Learning Experience III                              |                                                             |
| 1. Discussing growth-related job openings            | 1. Were participants able to provide examples of growth-related job openings? |
| 2. Completing “Turnover Rates” worksheet             | 1. Were participants able to understand what causes turnover rates? |
| 3. Identifying job outlooks for certain occupations   | 1. Were participants able to identify the job outlook for at least three occupations? |
| 4. Classifying causes of job openings                 | 1. Were participants able to classify correctly the causes of the majority of job openings? |
| 5. Developing an infused lesson                       | 1. Were participants able to follow the infusion process?    |
|                                                      | 2. Did the activities relate to the concept?                 |
COMPETENCY SELF-ASSESSMENT

Directions: For each competence statement that follows, assess your present competency. For each competence statement, circle one letter that best states your current competence by the scale defined below.

COMPETENCE SCALE

Assess your present knowledge or skill in terms of the following competency statements:

a. Very competent: My capabilities are developed sufficiently to perform this competency and to teach it to other people.

b. Competent: I possess most of the capabilities required to perform this competency but I cannot teach it to other people.

c. Minimally competent: I have a few of the capabilities required to perform this competency.

d. Not competent: I cannot perform this competency.

COMPETENCY STATEMENTS (PRE-WORKSHOP)

1. Explain the idea of supply and demand as it relates to the labor market.
2. Describe an activity that infuses into your curriculum the concept of the labor market.
3. Classify industries as providers of goods or services.
4. Describe an activity that infuses into your curriculum examples of goods-producing or service industries.
5. Classify occupations according to various classification systems.
6. Describe an activity that infuses into your curriculum occupational classification activities.
7. Explain the concept of occupational mobility.
8. Describe an activity that infuses into your curriculum the idea that many occupations can be found in different industries.
### COMPETENCY STATEMENTS (PRE-WORKSHOP)

9. Explain the difference between and the relative importance of job openings due to (a) employment growth and (b) replacement needs.  

10. Describe an activity that infuses reasons for a favorable or unfavorable outlook for an occupation.

### COMPETENCY STATEMENTS (POST-WORKSHOP)

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2. Describe an activity that infuses into your curriculum the concept of the labor market.  

3. Classify industries as providers of goods or services.  

4. Describe an activity that infuses into your curriculum an example of goods-producing or service industries.  

5. Classify occupations according to various classification systems.  

6. Describe an activity that infuses into your curriculum occupational classification activities.  

7. Explain the concept of occupational mobility.  

8. Describe an activity that infuses into your curriculum the idea that many occupations can be found in different industries.  

9. Explain the difference between and relative importance of job openings due to (a) employment growth and (b) replacement needs.  

10. Describe an activity that infuses reasons for a favorable or unfavorable outlook of an occupation.
WORKSHOP EFFECTIVENESS—MODULE IV

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1. To what extent were the materials, processes, and organizational aspects of the module successfully used in the presentation and delivery of the module? For those materials, processes, or organizational aspects that you marked as "unsuccessful" or "slightly successful," provide brief comments as to how they might be improved.

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3. SUGGESTIONS: Please provide suggestions or comments that you have for improving the workshop, workshop materials, and so on.
RESOURCES

The materials listed below provide additional information on the labor market.


Presenting an overview of labor markets and manpower forecasting, this report traces the operation of the labor market from job search to placement and promotion. Specifically, the seven chapters deal with such items as: differing labor markets; the search for work (techniques and programs); labor market information (intermediaries, sources, improvement efforts); selection and entry (formal, informal, screening, programs); internal labor markets (theory, promotion, discrimination, etc. redesign); and mobility (demonstration projects and agricultural migration). In addition, this report presents a literature bibliography and a short summary of major published sources of labor market information.


This article presents statistics on the changing human resources mix in the labor force. Trends include higher percentages of women working, and older men and married men leaving the work force. One result is an increasing number of persons are able to retire earlier.


This booklet is designed to increase understanding of labor market processes and thus to improve vocational education planning. As model illustrations, two local Massachusetts projects are described. The Worcester model, presented in chapter 1 is used by Boston University's regional manpower institute to focus on high school graduates' transition from school to work. Data analysis is advised to determine local labor market trends, community uniqueness, baseline patterns, etc. The U.S. census, Bureau of Labor Statistics, school records, and employer interviews are cited as useful resources. Chapter 2 presents research methods used by the Hampshire education collaborative. It is suggested that forecasting models include demand and supply information, sufficient job details, and changing technology considerations. Data gathering methods and steps for developing a manpower picture are discussed.

This pamphlet is a guide to locating specific data about working women in the various news releases, periodicals, bulletins, and reports published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). It shows where to obtain data on women's (1) labor force status, employment, and unemployment; (2) earnings and hours of work; (3) education; (4) membership in labor organizations; and (5) occupational injuries and illnesses. The pamphlet also explains how to obtain unpublished data from micro tapes, and how to obtain BLS publications. A list of BLS regional offices is included.


Three job analysts agree that schools must respond to changes in the world of work and that schools must teach students analytical and communication skills. They differ on the effect of high technology on the job market.
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INTRODUCTION

In these days of rapid change, it is important to understand some basic concepts concerning our economy. This module explores three concepts and relates them to the Occupational Outlook Handbook. Each concept is developed through a specific learning experience. Upon completion of each learning experience, workshop participants not only will have a better understanding of the concept, but also will be more familiar with the Occupational Outlook Handbook as it reflects the concept; and participants will be able to design an infused lesson that demonstrates this concept.

CATEGORY: Economy

KEY CONCEPTS: 1. A community's local economic condition is determined by the nature of its population, climate, geographic location, resources, mix of industries, and public policies.

2. The nation's economic condition is constantly changing because of decisions made by businesses, consumers, and governments. Factors that affect national and local economies include changing technologies, business conditions, population patterns, consumer preferences, and availability of resources.

3. Technological change affects the job security of workers and the skills required of workers. As productivity increases as a result of technological changes, real wages also increase.

COMPETENCIES: After completion of this module, workshop participants (teachers of various subjects) will be better able to—

1. explain how characteristics of a community can affect its economic conditions;

2. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the idea that local economic conditions are influenced by the characteristics of the community;

3. explain how decisions made by and factors related to businesses, consumers, and governments affect the nation's economic condition;

4. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the idea that economic changes relate to decisions and factors associated with various groups;
5. provide examples of how technological changes affect the job security of workers and the skills of workers; and

6. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the idea that technological changes affect the job security and skills of workers.
LEARNING EXPERIENCE I

LOCAL ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

KEY CONCEPT: A community's local economic condition is determined by the nature of its population, climate, geographic location, resources, mix of industries, and public policies.

COMPETENCIES: Workshop participants will be better able to—

1. explain how characteristics of a community can affect its economic conditions and

2. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the idea that local economic conditions are influenced by the characteristics of the community.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: Workshop participants will demonstrate an understanding of how the characteristics of a community affect its economic conditions by completing two worksheets and being able to explain their answers.

Workshop participants will develop an infused lesson that relates to the above concept and that use information from the *Occupational Outlook Handbook*.

OVERVIEW: The purpose of this learning experience is to make workshop participants aware of the characteristics that impact on the local community and of how these characteristics interact with the national economy. After completing this learning experience, workshop participants will be able to develop infused lessons based on the ideas discussed within the learning experience.

INSTRUCTOR'S INFORMATION: Time Estimate 90 minutes

Workshop Resources *Occupational Outlook Handbook*

Handouts
Population and Local Economy—page V-13
Location and Economy—page V-14
Model Lesson Plan—page V-15
Lesson Plan Format—page V-16
Instructional Methods
Minilectures
Handout Exercise
Small Group Activity
Participant Exercises

Optional Activity
Location and Economy (Handout Exercise)—page V-8
I. Introduction of Learning Experience

A. Discuss the purpose of this activity—to describe influences on local economic conditions. Emphasize that the local and national economies are interrelated. Also emphasize that the U.S. economy is interdependent with world economy; our country is no longer economically isolated. (However, this module does not address the international economy since it is not a focus of the OOH.)

B. Emphasize that this learning experience will culminate in a lesson-writing activity.

C. If appropriate in terms of the group's knowledge, use as an introductory activity the "Role-Playing Game" on page V-59 of Learning Experience III.

II. Exploring the Local Economy (Minilecture)

A. Mention briefly points to be made in this first learning experience. Emphasize that population, natural resources, and changing technology affect both local and national economies. Stress that all elements of the economy are interrelated.

1. Savings deposited by local consumers affect the economy. For example, the housing industry is hurt by recession partly because people are depositing less and banks therefore have less money for mortgages.

2. The demography of an area affects local economy. For example, areas with large concentrations of senior citizens have different consumer needs than areas with populations of a younger average age.

3. The income level of consumers determines the items that will be purchased. Example: Beverly Hills, California, residents may buy different items than residents of Glens Falls, New York, would.

4. Changing consumer tastes affect the economy. Example: Less beef is now raised because we realize that some health problems are linked to red meat intake.

B. Explain that participants will explore how a local economy functions similarly to the national economy.
III. The Population and Local Economy (Handout Exercise)

A. Discuss the fact that local industry relates to the age of the population. Present the following examples:

1. The housing industry of Florida is different from that of northern states partly because of differences in age patterns. For example, the Florida cities populated mainly by senior citizens often have many single-story and easy-access facilities. These cities similarly will have different needs in the areas of health care, transportation, recreation, etc., than some other areas.

2. Cities with younger populations have entirely different economies than cities with older populations. Example: Texas boom towns will have a lot of youth-oriented needs, such as schools and clothing stores.

B. Have participants complete the worksheet, “Population and Local Economy.” Emphasize that these are fictional statistics and that there are no right or wrong answers.

1. Ask participants to complete the blank spaces with numbers that are logical for the two cities.

2. Discuss possible answers as follows:

   a. Any number above 100 is logical, since the older population of Saratoga probably requires more medical doctors than Pleasantville.

   b. Any number above 20 is logical, since the larger number of children in Pleasantville probably requires more pediatricians.

   c. Any number could be justified, but given the income level and California’s proclivity for cars, probably there are at least 65 new Cadillacs (at least equal to the number in Saratoga).

   d. Given the similarity of total population, the number of carpenters is probably about equal. However, if one of the communities were growing more rapidly, more carpenters might be needed for new construction projects.

Distribute worksheet—”Population and Local Economy”—found on page V-13.

If participants have trouble starting the activity, complete “a” for them.

Solicit rationales for different answer to each question
e. Since there are fewer children in Saratoga, there are probably fewer teachers than in Pleasantville (i.e., less than 540).

f. Given the similarity of total population, the number of beauty shops in the two cities is probably about equal. Some might argue that senior citizens are more likely to have their hair done and that, therefore, Saratoga has more.

g. Given the similarity of total population, the logical choice would be about 12.

h. There would probably be more loan companies in Pleasantville because of the younger population, which is more likely to borrow money for cars, housing additions, and so on.

IV. Geographic Location and Natural Resources Affect the Economy (Minilecture)

A. Use transparency V.I.1 to introduce this discussion on the importance of local resources and geographic location.

1. The answer to question 1 on the transparency is "B," since all other choices are affected by location. Suggested retail price is established by the manufacturer.

2. The answer to question 2 is debatable from the standpoint that natural resources had an effect on each choice. Probably Portland, Oregon, was most dependent on its natural resource of lumber.

B. Explain that the geographic location and natural resources of a community have an influence on the number and types of industries that settle there. Present the following examples:

1. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, developed as a heavy industrial site because of its proximity to raw materials and excellent transportation. The city's local economy was affected by the growing steel industry of the early twentieth century. As more workers settled there, the economy developed to meet increas-
ing consumer needs for food, clothing, and shelter. In addition, more schools had to be built and city government expanded.

2. The area of Route 28 near Boston, Massachusetts, developed as a high-technology (computers) area largely because of its proximity to advanced educational institutions, promotion as a high-technology area by local government, and central location in the industrialized Northeast. The local economy was affected by the influx of highly educated and well-paid professionals.

C. (Optional) Have participants complete the worksheet, “Location and Economy.” Emphasize that these are fictional statistics and that there are no right or wrong answers.

1. Ask participants to complete the three graphs in a logical manner considering the information given about the two cities.

2. Discuss participants’ completion of these graphs using the following suggestions:

a. Population—Highville’s population would probably have declined because of the decline in the use of marble as a building material. Youngtown probably increased with the general migration to the Sun Belt.

b. Income level—Both cities probably suffered a decline during the 1930s with an upswing in 1940. Youngtown’s income probably increased more dramatically than Highville’s, considering the presumed decline of the marble business.

c. Number of pediatricians—The number of Highville’s pediatricians probably declined along with the general decline of the city. (If participants showed an increase of Highville’s population, the number of pediatricians should increase.) The number of Youngtown’s pediatricians may not have greatly increased if the population increase was caused by an influx of senior citizens.

Distribute worksheet—“Location and Economy”—found on page V-14.
V. Mix of Industries and Economy (Small Group Activity)

A. Use transparency V.I.2 to introduce this section. The best answer to the question shown is “A” because in a recession, beer sales may actually rise. This can be explained because laid-off workers have more time to "drown their sorrows."

B. Mention that the mixture of industry (or lack of mixture) can have a strong impact on the community’s economic condition. Present the following examples:

1. Communities with a single major industry are dependent on that industry for their economic conditions. Example: Detroit, Michigan, is in a recession whenever the automobile industry is slow. During a recession, Detroit’s small businesses have a hard time existing, and the pressures on local government become greater as more people need social services while fewer can support the cost of these services. Poughkeepsie, New York, is an example of an area that is booming because its major industry, electronic hardware, is booming.

2. An area with a diversified industrial base is less dependent on the economic condition of any one major industry. Example: Albany, New York, has a mixture of state government activities, light industries, and supporting industries and is much less affected by a recession than a city like Detroit. When a major employer in Albany, such as Tobin Packing Company, lays off hundreds of workers, many workers are able to find employment in other businesses.

C. Summarize the preceding discussion by using transparency V.I.3.

Use the following general information to guide the discussion:

- **Single Employer**
  - Pay Levels: Narrow range
  - Economic Vulnerability: Very vulnerable to recession
  - Prosperity of Local Economy: Very dependent on employer’s success

- **Diversified Employers**
  - Pay Levels: Broad range
  - Economic Vulnerability: Less vulnerable to recession
  - Prosperity of Local Economy: Less dependent

Show transparency V.I.2—"Industrial Mix"—found on page V-19.

Show transparency V.I.3—"Diversified Industrial Base"—found on page V-21.

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D. Divide participants into small groups and have each group identify approximately fifteen occupations a community could have that would help it weather a general recession.

1. Ask participants to use the Index to Occupations and Industries of the OOH to trigger ideas of “recession-proof” occupations.

2. There are no right or wrong answers, but participants should be able to justify their answers. For example, since people must eat even in a recession, agricultural industries—such as food growers, food packers, and food distributors—should be sources of jobs even during a recession.

VI. The OOH and Local Economy (Participant Exercise)

A. Have participants look in the Occupational Outlook Handbook for references to the local economy.

B. Indicate that the following local economy references can be found:

1. In the "Tomorrow's Jobs" section, the discussion of regional differences addresses the effect that local economy will have on occupational outlook.

2. The descriptions of individual occupations include the impact the economy has in specific situations. An example is the discussion of the job outlook for social workers. This discussion emphasizes the fact that differences in the local economic structure greatly affect the number of job opportunities for social workers.

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<td>C. Instruct participants to list at least three descriptions of occupations found in the OOH that make reference to the local economy.</td>
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<td>1. Suggest that participants look at the “Employment,” “Job Outlook,” and “Earnings” sections to find references to local economic conditions.</td>
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<td>2. After all participants have found three examples of these references, ask them to discuss them with the group.</td>
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<td>VII. Local Economy and Infusion (Participant Exercise)</td>
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<td>A. Ask each participant to develop an activity that infuses into the curriculum an idea presented in this learning experience.</td>
<td>Participants can work individually or in small groups. Distribute “Model Lesson Plan” found on page V-15.</td>
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<td>B. Ask a few participants to share their ideas.</td>
<td>Use the “Lesson Plan Format” found on page V-16. Provide participants with appropriate Related Activities found on pages V-71–V-77.</td>
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### POPULATION AND LOCAL ECONOMY

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**Directions:** Fill in the blank spaces in this chart with figures that are logical. There are no absolute answers.

- Number of MDs: 100
- Number of pediatricians: b) 100, a) 20
- Number of new Cadillac cars: c) 65
- Number of carpenters: 250
- Number of teachers: 540
- Number of beauty shops: f) 28
- Number of supermarkets: g) 12
- Number of loan companies: h) 5
LOCATION AND ECONOMY

Directions: Complete the development graphs for two cities—Highville, Vermont, a town that developed near a marble quarry in 1860, and Youngtown, Arizona, a town that was developed as a resort in 1920. There are no absolute answers. Remember that there was a national depression in the 1930s, that marble is no longer a major building material, and that the Sun Belt has attracted many retirees.

Highville: 
Youngtown: 

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MODEL LESSON PLAN

Title: The Economy

Grade Level: 8

Subject Area: Social Studies

Lesson Goal: The student will learn that a community's local economic condition is determined by the nature of its population, climate, geographic location, resources, mix of industries, and public policies.

Lesson Objectives:
1. The student will be able to list three natural resources which have contributed to the local economy of three different cities in the country.
2. The student will be able to list three local natural resources which have contributed to their own local economy.

Time Requirement: Several class periods

Description of Activity:
1. Teacher passes out student maps of the United States and leads a discussion on major resources as students mark them on maps. (Examples: Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River, Texas oil fields, Midwestern wheat plains, River Systems)
2. Each student chooses three different cities and using reference material, lists natural resources which have contributed to each.
3. During a class discussion, each student explains findings for one city.
4. Upon completion of the above activity, the teacher will distribute copies of local maps. The same procedure is followed for local economy.

Resources:

Materials: Student copies of map of the United States, student copies of map of local community, reference library, atlases and/or encyclopedia

Evaluation: At the completion of both the U.S. and local activities, each student will be able to list three examples of natural resources which affect the economy of their local community.

LESSON PLAN FORMAT

Title:

Grade Level: Subject Area:

Lesson Goal:

Lesson Objective(s):

   Career Development:

   Instructional:

Time Requirement:

Description of Activity:

Resources:

   Materials:

   People:

   Space/Equipment:

Evaluation:
LOCATION AND RESOURCES

What item is least affected by the geographic location of a city?

A. power costs  
B. medication costs  
C. shipping costs  
D. cost of produce

Local natural resources most affected the development of which city?

A. Columbus, Ohio  
B. Portland, Oregon  
C. Kansas City, Kansas  
D. Salt Lake City, Utah
INDUSTRIAL MIX

The mix of industry is a factor in how a local community is affected by an economic recession. Listed below are examples of the dominant industries in a community. Which would be least likely to be affected adversely by a recession?

A. beer brewery
B. vacation trailer assembly
C. electric range and refrigerator plant
D. new homes construction
DIVERSIFIED INDUSTRIAL BASE

Discuss the following characteristics of an area which has a dominant major employer compared to one with many employers.

—pay levels
—economic vulnerability
—prosperity of local economy
—training programs in area
—job transfers
—unemployment level
—job opportunities
LEARNING EXPERIENCE II

THE ECONOMY AND CHANGE

KEY CONCEPT: The nation's economic condition is constantly changing because of decisions made by businesses, consumers, and governments. Factors that affect national and local economies include changing technologies, business conditions, population patterns, consumer preferences, and availability of resources.

COMPETENCIES: Workshop participants will be better able to—

1. explain how decisions made by and factors related to businesses, consumers, and governments affect the nation's economic condition and
2. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the idea that economic changes relate to decisions and factors associated with various groups.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: Workshop participants will demonstrate an understanding of the interrelated components of the economy by completing logically several worksheets that address factors and decisions made by businesses, consumers, and governments and their effect on the economy.

Workshop participants will use the Occupational Outlook Handbook in designing an infused lesson that addresses the above concepts.

OVERVIEW: This learning experience will discuss the general functioning of our economy. It is not intended as an in-depth exploration of the concept, but rather as a general examination that stresses the interrelationships of various aspects of the economy.

INSTRUCTOR’S INFORMATION:

Time Estimate 120 minutes

Workshop Resources

Occupational Outlook Handbook

Handouts
The Economy—page V-35
Hometown versus Another Town—page V-36
National/Local Economy—page V-37
Governments’ Role in the Economy—page V-38
Model Lesson Plan—page V-39
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I. Introduction of Learning Experience

A. Explain that the purposes of the learning experience are (1) to explore relationships between components of our economy and (2) to design an infused lesson.

B. Use transparency V.I.1 to introduce this learning experience. Explain that this question reflects the complexity of the national economy. That is, the daily lives of vast numbers of "ordinary" citizens are affected by the events linked to the flow of the nation's economy.

1. The best answer to the question is "A" because the automotive industry (and its related industries, such as tire, steel, and glass production) is most severely affected by high interest rates, since car loans are most directly linked to the prime interest rates.

2. Choice "C" also could suffer with a rise in the interest rates. Although the construction industry is heavily dependent on loan rates, employment of plumbers is generally less sensitive to interest rates than other construction trades. Maintenance of existent piping systems provides jobs for many plumbers even when construction activity declines.

3. Choices "B" and "D" illustrate that some occupations are relatively "recession-proof." This point has been made in Learning Experience I, but it could be reinforced here.

4. Summarize the discussion by emphasizing that this learning experience will briefly explore the various complexities of the economy. Emphasize that the national economy is much too complex to explore thoroughly in this brief learning experience and that participants should strive for a general understanding of the interrelationships involved.

C. Indicate that the first area to be explored is how decisions made by different groups affect the economy.

Stress nontechnical aspect of discussion. Refer to handout—"The Economy"—on page V-35 for additional background information.

Show transparency V.II.1—"Interest Rates"—found on page V-43.

Avoid complex discussion of market dynamics. Emphasize instead the interrelationships of segments of the economy.
II. The Economy and Influencing Decisions (Handout Exercise)

A. Explain that consumers affect the nation’s economic condition in the same manner in which they affect the local economy.

B. (Optional) Have participants complete the worksheet, “Hometown versus Another Town,” which lists economic differences dependent on geographic locations. Emphasize that this is designed to illustrate the interrelationships discussed in Learning Experience I. The purpose of the activity is to cause participants to analyze differences between communities and how these differences affect the economy.

1. Housing in a small city is usually less expensive, but the small city is less of a source of jobs than a large city. Construction of new housing is almost always linked to interest rates, which are determined nationally.

2. Demography is dependent on participants’ locations. National trends, of course, indicate a move toward the Sun Belt, but the Northeast still has a concentration of finance and high-technology industry, and the Midwest still is important as a food supplier.

3. Income levels in smaller, more rural areas tend to be lower, but this is not always the case. Emphasize that participants should really think about their hometowns as opposed to national trends. Many towns are not direct reflections of the national economy.

4. Consumer tastes are dependent on the participants’ areas. Stress that each should try to think of differences between their local consumer tastes and national trends.

After they have completed the worksheet, ask participants to share their discoveries. The diversity of the backgrounds of the participants will obviously affect the number of different analyses.

Refer participants to the OOH. Refer back to page V-5, “Exploring the Local Economy,” in the previous learning experience. Discuss this concept from the standpoint of the national economy.

Distribute worksheet—“Hometown versus Another Town”—found on page V-36.
C. Explain that business decisions also affect the economic condition. As transparency V.11.2 indicates, one company’s decision to locate in a specific area helps the economy of that area. Present the following situations and examples. Ask participants to provide additional examples for each situation.

1. Producers decide what items and how many items to make. Example: Detroit began manufacturing smaller cars because consumers changed preferences.

2. Producers also decide how items are made. Example: Detroit is now automating many operations that in the past were performed manually. This, in turn, has eliminated many jobs and created new, different jobs.

3. Although automation creates jobs for robot designers, builders, and repairers, there is no evidence that the number of new jobs will equal the number of displaced workers.

4. Producers also decide capital expenditures, which influence the economy. Example: IBM has built new facilities in Poughkeepsie, New York, which has enhanced the area’s economy.

D. (Optional) Have participants complete the worksheet, “National/Local Economy,” which relates national economic trends/events to their local economies.

1. Participants should try to describe three local businesses affected by national trends. For example, a local recreational vehicle manufacturer may have gone bankrupt because high interest rates and fuel costs priced its product out of reach.

2. Conduct a brief discussion to allow participants to share their analyses of national/local economic links.

E. Explain that government also affects the economic condition. Present the following situations and examples. Ask participants to provide additional examples for each situation.

1. Governments are major consumers and providers. Example: They buy office equipment and military vehicles. They provide protective services and education.
2. Governments are policymakers. Example: The Federal Reserve determines money supply and Congress sets the minimum wage.

3. Governments' regulations affect the economy. Example: Occupational Safety and Health Administration rules have raised the cost of heavy equipment by requiring the use of additional warning signals. But these rules have also increased the health and safety of workers, which could decrease health costs.

4. Governments redistribute money. Example: Workers support senior citizens through the FICA tax.

5. Governments affect the economy with foreign trade decisions. Example: The U.S. steel industry might be helped if high import duty were placed on foreign steel, but this government trade policy could also lead to trade wars.

F. Have participants complete the worksheet “Governments' Role in the Economy.” Each person should list five examples from national and/or local government that have not been discussed in the group. Some examples include the following:

1. Local governments act as service-providers in fire service and ambulance service.

2. National governments act as policymakers in determining safety requirements for shipment of hazardous wastes.

3. Local governments act as regulators in local traffic laws and animal control laws.

4. Like businesses, governments are consumers of office supplies and equipment, contracted services, etc.

5. While discussing the group’s answers, explain that there can be overlap. For example, building codes often provide for inspectors, who are regulators.

G. Summarize the preceding discussion by indicating that decisions made by lots of different groups—consumers, governments, and businesses—affect economic conditions.
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<td>2. The point should be made, however, that the other choices may be gradually affected by new technologies. The following are examples:</td>
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<td>- C. housing—automatic nailers</td>
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<td>- D. laundry—conveyor-type cleaning devices</td>
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<td>3. Emphasize the fact that technological influences will grow ever more significant and eventually affect virtually all occupations. For example, many drafters employed by General Electric have been displaced by computer-assisted design systems. Similarly the development of the word processor is changing secretarial duties.</td>
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<td><strong>B. Discuss how changing technologies affect the economy. Present the following types of changes and associated examples. Then ask participants to present additional examples of changes made in the economy from 1960 to 1980.</strong></td>
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<td>1. Computers have greatly affected the economy. Example: Most banking and financial operations have been revolutionized by the introduction of automatic teller machines, electronic funds transfer, and other data processing equipment.</td>
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<td>2. Many labor saving devices have reduced the cost of items. Example: The automation of the car industry lowered the costs of Ford's first, and then of other brands as more companies adopted assembly lines.</td>
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<td>3. Consumer habits are affected by changing technologies. Example: Convenience foods (frozen or in boilable bag) are available through technological advances and are increasingly demanded by modern consumers.</td>
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<td>C. (Optional) Have participants present one example of an industry with which they are personally familiar, which has been influenced (either positively or negatively) by changing technology.</td>
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<td>1. An example of a local business that benefited from technology might be a manufacturer that was able to reduce the cost of its product through cheaper component parts because of automation.</td>
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<td>2. An example of a local business that suffered because of technology might be a telephone answering service that was forced to close because of new automated systems offered by telephone companies.</td>
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<td>D. Use transparency V.11.5 to introduce the idea of business conditions and the economy. The best answer is “D” because business security is important regardless of conditions and might even prosper because of the need for increased security during poor economic times.</td>
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<td>E. Present the fact that business conditions affect the economy.</td>
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<td>Show transparency V.11.5—“Business/Recession”—found on page V-51.</td>
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<td>2. Some businesses are less affected by these cycles. Examples include the health care industry and food production.</td>
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<td>3. Some businesses are susceptible to bad economic climates. Examples include the luxury boat business and the vacation/leisure business.</td>
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<td>4. Some businesses are helped by bad economic climates. Examples include collection agencies and bankruptcy lawyers.</td>
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F. Discuss how the population pattern is affected by the economy. Ask participants to discuss examples of population patterns in their geographic area.

1. Baby booms stimulate the economy as children grow up but can depress the economy if they lead to a glut of unemployed young workers.

2. As the number of senior citizens grows, the economy has to change to meet their needs. Examples of these special needs are housing and health care.

G. Discuss the fact that consumer preferences greatly affect the economy.

1. As life-styles change, the economy changes. Example: The increased number of working women has meant that the restaurant industry is now booming. Day-care centers are another example.

2. Changing age patterns have affected consumer preference. Example: The influence of youth caused by the post-World War II baby boom led to more leisure-oriented clothing styles.

3. Changing income levels affect consumer preference and the economy. Example: As the number of two-income families rises, the vacation industry expands because couples have more money to spend on vacation.

H. Explain that resources have an effect on national and local economies. Present the following examples and ask participants to provide additional examples.

1. The 1973 oil embargo is still affecting the national economy because it raised petroleum prices.

2. Some local economies are directly linked to the rise and fall of resources. Example: Scranton, Pennsylvania, a coal producer, boomed until oil became more popular; then it lagged.

3. The exhaustion of a natural resource can limit a local economy. Example: Some booming Sun Belt states have reached the limit of their water supply, and so, further growth may be difficult.
4. Energy supply can affect local economies. Example: The Northeast was originally industrialized because of water power.

IV. The *Occupational Outlook Handbook* and the Economy (Small Group Activity)

A. Explain that the *OOH* contains information related to the ideas that have been discussed.

1. The introductory chapters of the *OOH* address many aspects of the economy in varying degrees. Examples include the sections “Tomorrow’s Jobs” and “Economic Assumptions.”

2. Throughout the *OOH*, economic concepts are addressed. For example, the job outlook for most health care providers is described as favorable because of changing population patterns and rising incomes.

B. Divide participants into small groups (two or three people each). Ask the groups to locate at least five examples of economic ideas presented in the sections of the *OOH* just described. Examples include the following:

1. Manufacturing—improved production and stiff competition held employment growth in this sector to the lowest except for agriculture.

2. Assumptions—it is assumed that federal grants-in-aid to state and local governments will decline.

C. Have groups discuss their findings.

V. Infusion and the Economy (Participant Exercise)

A. Have each participant develop an activity that infuses into the curriculum an idea presented in this learning experience.

Participants can work individually or in small groups.

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<td>B.</td>
<td>Ask a few participants to share their activity ideas.</td>
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<td>C.</td>
<td>(Optional) Rather than each participant developing another lesson plan, volunteers may present a previously developed infused lesson plan to the group.</td>
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### VI. Wrap-Up

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<td>Indicate that in the next learning experience participants will discuss the relationship between technological change and job security.</td>
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### Notes

Use the "Lesson Plan Format" found on page V-41. Provide participants with appropriate Related Activities found on pages V-71–V-77.
THE ECONOMY

The study of economics is the study of people living and working together and of how they provide for their needs and wants. Economics involves money, food, factories, people, war, farming, energy, laws, profits, taxes, prosperity, and depression. In short, it is the exploration of how and why people trade, produce, save, and spend.

Learning economics can be as complex as our complex society, but it does not have to be. Economic concepts are fairly simple and easy to learn, and they apply to all aspects of daily living.

As our society has changed from an agrarian to an industrial to a computer society, so has our economy changed. Just as the colonist of the 1700s needed to understand the barter system, today's citizen should understand electronic fund transfer. The information explosion of our current society has made understanding the interrelationships of the elements that constitute our economy more difficult, but an understanding of a few basic economic concepts is all that is necessary for a fundamental knowledge base.

Both the local and national economies are very complex and function as the result of many interrelated events. It is impossible to treat an event as having an isolated effect on either the local or the national economy. Thus, a fire that destroys a neighborhood supermarket that has obvious impact on the local economic climate could also have an eventual impact on the national economy because of its effect on insurance rates.

There are many factors that influence both local and national economies. Some examples of these factors are business conditions, population patterns, consumer preferences, and resource availability. It is obvious that the local economy of a retirement community will be different from that of a manufacturing area. Similarly, the national economy reflects the changes in population. As the general population has a larger percentage of older people, the economy changes as a result.

In general, changes in the local economy reflect changes in the national economy. For example, the high interest rates nationwide tend to depress local housing and automobile markets. Similarly, familiarity with local economic conditions generally makes it easier to understand national economic conditions.

A final consideration concerns the effect of changing technology on both local and national economies. The general principle is that improved productivity leads to higher real wages. Obviously, then, improving technology will lead to improving real wages, and this can be seen by comparing real wages at the beginning of the industrial era to real wages today.

Unfortunately, improving technology can have negative impact on some workers. For example, automation, while improving factory working conditions, can lead to job loss for some workers.

Our nation is now entering the "computer era," which will bring as many changes as did the "industrial era." This new era will affect the economy in ways that cannot be predicted.
HOMETOWN VERSUS ANOTHER TOWN

Directions: Compare the housing, demography, income level, and consumer tastes in your hometown with a community of different size. Use a town with which you are familiar. Write brief descriptions for each category.

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<td>Income level</td>
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NATIONAL/LOCAL ECONOMY

Directions: Choose three national events, such as the oil embargo of 1973. Next list one local business that was affected by each event. Finally, describe the effect the national event had on local business in your area.

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### GOVERNMENTS’ ROLE IN THE ECONOMY

**Directions:** List five examples of local and/or national government agencies and mark each agency's appropriate role.

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MODEL LESSON PLAN

Title: Where Do You Stand

Grade Level: 12
Subject Area: Economics/Social Studies

Lesson Goal: The student will learn that the nation’s economic condition is constantly changing because of decisions made by businesses, consumers, and governments. Factors which affect national and local economies include changing technologies, business conditions, population patterns, consumer preferences, and availability of resources.

Lesson Objective: The student will be able to describe three examples of how governments’ action affects the national economy.

Time Requirement: 45 minutes

Description of Activity:

1. Students individually complete worksheet.

2. Each student chooses one item from each column (support, oppose, and undecided) and writes a brief explanation of the effect each would have on the economy and the reasons for support, opposition, or indecision.

3. A survey determines which issue is most evenly divided between support and opposition.

4. Class is divided into supporters and opposers of the issue identified by step 3 and the sides debate depending on their pro or con stance.

5. At the close of the debate, each issue is discussed for examples of possible effects on the economy.

Resources:

Materials: Handout, "Where Do You Stand on These Issues?"

Evaluation: Given the list of government actions, each student will be able to describe possible effects on the economy which could result from three of the actions.

Source: Con-Ec-Tions, Vol. III, #1 October, 1981
WHERE DO YOU STAND ON THESE ISSUES?

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<td>2. Mandatory wage and price controls.</td>
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<td>3. Public-supported health care for all citizens.</td>
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<td>5. A Constitutional Amendment requiring a balanced budget.</td>
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LESSON PLAN FORMAT

Title:

Grade Level:

Lesson Goal:

Lesson Objective(s):
     Career Development:
     Instructional:

Time Requirement:

Description of Activity:

Resources:
     Materials:
     People:
     Space/Equipment:

Evaluation:
INTEREST RATES

High interest rates have the most effect on the employment of:

A. automobile salespersons
B. medical technicians
C. plumbers
D. bank tellers
BUSINESS DECISIONS

An electronics firm producing integrated chips for computers has decided to relocate to an area and will hire 500 people. This will be a boost to the local economy because a foundry has closed in the past year laying off 500 people. Discuss the impact of this business decision on:

- Availability of workers
- Employability of former foundry workers
- Training programs at area schools
- Geographic mobility patterns of workers
GOVERNMENT ROLES

Government acts in the capacity of consumer, policymaker, service provider, and regulator at various times.

Indicate which role the government plays in the following: (C) (P) (S) (R)

- Ordering office supplies
- Providing health services at a V.A. hospital
- Teaching elementary students
- Issuing a building permit
- Setting of the discount rate by the Federal Reserve Bank
- Restaurant and food inspection
- Services of the office of vocational rehabilitation
- Mail delivery
- Publication of the unemployment rate
- Weather reports
- Coast guard search and rescue
- Fire departments services
TECHNOLOGY

Employment in which industry is most affected by automation?

a. automotive
b. security
c. housing
d. laundry
BUSINESS/RECESSION

An example of an industry that is least likely to suffer a business downturn during a recession is:

A. steel
B. autos
C. amusement and recreation
D. business security services
LEARNING EXPERIENCE III
TECHNOLOGICAL CHANGE AND JOB SECURITY

KEY CONCEPT: Technological change affects the job security of workers and the skills required of workers. As productivity increases as a result of technological changes, real wages also increase.

COMPETENCIES: Workshop participants will be better able to—
1. provide examples of how technological changes affect the job security of workers and the skills of workers and
2. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula the idea that technological changes affect the job security and skills of workers.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: Workshop participants will demonstrate, through their interaction during the debate and role-playing activities, an understanding of how technological changes affect the job security and skills of workers.

Workshop participants will develop an infused lesson that relates to the above concept and that uses information from the Occupational Outlook Handbook.

OVERVIEW: This concept is particularly important today. The chances of an unskilled person getting a high paying job in the late 1980s are very slim. Indeed, many working adults have faced job layoffs because of the changing work place. It is important for teachers to try to make their students (and their parents) realize that the industry-occupation structure of the economy is changing and that future job entrants need to take this into account during career planning. Discussion during this learning experience can be useful in reinforcing the importance of education to young people as they prepare for and compete for job opportunities. A better educated working class will typically earn higher salaries.

INSTRUCTOR’S INFORMATION: Time Estimate 120 minutes
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Role-Playing Game (Handout Exercise)—page V-57
Knowledge Quiz (Handout Exercise)—page V-59
I. Introduction of Learning Experience

A. Tell participants that the purpose of this activity is to explore the ramifications of changing technology for workers and the economy.

B. Provide a brief review of the activities included in the learning experience. You may wish to mention that role playing is among these activities.

C. Use transparency V. III. 1 to introduce the concepts contained within this learning experience.

1. The answer to question 1 on the transparency is “D.” Point out that work then was also characterized by low wages and unskilled or semiskilled tasks. Most industry was of the “cottage” type in which workers produced goods in their homes.

2. The answer to question 2 is “C” because computerization of telecommunications will allow productivity improvements, reducing the need for operators in spite of strong growing demand for telephone services.

II. Job Security and Technology (Minilecture)

A. Discuss how the job security of workers is affected by changing technology. Mention the following points:

1. As the nation has moved into the computer age, job security for many people has decreased. For example, drafters at General Electric have been replaced by Computer-Assisted Design (CAD)/Computer-Assisted Manufacturing (CAM) computers, painters by pressurized speed painting tools, and assemblers by industrial robots.

2. The Luddites of nineteenth century England tried to destroy knitting machines because they feared the machines would threaten their jobs. Indeed, the cottage weaving industry was eliminated as people were employed by the new mills.

B. Ask participants to provide examples of jobs threatened by technology. Examples include all labor intensive work suitable for automation. This discussion could become wide-ranging if participants mention The Third Wave by Alvin Tofler or Mega-Trends by John Naisbitt.
III. Worker Skills and Technology

A. Discuss how skills required of workers may increase or decrease with changing technology. Mention the following:

1. More sophisticated machinery has reduced the need for unskilled labor. Examples include automated assembly machines, automated in-house mail delivery, and automated car washes.

2. As machines become more complicated, the education/training necessary to enable workers to operate them increases. Where formerly a high school diploma and a brief on-the-job orientation were sufficient, now completion of a postsecondary training program is required to operate the more complicated machines. Also, older workers may need retraining to adjust to new technologies introduced in their jobs.

3. New technology may also reduce complex jobs to simpler tasks and decrease the skill requirements for some jobs, such as compositors and typesetters.

B. Ask participants to list jobs that have become more demanding in terms of education/training requirements. Participants may use the D.O.T. listing in the OOH for ideas. Examples could include a wide variety of occupations. Examples:

Accountants—New computerized account systems require more technical skills.
Chefs—As the public has begun eating out more, tastes have become more sophisticated, requiring higher level cooking skills.
Mechanics—New electronic diagnostic tools require a greater degree of training.

IV. Changing Technology and Productivity

A. Discuss how changing technologies can increase productivity, which eventually increases real wages. Productivity refers to the total cost per product. Thus, automation can improve productivity because it allows more items to be made faster, at reduced labor cost. Make the following points:

1. Wages for production workers have gradually increased since the industrial age began in the 1800s.
2. As productivity improves, the costs of goods decrease and workers' wages increase. Examples include the Model T Ford and digital watches. (Ford's assembly line auto workers also received increased wages.)

B. Ask participants to list items that have decreased in cost because of improved productivity. There are many examples: computers, quartz watches, cameras, microwave ovens, and so on.

V. Debate on Automation (Large Group Activity)

A. Divide participants into two groups.

B. Tell participants that they will be involved in a debate. Identify the debate position for each group—(1) pro-automation or (2) anti-automation.

C. Indicate that each group should include the following points in its argument: productivity, wages, job security, worker safety, job satisfaction, and entry requirements. Allow approximately 5 to 10 minutes for preliminary discussion within the groups.

D. Conduct the debate by giving each participant one minute to present his/her views. For the next 15 minutes, allow participants to debate the issue informally from the perspective assigned to their group.

VI. Role-Playing Game (Optional)

A. Explain that participants are going to play a role-playing game using cards to identify roles and events. One person will act as a fortune teller, who will announce an event, such as business taxes being raised. Another will act as a reporter, who will interview workers about how the event affects them. The rest of the participants will take the roles of workers, who will identify their roles from job cards they select.

B. Ask one participant to be the fortune teller and give him/her the "Event Cards" from the "Occupation Cards" set. Ask another to act the role of the cub reporter.

C. Ask the rest of the participants to select "Job Cards" to identify their roles. Each card represents an occupation.

Write the responses on the chalkboard or a large sheet of paper.

Keep the debate lively and fast-moving.

Alternate pro and con sides.

This activity may be used to introduce Learning Experience I of this module if appropriate for the group's skill level. Use the "Job Cards" and the "Event Cards" in the "Occupation Cards" set found on pages V-61 and V-62. Cut apart the cards before the activity begins.
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<td><strong>D.</strong> Conduct the role-playing game. For each round of the game, the fortune teller draws an event card and announces the event, and the cub reporter selects one or two workers to interview. During the interviews, the workers describe how the event affects their jobs. Then the fortune teller announces another event, the cub reporter interviews one or two other workers, and so on.</td>
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<td><strong>VII. The OOH and changing Technologies (Minilecture)</strong></td>
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<td><strong>A.</strong> Point out references to changing technologies in the <em>Occupational Outlook Handbook</em>.</td>
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<td>1. Both &quot;Tomorrow's Jobs&quot; and &quot;Assumptions&quot; address the issues of technology. Examples:</td>
<td>List participant responses on the chalkboard or on a large sheet of paper.</td>
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<td>- &quot;Tomorrow's Jobs&quot;—Employment in agriculture will decline because of increased productivity due to advancing technology.</td>
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<td>2. Individual occupations include references to advancing technologies. The obvious ones, of course, are the computer occupations, but many other industries are affected.</td>
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<td><strong>B.</strong> Ask participants to identify two occupations other than computer services that illustrate technological impact. An example is the job outlook for typists. The number of typists is expected to grow slowly as word processing technology increases productivity.</td>
<td>Participants can work individually or in small groups.</td>
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<td><strong>VIII. Infusing of Changing Technologies (Participant Exercise)</strong></td>
<td>Use the &quot;Lesson Plan Format&quot; found on page V-65.</td>
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<td><strong>A.</strong> Ask participants to develop an activity that infuses into their curricula an idea presented in this learning experience.</td>
<td>Distribute &quot;Model Lesson Plan&quot; on page V-63.</td>
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<td>B. Ask a few participants to share their ideas.</td>
<td>Provide participants with appropriate Related Activities on pages V-71–V-77.</td>
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<td>C. (Optional) Rather than each participant developing another lesson plan, volunteers may present a previously developed infused lesson plan to the group.</td>
<td>Provide participants with Resources found on pages V-87–V-91.</td>
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<td>IX. Wrap-Up</td>
<td>Distribute worksheet—&quot;Knowledge Quiz&quot;—found on page V-66.</td>
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<td>A. Ask participants whether they have any questions regarding what has been discussed in this learning experience or the module.</td>
<td>Distribute the post-workshop portion of the &quot;Competency Self-Assessment&quot; and the &quot;Workshop Effectiveness&quot; form on pages V-82 and V-84.</td>
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<td>B. (Optional) Administer the &quot;Knowledge Quiz&quot; on economic concepts. Discussion can reinforce knowledge of the concept in this module. Answers are—</td>
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OCCUPATION CARDS

Job Cards (cut on lines) Make copy of the page and cut copy.

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<td>Factory is automated.</td>
<td>Government spending is halved.</td>
<td>Interest rate is cut by 3 percent.</td>
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<td>Number of illegal aliens is reduced through deportation.</td>
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<td>Number of college students declines.</td>
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<td>Electronic shopping is established.</td>
<td>Unemployment is high.</td>
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MODEL LESSON PLAN

Title: The Year 2000

Grade Level: 9

Subject Area: Science/Industrial Arts/English

Lesson Goal: The student will learn that technological change affects the job security of workers and the skills required of workers. As productivity increases as a result of technical changes, real wages also increase.

Lesson Objective: The student will be able to describe possible changes in three occupations by the year 2000 and the impact these changes will have on job security of those workers.

Time Requirement: 45-90 minutes

Description of Activity:
1. Each student uses the 2000 AD calendar to find the day of the week on which his/her birthday will fall and calculates his/her age.

2. Each student lists three possible occupations in which he/she might be engaged in the year 2000.

3. For each of the three occupations, the student lists two possible technological advances and the effect it would have on his/her job security (Example: Carpenter—Use of modular construction and prefabrication might severely limit job openings).

4. A class discussion focuses on students' analysis of the most/least technology affected occupation.

Resources:

Materials: Calendar for the year 2000

Evaluation: Each student will be able to list at least three possible technological changes occurring by the year 2000.

Source: Career Exploration Project, Wayne, MI

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### CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR 2000

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LESSON PLAN FORMAT

Title:

Grade Level: Subject Area:

Lesson Goal:

Lesson Objective(s):
  Career Development:
  Instructional:

Time Requirement:

Description of Activity:

Resources:
  Materials:
  People:
  Space/Equipment:

Evaluation:
KNOWLEDGE QUIZ

1. An example of an industry that is least likely to suffer a business downturn during a recession is:
   a. housing  
   b. luxury boat sales  
   c. nursing home operation  
   d. automotive manufacturing

2. Low interest rates would probably be least important to the employment status of which worker?
   a. auto worker  
   b. steel worker  
   c. mason  
   d. physician

3. Which local resource is most critical to further development in the West?
   a. water  
   b. oil  
   c. natural gas  
   d. sunlight

4. The government decides to impose a tariff on certain imported items. This would primarily be done in order to:
   a. reduce the cost to consumers  
   b. increase government revenue  
   c. reduce the foreign trade deficit  
   d. increase the price of the items

5. Employment in which industry is most affected by automation?
   a. housing  
   b. nursing home operation  
   c. security  
   d. automotive manufacturing

6. Which occupation is least affected by the increase in two-income families?
   a. dentists  
   b. food counter workers  
   c. personnel and labor relations specialists  
   d. day-care center workers
7. What item is least affected by the geographic location of a city?
   a. food costs
   b. utility costs
   c. clothing costs
   d. transportation costs

8. Which worker would probably have the least stable employment in Detroit, Michigan?
   a. supermarket manager
   b. utility repairperson
   c. dentist
   d. auto worker

9. What is the major advantage of working in an area that has a diversified industrial base?
   a. more stable employment
   b. better restaurants
   c. lower rents
   d. higher pay

10. Which group in society was probably most affected by the dawn of the industrial age?
    a. scholars
    b. young children
    c. teachers
    d. working class

11. What is least descriptive of work during the agrarian era of the United States?
    a. physically demanding
    b. semiskilled or unskilled
    c. highly paid
    d. nonmechanical

12. In the near future computerization and other new technologies will have what effect on the skill requirements of many jobs?
    a. increase the skills required
    b. decrease the skills required
    c. both a and b above
    d. require all workers to have a college degree

13. In general, automation of a production factory operation brings all of the following except:
    a. an increase in blue-collar workers
    b. safer working conditions
    c. cleaner working conditions
    d. higher productivity
14. In the future, retraining for older workers will probably become:
   a. insignificant
   b. less frequent
   c. less important
   d. more important

15. Changing technologies will probably mean that job requirements will change:
   a. less often
   b. more often
   c. only in manufacturing
   d. about the same as always
FROM PAST TO FUTURE

1. What is most descriptive of work during the "agrarian era" of the US?
   A. highly skilled
   B. thought-provoking
   C. very easy
   D. manual in nature

2. Which worker will have the poorest job outlook in the "computer age"?
   A. systems analyst
   B. medical technician
   C. telephone operators
   D. manager
RELATED ACTIVITIES

The activities described below have been conducted in a school situation. They were identified through an extensive literature review and, or, interviews with school personnel. Some of them were field tested prior to inclusion in the training package. These are starred, and detailed information is provided regarding them. Some activities are more general and do not include instructional objectives.

Concept: A community's local economic condition is determined by the nature of its population, climate, geographic location, resources, mix of industries, and public policies.

*Title: Economic Awareness  Grade Level: 6  Subject Area: Science

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to describe those weather factors which influence the economy.

Time Requirement: Several days  Materials: Daily newspapers

Learning Activity:
1. Students keep track of the weather over several days.
2. Students compile a list of occupations and industries affected by the weather (e.g., farming, winter resorts).
3. Students write descriptions of how the weather affects the economy.

Source: Career Education in Schalmont, Schalmont Central Schools, 401 Duanesburg, Schenectady, NY 12306, 1980.

Title: Interdependence of Workers  Grade Level: Secondary  Subject Area: Social Studies

Learning Activity: Students study the interdependence of workers in a community and how that affects the economicsystem.

Title: Weather Forecasting  Grade Level: Secondary  Subject Area: Science

Learning Activity: Students study the importance of accurate weather forecasting to the economy.

Concept: The nation's economic condition is constantly changing because of decisions made by businesses, consumers, and governments. Factors which affect national and local economies include changing technologies, business conditions, population patterns, consumer preferences, and availability of resources.

*Title: Economic Awareness  Grade Level: K  Subject Area: Social Studies

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to describe how one's purchasing power relates to wages.

Time Requirement: Four 15-minute class discussions
Learning Activity:
1. The class discusses reasons why adults work and the teacher lists them.
2. The class discusses five uses of the money parents earn and the teacher lists them.
3. The class discusses "piggy banks" or allowance and how this is similar to money parents earn.
4. The class discusses the idea that you can purchase only what you have enough money to buy.


*Title: Economic Awareness
Grade Level: 1
Subject Area: Math

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to explain the relationship between their "jobs" and their "purchases."

Time Requirement: At least several weeks
Materials: Play money or tokens

Learning Activity:
1. The teacher lists a variety of daily classroom jobs (emptying baskets, cleaning chalkboards, etc.) and assigns arbitrary wages in either play money or tokens.
2. Each student chooses a job and performs it one day each week.
3. The teacher pays "wages" at the end of the week. (Student may be allowed more than one job if desired.)
4. The teacher sets up "store" containing small items which can be "purchased" by students with "wages."


*Title: Pet Patrol
Grade Level: 1
Subject Area: Reading

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to list three reasons why pet control protects humans and three reasons why it protects animals.

Time Requirement: Two 45-minute sessions
Materials: Paper bags for hand puppets

Learning Activity:
1. A guest representing the animal humane shelter discusses the role of shelter and specifically the different aspects of animal control. The issues of both animal and human protection should be addressed. Also, the issue of household expenditures (taxes) being spent on government activities (the shelter) is discussed.
2. On a subsequent day, the students make hand puppets from paper bags to represent dogs and role-play possible scenes between dogs and dog-warden. Both licensed and stray dogs should be shown.
3. (Optional) Class takes trip to the local animal humane shelter.


*Title: Sidewalks
Grade Level: 3
Subject Area: Social Studies

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to explain the relationship between personal household expenditures and government services.

Time Requirement: 45 minutes
Materials: Story
Learning Activity:
1. The teacher reads the following story.
2. The class discusses the points made in the story.
3. The class discusses related personal experiences.

Story

"All the residents of Maryland Street wanted to have sidewalks built along the street. Individual people could not afford to have sidewalks built themselves. Together they went to the mayor and asked that the city pay for the sidewalks. The mayor said the city could only afford to put a sidewalk on one side of the street; but, the street department would have time to do both sides of the street if money was available."

Now, what is the problem on Maryland Street? Yes, Jim, the residents want sidewalks on both sides of their street and the city can afford to do only one side. What else? Yes, Sara, neither individuals nor the city can afford the sidewalks on both sides. What can they do? (Have the city put in the one side.) Now assuming the people along Maryland Street are working together, what ways can they get a sidewalk on the other side of the street? (People on both sides of the street could all contribute money in order to have the other side completed; they could go to a bank and borrow the money; or, they could get together, purchase the raw materials, and build their own sidewalk as a community project.)

If they choose to contribute money themselves, how can they raise it? (The neighborhood residents could hold a rummage or sidewalk sale, a baked goods sale, or a raffle. They could do extra jobs and put that money into a neighborhood building fund. When there is enough money for the job, they can ask the mayor to have his street department put the sidewalk in.)

Who is really paying for the sidewalk that the city could afford to build? (Since tax dollars will be used to build the sidewalk, the city as a whole including the people on Maryland Street are paying for the sidewalk.)

Are people consumers when they use the sidewalk? (Yes, sidewalks provide a service to people who use them and when these services are used the people are consumers of them.)

land, labor, steel, and cement to construct everything they would like. Ask the students to decide what they would choose to build, and give reasons for their choices.


**Title:** How Could That Happen?  
**Grade Level:** 4-7  
**Subject Area:** General

*Instructional Objective:* Students will be able to explain how a change in consumer purchases in one market can have unforeseen consequences in other markets, and predict how supply, demand, and market clearing price and quantity will affect one another in a specific situation involving two different markets.

*Learning Activity:* Students discuss how the following events would effect the supply, demand, price, and quantity of oranges sold. Severe storm destroys many Florida oranges; A newspaper story states that oranges may cause stomach disorders; more oranges are grown; and an apple blight causes the price of apples to increase. Also, have students respond to the following headlines: “NO END IN SIGHT FOR OIL SHORTAGE” by asking how would this affect the demand for clothes made of natural fibers? “SUGAR CROP DESTROYED” by asking, “What effect would this have on the sale of popcorn and other candy substitutes?”


*Title:* Food Prices  
**Grade Level:** 5  
**Subject Area:** Social Studies/Math

*Instructional Objective:* The students will be able to discuss how food prices are affected by various factors.

*Time Requirement:* Several days

*Learning Activity:*  
1. Students collect coupons that aid in reducing food cost and go grocery shopping with an adult once a week for three consecutive weeks.
2. Students then report orally on their experiences related to pricing of items.
3. A grocery store owner speaks to the class regarding pricing of items.


*Title:* Economic Awareness  
**Grade Level:** 6  
**Subject Area:** Math

*Instructional Objective:* The students will be able to discuss factors which influence the economy.

*Time Requirement:* Several weeks  
*Materials:* Newspapers

*Learning Activity:*  
1. Students graph the price fluctuation as advertised in newspapers of ten specific food items.
2. Class discusses the reasons for price fluctuation.


*Title:* Community Industries  
**Grade Level:** 6  
**Subject Area:** English

*Instructional Objective:* The students will be able to define words related to the economy.

*Time Requirement:* 45 minutes
Learning Activity:

1. Teacher lists the vocabulary words on board.
2. Class discusses each word.
3. Each student uses all the words in written sentences.

The terms are the following:

Demand—what people want, ask for, need, or require. (If there weren't any demands for goods and services, there would be no occupations.)

Efficiency—a measure of the amount of output obtained from a given amount of input.

Goods - Services—the products that are created for people and services provided to people.

Input—the amount of resources, natural and human, used in producing a given amount of goods and services.

Investment—the purchase of a piece of machinery, property, a stock or bond yielding a possible income.

Occupation—one's principal business; his or her vocation.

Output—the amount of goods and services produced.

Producers' Goods—goods needed by producers to make consumer goods.

Resources—the things one must have in order to live.
   A. Natural—land, sea, and air from which we obtain lumber, minerals, foodstuffs, and energy.
   B. Human—the human beings who contribute their efforts.
   C. Capital—the tools, machines, factories used in producing goods and services. Also means the money needed to buy all resources needed for production.

Title: Business Cycle  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Social Studies

Learning Activity: Class discusses the business cycle and its effects on the labor market and economy.

Title: Personal Money Management  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Social Studies

Learning Activity: Students study the relationship between personal money management and the economic system.

Title: Recessions  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Social Studies

Learning Activity: Students study how recessions influence the economy.

Title: Inflation  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Social Studies

Learning Activity: Students study the effects of inflation on the economy.

Concept: Technological change affects the job security of workers and the skills required of workers. As productivity increases as a result of technological changes, real wages also increase.

Title: Learning and Earning  
Grade Level: 4-7  
Subject Area: General

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of investing in human capital, how education and training is one way of increasing productivity, and evaluate the consequences of investing in human capital in terms of specific goals.

Learning Activity: Class discusses businesses in the community that have failed. They simulate an investment decision, such as the cost to an accounting firm hiring a student to solve multiplication problems by hand versus the student using a calculator. Students provide examples of someone they know who has invested in further training and discuss advantages and disadvantages of this training, if it has paid off or not. Did these people need to go back to school to keep their jobs, etc.


Title: Technology  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Language Arts

Learning Activity: Students write essays on how they think technology will change society and occupations.

Title: Productivity  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Social Studies

Learning Activity: Class discusses the topic of productivity.

Title: Technological Change  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Social Studies

Learning Activity: Students study the effect of technological change on different occupations.

Title: Technological Changes in Drafting  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Drafting

Learning Activity: Students study the changes in drafting occupations due to technological advances.
**Title:** Computers Cause Changes  
**Grade Level:** Secondary  
**Subject Area:** Math, Science  
**Learning Activity:** Students study use of computers to determine how they have changed various occupations.

**Concept:** All of the previous concepts.

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**Title:** Economy Crossword Puzzle  
**Grade Level:** Elementary  
**Subject Area:** Language Arts  
**Learning Activity:** Teachers develop crossword puzzles that use words related to economic concepts.

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**Title:** Store Operation  
**Grade Level:** Elementary and Secondary  
**Subject Area:** General and Secondary  
**Learning Activity:** This activity has many variations ranging from role playing to actual business. Students establish a corporation and can involve the community.

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**Title:** Matching Games  
**Grade Level:** Elementary  
**Subject Area:** Language Arts  
**Learning Activity:** Teachers develop definition and word matching activity with words related to the economy.
EVALUATION TECHNIQUES

Prior to the workshop, the instructor should administer the Competency Self-Assessment (pre-workshop) to determine how competent the participants think they are in the topics to be taught. The Competency Self-Assessment (post-workshop) is to be administered again at the end of the workshop to identify the level of competency growth. The instructor also should make specific observations during the workshop activities to measure attainment of the performance objectives. An additional instrument is designed to obtain data on the effectiveness of the workshop techniques.

The following questionnaires relate to this module. When more than one module is being taught, the instructor can develop a comprehensive pre-workshop and post-workshop competency self-assessment that addresses the modules used.
ASSESSING PARTICIPANTS’ MASTERY OF PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

The instructor’s outline suggests activities that require written or verbal responses. The following list of performance indicators will assist you in assessing the quality of the participants’ work.

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Directions: For each competency statement that follows, assess your present competency. For each competency statement, circle one letter that best states your current competence by the scale defined below.

COMPETENCE SCALE

Assess your present knowledge or skill in terms of the following competency statements:

a. Very competent: My capabilities are developed sufficiently to perform this competency and to teach it to other people.

b. Competent: I possess most of the capabilities required to perform this competency but I cannot teach it to other people.

c. Minimally competent: I have a few of the capabilities required to perform this competency.

d. Not competent: I cannot perform this competency.

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WORKSHOP EFFECTIVENESS--MODULE V

NAME (Optional) ___________________________________ TITLE _______________________________

INSTITUTION ________________________________________

ADDRESS __________________________________________ TELEPHONE ________________________

1. To what extent were the materials, processes, and organizational aspects of the module successfully used in the presentation and delivery of the module? For those materials, processes, or organizational aspects that you marked as "unsuccessful" or "slightly successful," provide brief comments as to how they might be improved.

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**Materials**

1 2 3 4 Handouts/Worksheets

1 2 3 4 Transparencies

**Processes**

1 2 3 4 Lecture Presentations

1 2 3 4 Large Group Discussions

1 2 3 4 Small Group Sessions

**Organizational Aspects**

1 2 3 4 Module Organization in Terms of the Logical Flow of Ideas

1 2 3 4 Important Concepts Reinforced

1 2 3 4 The Mix of Activities Helpful in Maintaining Interest
2. Indicate those aspects of the module that you liked most and those that you liked least.

   Liked Most

   Comments

   Liked Least

   Comments

3. SUGGESTIONS: Please provide suggestions or comments that you have for improving the workshop, workshop materials, and so on.
RESOURCES

The materials listed below provide additional information on economy issues.


This document contains abstracts or manuscripts of twenty-nine presentations examining the problem of how to cope with inflation and how best to deal with resource shortages, both of which might become even more acute in the future.


This handbook is intended to demonstrate to classroom teachers how to teach economics to children, grades 1-9. Teachers enrolled in the course carry out their own pupil activities which teach economy ideas. These activities include problem solving, case studies, skits, making posters, viewing of films, and role playing. The teachers write a brief description of the concept the activity teaches and the teaching techniques used and share their experience with the activities in group discussion.


This unit helps ninth grade students analyze alternative choices in consumer decision situations and defend the selections; evaluate information and make decisions about what to produce, how to produce, and for whom to produce when making a product to sell; and analyze the interrelationships of producers, consumers, and government, in national and international economic situations. Three parts contain lessons which are inquiry-oriented and are based on student activities. Each lesson contains a stated purpose, a classroom procedure, suggested materials, and activities. Resource pages for activities are included.


The major portion of this publication contains a bibliography of resources which students can utilize in a study of the economic problems of aging. For example, it is suggested that students might make a thorough study of retirement planning, do research on the housing situation of the elderly, or examine the programs of their state and local governments pertaining to the aged. The bibliography that follows cites books, journals, newsletters, monographs, special reports, directories, and a few select journal articles. Also included is a list of both public and
private agencies and organizations with various kinds of programs for the elderly. The appendix contains a paper entitled "The Problems of the Older Worker: Factors that Affect Employment Status."


The booklet presents concepts, generalizations, background information, and learning activities for use in elementary and secondary school programs on energy, ecology, and economic issues. Major objectives of the resource guide are to help students understand problems related to the energy situation and to promote constructive changes in attitude and behavior in dealing with the energy challenge. Learning activities involve students in discussing key concepts such as fuel supplies and energy policies; defining terms; taking multiple-choice tests; writing research papers; identifying conservation measures; devising steps to implement energy conservation; participating in group projects; drawing cartoons, posters, and energy timelines; debating energy policies; and setting up water and energy saving guidelines. Grade level is identified for each learning activity.


This publication provides a basic analysis of the nation’s energy status and attempts to relate a realistic projection of the future. It projects available alternatives to a total economic collapse considering the lack of a national energy policy at the time of writing. The three parts of this publication examine the energy dilemma, present petroleum and natural gas supply information, and suggest the future outcome of the energy crisis for the United States. The energy outlook presented in this book is not an optimistic one.


This publication indicates that there is no present consensus regarding long-term consequences of rural industrialization on society. Since 1950, smaller rural communities in the south and southwestern United States have gained in industrialization due to their generally low-wage nonunion labor supply and lower tax structure, both attractive to industry seeking greater profits. The aggressive state and promotional leadership in the south along with federal, state, and local subsidies have proven that even very small communities can attract industry if they are eager to do so and prepared enough to deal positively with the mixed social and economic consequences. The solution to the question of a changing rural social structure lies not in unguided rural industrialization but in a purposive set of policy alternatives based on community values and goals.

This series of five guides aids teachers in helping students to achieve a high degree of economic literacy. These guides were prepared to assist school teachers, preservice students, and others interested in economic education with the identification and location of important economic concepts that are contained in the vast array of teaching materials and tests available in the social studies, and gives suggestions as to how these concepts might be taught at different grade levels.


Endeavoring to reach a goal of economic literacy, this K-12 economic resource guide provides the teacher with a context, concepts, and content about the economics of American society and the study of economics in general. This resource guide presents eight economic units: man and his environment; socialization of man; economic society; a social institution; economic system or market; consumption function and the product market; the production function and the factor market; modifications of the market mechanism; and measuring and determining the performance of the economic system: growth and stability. Each unit includes a description of the context, a list of economic concepts related to the topic, and detailed outlines of the content areas. Short histories of money and banking in appendices conclude the guide.


This paper discusses how we are witnessing an historic shift in our approach to employment policy that will have profound implications for educators. This shift is most recognizable in the waning influence of demand-side economics and the ascendance of supply-side economics. Recent indications are that public policy is no longer firmly committed to maintaining full employment. Demand-side policies were built on the idea that the American economy was mature and has used its capacity for growth. In reality, America is on the edge of a technological revolution. Studies on entrepreneurship education and its effectiveness are needed.

This document covers strategies, methods, and practices best suited for infusing career education into business education. It includes a discussion of career education concepts and discusses practical suggestions for developing infused lessons.

Economic Education Across the Curriculum. Mark Schug, Phi Delta Kappa Educational Foundation, 1982. ED 223 503

The definition of economics education, reasons for studying it, ways of integrating it into the K-12 curriculum, approaches to teaching it, and criteria for evaluating it are the foci of this booklet. Economics education is helping young people learn to make economic choices, understand basic economic concepts, and apply important economic goals in their decision making. Students should study economics to develop the critical knowledge and skills they need as citizens to make intelligent decisions and to help shape economic policy. Criteria that educators can use to assess materials sponsored by corporations, banks, government agencies, public utilities, trade associations, and labor unions are presented, and steps that a school district can take to improve economic education are suggested.


This document examines ways in which economics can enhance the business education curriculum, and it discusses the process of using existing curriculum as the basis for integration using four steps: (1) examination of economic content, (2) examination of course curriculum, (3) determination of applicable economic concepts, and (4) selection of activities and materials.


One component of the "Master Curriculum Guide in Economics for the Nation's Schools," this guide demonstrates, through sample lessons, how the conceptual structure of economics, presented in Part 1 of the series, can be taught in the K-12 curricula. The guide is designed to accelerate economics instruction at all grade levels, including the college-level social studies methods course. Lessons are organized by four major categories: Concept Learning, Inquiry, Skills Learning, and Value Analysis. Information presented for each lesson includes grade level, teaching method, economic concepts, objectives, materials needed, and teaching procedures. Also provided in the guide is a classification of lessons by economic concepts and discussions of concept learning and deductive and inductive teaching approaches. Student handouts are included.


This publication examines techniques for integrating consumer and economic education into the K-12 social studies curriculum. The intended audience includes school administrators, curriculum developers, and classroom teachers. Many practitioners have found
that consumer education is an excellent area for developing the skills of economic analysis. Students find relevance in applying economic concepts to consumer situations since they have already assumed the role of consumers. Examined are the planning procedures for curriculum change, determining the implementation method, and the process of curriculum development and change. The appendices contain a glossary of concepts and a ranking procedure used to develop the hierarchy.

An Economics Primer for Educators. Texas Education Agency, Austin, TX, 1981. ED 205 443

This publication provides an introduction to basic concepts that form the core of economics education and gives a framework for curriculum planning and teaching. A brief introduction addresses the topic “Why Study Economics?” One major reason for promoting economic education may be to create a literate voting population. Concepts discussed include interdependence; markets, supply, and demand; the price mechanism; aggregate supply and productive capacity; aggregate demand, unemployment and inflation; money and monetary policy; fiscal policy, and saving and investment.

Consumer Education Sourcebook. Dorothy Langnus, Social Science Consortium, Boulder, CO, 1980. ED 918 861

An annotated list of currently available student and teacher resources for consumer education in grades K-12 is provided. Student materials include current (1976 or later) textbooks; supplementary print materials such as pamphlets, books, duplicating masters, transparencies, and workbooks; audiovisual materials; and games and simulations. The grade level, reading level, price, subject area, strategies and requirements for use, and consumer economics focus are provided for each entry. Teacher materials are handbooks and sourcebooks which provide background information on consumer economics, curriculum guides for planning courses or programs, and a variety of materials indexed in planning courses or programs, and a variety of materials indexed in ERIC.
REFERENCES


MODULE VI
EXPLORING CAREERS
INTRODUCTION

This module addresses two concepts that are designed to enable teachers to help their students explore various career options. By referring to concepts previously discussed in other modules, presenters can use this module as a summary chapter for the entire training package. The individual presenters, of course, must determine which references are appropriate for their groups.

CATEGORY: Career Exploration

KEY CONCEPTS: 1. An understanding of personal attributes, including interests, abilities, work values, training, and experience, is important in occupational choice.

2. An understanding of occupational characteristics, including the nature of the work, job outlook, earnings, working conditions, required training, other job qualifications, and advancement opportunities, is important in occupational choice.

COMPETENCIES: After the completion of this module, workshop participants (teachers of various subjects) will be better able to—

1. explain how knowledge of personal attributes can improve occupational choice;

2. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula information on understanding personal attributes as they relate to occupational choice;

3. explain how knowledge of occupational characteristics can improve occupational choice; and

4. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula information on understanding occupational characteristics as they relate to occupational choice.
LEARNING EXPERIENCE I

PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES

KEY CONCEPT: An understanding of personal attributes, including interests, abilities, work values, training, and experience, is important in occupational choice.

COMPETENCIES: Workshop participants will be better able to—

1. explain how knowledge of personal attributes can improve occupational choice and

2. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula information on understanding personal attributes as they relate to occupational choice.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE: Workshop participants will develop an infused lesson that uses information from the *Occupational Outlook Handbook* and relates to the above concept.

OVERVIEW: Understanding personal attributes is particularly important for making wise career decisions. This learning experience focuses on a person’s self-understanding. Participants will engage in a self-analysis activity. This module builds on the theories discussed in Module I, and participants may benefit if this module is presented immediately after the first module.

INSTRUCTOR'S INFORMATION:

- Time Estimate: 90 minutes
- Workshop Resources: *Occupational Outlook Handbook*
  
  - Handouts
  - Interests and Abilities Graphs—page VI-13
  - Personal Career Ladder—page VI-14
  - Career Ladders—page VI-15
  - Role Play Cards—page VI-16
  - Model Lesson Plan—page VI-17
  - Lesson Plan Format—page VI-18
  
  - Transparency Masters
  - Personal Ability—page VI-19
  - Work Values—page VI-21
  - Training and Experience—page VI-23

- Instructional Methods: Minilectures, Participant Exercises, Handout Exercise, VI-3
Optional Activities

Problem-Solving Circle (Group Discussion)—page V1-7
Career Ladders (Handout Exercise)—page V1-9
Role Play of Worker Profiles (Handout Exercise)—page V1-9
Instructor's Outline

I. Introduction of Learning Experience

A. Discuss the purpose of this experience—to explore careers from the standpoint of an individual's characteristics.

B. Use transparency VI.I.1 to introduce this learning experience. The answer to the item shown is "B" because "A" and "C" are physical characteristics and "D" is an interest.

C. Emphasize that this entire learning experience will explore personal characteristics from the standpoint that when exploring careers, individuals should first understand themselves. This learning experience is designed to explore basic personal traits which are important to analyze for self-understanding.

II. Exploring Personal Attributes (Minilecture)

A. Explain that occupational choice is improved by an understanding of personal characteristics. Satisfaction in a career is usually the result of fairly close agreement between personal attributes and job characteristics.

B. Have participants give three examples of how personal attributes might relate to job requirements. For example, a person who speaks three languages might be a good travel agent or tour guide.

III. Personal Interest and Abilities (Handout Exercise)

A. Indicate that personal interests are those things a person enjoys doing or would like to do. For example, some people like working with their hands (e.g., sewing, building, drawing).

B. Explain that personal abilities are those skills in which a person can perform well. For example, a person may be good at drawing caricatures of friends.

C. Point out that people are often interested in the things they have the ability to do well, but this is not always the case. For example, a person may possess the finger dexterity needed by pianists but be uninterested in music.

If appropriate, administer the pre-workshop portion of "Competency Self-Assessment" found on page VI-56.

Show transparency VI.I.1—"Personal Ability"—found on page VI-19.

List attributes on a chalkboard or large sheet of paper.
D. Discuss the idea that in career exploration or career decision making, personal interests and abilities should be considered, but that it is impossible to have a direct match between personal interests and abilities and job requirements.

E. Have each participant complete an interests/abilities chart.

1. Explain that this is not a complete list of interests and abilities but rather that this exercise is designed to make participants aware of the process involved when exploring personal attributes.

2. Discuss the various assessment instruments currently available to do this. Indicate that the guidance counselor is an excellent source of information, and most high schools administer some type of interest/ability survey.

3. When participants have completed their graphs, conduct a brief discussion to discover whether any participants gained additional self-insight from thinking about the items on the graphs.

IV. Personal Work Values (Minilecture)

A. Introduce this section by discussing transparency VI.1.2.

1. The answer to item 1 on the transparency is "D" because all other choices are personal work values.

2. The answer to item 2 is "D" because it would be difficult to receive high pay without having any responsibility.

B. Explain that personal work values are important in relation to career exploration.

1. People derive work satisfaction in different ways. For example, some people prefer to plan and direct, while others prefer to work with direction.

2. An individual's work values can conflict with one another. For example, a desire for limited responsibility may conflict with a desire for the higher pay of a supervisory job.
### Instructor’s Outline

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<th>C. Have participants identify work values and explore possible conflicts among them.</th>
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<td>D. (Optional) Create a problem-solving circle by having participants do the following:</td>
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<td>1. Sit in a circle.</td>
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<td>2. One or two people present a work values problem from personal experience. An example is an industrial arts teacher who enjoys the mental rewards of teaching but whose family responsibilities indicate that it would be better to go into the construction business because of the higher pay.</td>
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<td>3. Discuss the problem around the circle and try to arrive at solutions to the problem. Limit discussion to 15 or 20 minutes.</td>
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### V. Training and Experience (Participant Exercise)

A. Explain that training and experience are important personal attributes.

1. Training can include formal schooling, apprenticeship, or informal schooling.

2. Experience is paid, nonpaid, and volunteer work.

B. Explain that when exploring training requirements, a person should remember the following points:

1. Formal training—Entry requirements differ among training programs, and some programs are costly. For example, although there may be a strong demand for engineers, the competition for openings in engineering schools could be stiff, and some schools are expensive.

2. Apprenticeship—Competition for apprenticeships is often stiff, and there may be additional requirements, such as some formal schooling.

3. Informal training—Sources of informal training include service and avocational clubs and organizations. This form of training does not result in a degree, but does provide an individual with specialized skills.
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<td>C. Have participants identify various kinds of training and experience they have received.</td>
<td>List training and experience on chalkboard or large sheet of paper.</td>
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<td>1. Many teachers have a variety of training. In addition to formal schooling which results in a degree such as BA, MA, or PhD, some may also have received informal training and hold certification such as CPR or Red Cross Life Saver.</td>
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<td>2. Similarly, many teachers have a wide variety of experience, both paid and volunteer.</td>
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<td>D. Have participants list their abilities, interests, personal work values, training, and experience and relate them to their current jobs. Stress that this is not meant to show participants that they are in the “perfect” occupation, but rather to provide an example of the career exploration process.</td>
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<td>E. (Optional) Use transparency VI.1.3 as the basis for a wrap-up discussion of training, experience, and interest areas. This activity might be useful if participants have limited employment experience beyond teaching. Time should be taken to explore the many ways in which areas of interest can lead to job possibilities.</td>
<td>Show transparency VI.1.3—“Training and Experience”—found on page VI-23.</td>
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<td>1. The answer to item 1 on the transparency is “B.” The other choices are examples of training, even though a craft club is informal training. It should be pointed out that personal interests can lead to job training and eventually to jobs. For example, flower arranging learned at a garden club could eventually lead to a job in a florist shop.</td>
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<td>2. The answer to item 2 is “B.” Volunteer experience may tell a job interviewer something important about a prospective applicant. For example, the head of a small woodworking shop might hire a woodworker who is a volunteer fire fighter because that experience provides knowledge of fire safety.</td>
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<td>3. Participants should offer any personal comments related to training and experience.</td>
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VI. Further Activities (Handout Exercise)

A. Have participants complete the worksheet "Personal Career Ladder." Point out the following:

1. The idea of a career ladder is to show a progression from little experience and training to more experience and training, which results in better jobs.

2. Participants should select major career steps they have taken since leaving high school.

B. Have participants share their career ladders and relate the information to the career development principles they discussed in Module I.

C. (Optional) Have participants create career ladders for the fictitious workers on the worksheet "Career Ladders."

1. Mention that there are no right or wrong answers for this activity but that participants should try to think of logical steps.

2. Discuss participants' answers, using the following possible responses for comparison:

   Factory Supervisor
   Becomes factory supervisor
   Completes advanced training
   Becomes a journeyperson
   Enters union program as apprentice
   Works part-time in small machine shop
   Graduates from high school

   Businessperson
   Opens a radio and television franchise
   Starts mail order business part-time
   Receives associate's degree
   Gets promotion to manager
   Is hired as salesperson
   Graduates from high school

D. (Optional) Have participants role-play various worker profiles and determine which occupations are suitable for the workers.

   Use "Role Play Cards" found on page VI-16. These should be cut apart before the activity begins and placed on index cards.
Instructor's Outline

1. Place the profile cards, facedown, into five piles:
   - Interests
   - Abilities
   - Values
   - Training
   - Experience

2. Have participants choose a card from each category and describe themselves using the cards. This may require some inventiveness, as some cards may be contradictory.

3. Ask the group to respond to the information presented by each participant by suggesting possible occupations.

4. Use the following as an example of what could happen:
   - Profile
     - Enjoys people
     - Manually dextrous
     - Wants to help people
     - Two-year college graduate
     - No experience
   - Possible Occupations:
     - Hospital aide
     - Social worker aide
     - Recreation worker

VII. Personal Attributes and the OOH (Minilecture)

A. Indicate where the OOH discusses personal attributes.

1. The "How to Get the Most from the Handbook" section lists personal attributes and how they relate to jobs, giving examples of occupations in which each attribute is important.

2. Each occupational discussion includes pertinent information related to important personal attributes and covers such specifics as training requirements.
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<td>B. Ask participants to identify three occupations for each of the following categories: no training required, some training, and advanced training required. Read a section of the <em>OOH</em> for details about these categories.</td>
<td>Use the <em>OOH</em>.</td>
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<td>VIII. Infusion (Participant Exercise)</td>
<td>Participants can work individually or in small groups.</td>
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<td>A. Have participants develop an activity that infuses into their curricula an idea presented in this learning experience.</td>
<td>Distribute &quot;Model Lesson Plan&quot; found on page VI-17.</td>
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<td>Distribute &quot;Lesson Plan Format&quot; found on page VI-18.</td>
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<td>Provide participants with appropriate Related Activities found on pages VI-45–VI-52.</td>
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<td>B. Ask participants to share their ideas with the group.</td>
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<td>IX. Wrap-Up</td>
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<td>A. Indicate that in this learning experience, participants explored the personal characteristics an individual must consider when deciding upon an occupation.</td>
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<td>B. Mention that in the next learning experience they will explore characteristics of occupations.</td>
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INTERESTS AND ABILITIES GRAPHS

Directions: Place an X in the appropriate spot in each of the two graphs below. Connect the Xs.

**Interests**

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<tr>
<th>Very Important to Me</th>
<th>Somewhat Important to Me</th>
<th>Not Important to Me</th>
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<tr>
<td>Working with Ideas</td>
<td>Working with Numbers</td>
<td>Doing Creative Work</td>
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<td>Making Decisions</td>
<td>Evaluating Information</td>
<td>Working with People in a Business Setting</td>
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<tr>
<td>Helping</td>
<td>Doing</td>
<td>Working with Machines</td>
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<td>Solitary</td>
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**Abilities**

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<th>Very Good at This</th>
<th>Average at This</th>
<th>Poor at This</th>
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<td>Verbal Communication</td>
<td>Dealing with Numbers</td>
<td>Perceiving Space and Shape</td>
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<td>Perceiving Details</td>
<td>Motor Coordination</td>
<td>Manual Dexterity</td>
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<td>Finger Dexterity</td>
<td>Color Perception</td>
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PERSONAL CAREER LADDER

Directions: On the rungs of the career ladder, write brief statements that describe the major career steps that you have taken since high school. Include such activities as completing training (educational programs), obtaining major jobs, receiving promotions, or making transfers.
CAREER LADDERS

Directions: For each person below, fill in the missing rungs with logical steps in the career ladder.

Chris
Factory Supervisor

- Completes twenty hours of advanced union-approved training
- Enters union program as apprentice
- Graduates from high school

Pat
Businessperson

- Starts mail order business part-time
- Gets promotion to area sales manager
- Graduates from high school

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**ROLE PLAY CARDS**  
(Cards May Have to be Reused)

**Interest Cards (cut on lines)** Make a copy of this page and cut copy.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Enjoy People</th>
<th>Enjoy Solitude</th>
<th>Enjoy Detail</th>
<th>Enjoy Being Creative</th>
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<td>Enjoy Numbers</td>
<td>Enjoy Machines</td>
<td>Enjoy Animals</td>
<td>Enjoy Business</td>
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<td>Enjoy Being Subservient</td>
<td>Enjoy Decision Making</td>
<td>Enjoy Close Supervision</td>
<td>Enjoy the Outdoors</td>
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**Ability Cards (cut on lines)**

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<th>Manually Dextrous</th>
<th>Good with Spoken Word</th>
<th>Good with Written Word</th>
<th>Good with Numbers</th>
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<td>Good with Details</td>
<td>Good with Facts</td>
<td>Good with Persuasion</td>
<td>Good with Colors</td>
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**Worker Value Cards (cut on lines)**

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<th>Want High Pay</th>
<th>Want High Responsibility</th>
<th>Want Little Responsibility</th>
<th>Want to Influence People</th>
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<td>Want to Help People</td>
<td>Want Public Recognition</td>
<td>Want Close Supervision</td>
<td>Want Power</td>
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**Training Cards (cut on lines)**

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<th>Non-High School Graduate</th>
<th>High School Graduate</th>
<th>Two-Year College Graduate</th>
<th>Four-Year College Graduate</th>
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<td>Trade School Graduate</td>
<td>Union Apprenticeship Graduate</td>
<td>Informal Training</td>
<td>On-the-Job Training</td>
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**Experience Cards (cut on lines)**

| None | Two Years at Minimum Wage | Ten Years in Semi-skilled Position | Five Years in Skilled Position |

VI-16
MODEL LESSON PLAN

Title: Self-Awareness

Grade Level: 3

Subject Area: Language Arts

Lesson Goal: The student will learn that an understanding of personal attributes, including interests, abilities, work values, training, and experience are important in occupational choice.

Lesson Objective: The student will be able to list three personal interests and three personal skills.

Time Requirement: Several 30 minute sessions

Description of Activity:
1. The teacher discusses the difference between interests and skills, and after the teacher lists five examples of each on the board, the students individually categorize each. (Example: Interest—enjoys music, skill—plays piano)

2. Each student lists three personal interests and three personal skills for him/herself.

3. The teacher divides the group into two groups; radio interviewers and interviewees.

4. The radio interviewers will pretend to interview citizens of a community for their interests and skills. Each interviewee has to supply at least three for each category.

5. The roles of interviewers and interviewees will then be reversed with the same activity.

Resources: None

Evaluation: Each student can recite three personal interests and three personal skills.

Source: Career Education in Schalmont, Schenectady, New York

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LESSON PLAN FORMAT

Title:

Grade Level: Subject Area:

Lesson Goal:

Lesson Objective(s):
  Career Development:
  Instructional:

Time Requirement:

Description of Activity:

Resources:
  Materials:
  People:
  Space/Equipment:

Evaluation:
PERSONAL ABILITY

An example of personal ability is:

a. age
b. manual dexterity
c. health
d. reading for pleasure
WORK VALUES

1. Which of the following is not an example of a personal work value:
   a. level of responsibility
   b. level of pay
   c. prestige
   d. job outlook

2. An example of a person with conflicting work values is one who wants:
   a. high pay and high responsibility
   b. low pay and no responsibility
   c. medium pay and some responsibility
   d. high pay and no responsibility
TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

1. All of the following are examples of training except:
   a. apprenticeships
   b. conviction record
   c. college degree
   d. craft club

2. What is not true of volunteer experience? It:
   a. can lead to formal training
   b. should not be mentioned in a job interview
   c. can be a valuable way of meeting potential employers
   d. should be a reflection of personal interests
LEARNING EXPERIENCE II

OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS

KEY CONCEPT: An understanding of occupational characteristics, including the nature of the work, job outlook, earnings, working conditions, required training, other job qualifications, and advancement opportunities is important in occupational choice.

COMPETENCIES: Workshop participants will be better able to—

1. explain how knowledge of occupational characteristics can improve occupational choice and
2. describe an activity that infuses into their curricula information on understanding occupational characteristics as they relate to occupational choice.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: Workshop participants, during completion of this learning experience, will investigate five careers using the Occupational Outlook Handbook and will list occupational characteristics for each.

Each workshop participant will develop an infused lesson that uses information from the Occupational Outlook Handbook related to the above concept.

OVERVIEW: This learning experience summarizes the concepts contained in the Occupational Outlook Handbook, which deals with characteristics of specific jobs. In contrast to the previous learning experience, it addresses occupational characteristics instead of personal attributes. The participants will develop an infused lesson plan.

INSTRUCTOR'S INFORMATION: Time Estimate 60 minutes
Workshop Resources Occupational Outlook Handbook
Handouts Model Lesson Plan—page VI-31
Lesson Plan Format—page VI-33
Knowledge Quiz—page VI-34
Related Activities—page VI-45
Resources—page VI-61
Transparency Masters
Occupational Characteristics—page VI-37
Exploring Careers in the OOH—page VI-39
Market Basket Fringes—page VI-41
Using the OOH—page VI-43

Instructional Methods
Minilecture
Participant Exercises

Optional Activity
Knowledge Quiz (Handout Exercise)—page VI-34
Instructor's Outline

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<td>A. Discuss the purpose of this experience—to explore job</td>
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<td>B. Explain that after this learning experience, participants should have developed their ability to design personally useful infused lessons and should also have several lesson plans that can be used as a basis for further development.</td>
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<td>C. Use transparency VI.II.1 to introduce this learning experience. The correct answer to the question shown is “D” because the OOH does discuss all the aspects listed.</td>
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II. Exploring Occupational Characteristics (Minilecture)

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<th>A. Introduce this section of the learning experience by using transparency VI.II.2. Explain that this learning experience will include an exercise in which participants will use the OOH in the manner a student might.</th>
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<td>The answer to the item on the transparency is “D” because all choices are examples of working conditions. Mention the fact that shift time and work days are working conditions.</td>
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<td>B. Indicate that occupational choice is improved by understanding characteristics of specific occupations. Satisfaction in a career is usually typified by fairly close agreement between personal attributes and job characteristics.</td>
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<td>Show transparency VI.II.2—“Exploring Careers in the OOH”—found on page VI-39.</td>
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<td>Refer back to II, “Exploring Personal Attributes,” in the last learning experience. Discuss this concept from the standpoint of job characteristics.</td>
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2. Point out that the market basket approach to fringes will become increasingly popular during the 1980s. This system allows workers to opt for the benefits that are personally most important, while allowing employers to cut costs. Thus, a worker already covered by a spouse’s insurance might opt for more vacation time rather than health insurance.

III. Using the OOH for Career Exploration (Participant Exercise)

A. Have workshop participants explore careers as their students would. Explain that this will be an actual experience in using the OOH and will draw upon previously discussed ideas. Emphasize that this is designed to give participants the opportunity to become thoroughly familiar with the use of the OOH.

1. Have each participant choose five occupations of personal interest.

2. Ask each participant, using transparency VI.11.4 as a guide, to discover the following information for each occupation:
   - Nature of the work
   - Job outlook
   - Working conditions
   - Training and other requirements
   - Earnings

B. Following individual completion of this activity, ask participants to discuss any interesting findings with the group.

IV. Developing an Infused Lesson (Participant Exercise)

A. Ask participants to develop an activity that infuses into their curricula an idea presented in this learning experience.
Instructor's Outline

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<td>the quiz to reinforce knowledge of the concepts presented in this module. Answers:</td>
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MODEL LESSON PLAN

Title: Using the OOH

Grade Level: 10  Subject Area: General

Lesson Goal: The student will learn that an understanding of occupational characteristics, including the nature of the work, job outlook, earnings, working conditions, required training, other job qualifications, and advancement opportunities are important considerations in occupational choice.

Lesson Objective: The student will be able to list (for three jobs) occupational characteristics including nature of work, employment outlook, and earnings.

Time Requirement: One or two 45 minutes sessions—one study period

Description of Activity:
1. The teacher presents brief examples of the nature of work, places of employment, training, employment outlook, earnings, and sources of additional information using the Occupational Outlook Handbook.
2. Each student lists three occupations of interest.
3. During study periods, each student completes the "Occupational Outlook Handbook Worksheet" for each of the three occupations.
4. (Optional) As a class project, students will create a class bulletin board display using the information discovered.

Resources:


Evaluation: The student can use the OOH to find occupational characteristics for a specific job.

Source: Eugene Elis, Watertown Public Schools, Watertown, New York, 1980
OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK HANDBOOK WORKSHEET

Select an occupation which you would like to find out more about. List below.

Occupation to be studied

Using the *Occupational Outlook Handbook*, answer the items below.

1. Nature of the work
   
2. Working Conditions
   
3. Employment
   
4. Training, other qualifications and advancement
   
5. Job outlook
   
6. Earnings
   
7. Related occupations
   
8. Sources of additional information
LESSON PLAN FORMAT

Title:

Grade Level: 

Lesson Goal:

Lesson Objective(s):
  Career Development:
  Instructional:

Time Requirement:

Description of Activity:

Resources:
  Materials:
  People:
  Space/Equipment:

Evaluation:
KNOWLEDGE QUIZ

1. An example of a personal ability is:
   a. problem-solving skill
   b. weight
   c. age
   d. enjoyment of music

2. All of the following are examples of personal interests except:
   a. high IQ
   b. enjoying food
   c. liking solitude
   d. enjoying reading

3. Which of the following is not an example of a personal work value?
   a. level of human contact
   b. level of solitude
   c. job outlook
   d. level of responsibility

4. Job satisfaction is often the result of agreement between job characteristics and:
   a. personal interests
   b. personal abilities
   c. personal work values
   d. all of the above

5. An example of a person with conflicting work values is one who wants:
   a. high pay and no responsibility
   b. high pay and high responsibility
   c. low pay and no responsibility
   d. medium pay and some responsibility

6. Individuals who understand their interests and abilities are more likely to be:
   a. happy in a job
   b. underemployed
   c. overeducated
   d. discouraged workers

7. An example of informal experience is:
   a. garden club training
   b. CPR instructorship
   c. trade school
   d. correspondence school certificate
8. All of the following are examples of training except:
   a. garden club
   b. vocational school
   c. correspondence course
   d. age

9. In listing personal training and experience, one should strive for:
   a. exaggeration of ability
   b. minimizing of ability
   c. honesty in describing ability
   d. none of the above

10. Informal as well as formal training should be included on your resume because it:
    a. may impress the secretary
    b. will boost the salary offer
    c. shows your human side
    d. may be helpful in providing useful information

11. Which of the following is not an example of working conditions?
    a. work area noise
    b. chance for advancement
    c. work area hazards
    d. cleanliness of work area

12. Which aspect of an occupation is described in the Occupational Outlook Handbook?
    a. job outlook
    b. earnings
    c. working conditions
    d. all of the above

13. During the 1980s, the "market basket" approach to fringe benefits will probably become:
    a. extinct
    b. more common
    c. less common
    d. universal
OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS

Which aspect of an occupation is described in the Occupational Outlook Handbook?

A. job outlook  
B. earnings  
C. working conditions  
D. all of the above
EXPLORING CAREERS IN THE OOH

An example of working conditions is:

a. work area noise  
b. shift time  
c. work area hazards  
d. all of the above
MARKET BASKET FRINGES

During the 1980s, the “market basket” approach to fringe benefits is becoming:

A. less common  
B. more common  
C. common only for blue-collar workers
Appliance Installer and Repairer

Nature of the Work— Installs and repairs household appliances in shops or homes. Makes estimates and explains repairs to customers.

Job Outlook— Employment of appliance installers and repairers will grow more slowly (6 to 9 percent) than average as appliances with electronic parts become more reliable.

Working Conditions— Often works unsupervised in reasonably clean and pleasant conditions. Some driving is often required.

Training and Other Requirements— Most repair persons receive on-the-job training after some advanced schooling in two-year or trade schools.

Earnings— Between $230 and $490 per week (in 1982), with most earning $250-$425 a week.
RELATED ACTIVITIES

The activities described below have been conducted in a school situation. They were identified through an extensive literature review and/or interviews with school personnel. Some of them were field tested prior to inclusion in the training package. These are starred, and detailed information is provided regarding them. Some activities are more general and do not include instructional objectives.

**Concept:** An understanding of personal attributes, including interests, abilities, work values, training, and experience, is important in occupational choice.

*Title: What Can I Do*  
*Grade Level: 3*  
*Subject Area: Art*

**Instructional Objective:** The students will be able to list five characteristics of themselves.

**Time Requirement:** Two 30-minute sessions  
**Materials:** Drawing supplies

**Learning Activity:**
1. The class discusses the concept of abilities.
2. Each student draws pictures of five animals that can do something better than other animals (cats climb trees, fish swim, etc.).
3. Each student lists five things he/she likes to do or can do well.

**Source:** Career Education Resource Book, Watertown Public Schools, NY 13601, 1980.

*Title: Personality Assessment*  
*Grade Level: 3-5*  
*Subject Area: Language Arts*

**Instructional Objective:** Students will be able to identify different types of careers and relate these careers to their individual differences and interests.

**Learning Activity:** Students present stories about their adult lives, including their career choices. The students relate their present interests to the career choice mentioned in the fictitious story.

**Source:** Career Education Curriculum Guide, Indiana State Department of Public Instruction, 1973.

*Title: Self Expression*  
*Grade Level: 6*  
*Subject Area: Language Arts*

**Instructional Objective:** The students will be able to identify characteristics regarding themselves.

**Time Requirement:** 60 minutes

**Learning Activity:**
1. The teacher suggests the following writing topics: (1) What I think about before I go to sleep, (2) I wish I were a..., (3) I'm bored, (4) My dreams, (5) Why I don't like tests, (6) Pain, (7) Happy thoughts, (8) Gloomy thoughts, (9) Losing my temper, and (10) How I feel about animals in a cage.
2. Students choose a topic and write a composition on it.
3. The class conducts a general discussion on the composition topics.


Title: Personality-Job Match  Grade Level: 6-8  Subject Area: Art

Instructional Objective: Students will know what elements of their personalities will be important in finding happiness in a job.


Learning Activity: Class discusses personality and character traits along with possible matches for each personality or character trait. Students design a display representing their personality using pictures, poems, quotations, colors, etc.


Title: Physical Conditioning  Grade Level: 6-8  Subject Area: Physical Education

Instructional Objective: Students will recognize that career fields and physical conditioning are interrelated.

Learning Activity: Students interview industrial nurses and medical personnel to find out the physical requirements of jobs and industrial job classifications. The class then develops a list of jobs which require yearly or periodic physical examinations.


Title: Life Style  Grade Level: 6-8  Subject Area: General

Instructional Objective: Students will be able to identify five different factors influencing lifestyle and identify the relationship between economic income and lifestyle.


Learning Activity: Class discusses the concept of lifestyles as they relate to people in the community, family budgets, allowances and how they are used, and how income is related to education and/or job training. Class conducts a poster contest on the theme "You Choose Your Lifestyle When You Choose Your Vocation."


Title: The Relation of Values and Needs to Career Choice  Grade Level: 8  Subject Area: Language Arts

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to define their work values.

Time Requirement: One class period
Learning Activity:
1. Students complete the following work values chart.

### Work Values Chart

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<td>3. I'm usually neat.</td>
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### Group Attitudes

| 1. I cooperate with others. |
| 2. I'm a reliable worker. |
| 3. I have respect for others. |

### Personal Characteristics

| 1. I am neat. |
| 2. I am friendly. |
| 3. I am confident. |


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**Title:** Interests-Abilities Assessment

**Grade Level:** 9-10

**Subject Area:** Guidance

**Instructional Objective:** Students will be able to identify their interests and abilities as related to tentative career choices.

**Materials:** Interest Tests, Community Resource Directory

**Learning Activity:** Students take a battery of self-assessment tests followed by individual or group interpretation. (Optional) Students make on-the-job visits to occupations of their choice, develop a Community Resource Directory, and test their identified interests and skills by one or more of the following methods (a) working part-time, (b) shadowing workers, (c) pursuing hobbies, (d) on job visitations and observations, and (3) simulated laboratory experiences.


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**Title:** Calling Cards

**Grade Level:** Elementary

**Subject Area:** Social Studies, Art

**Learning Activity:** Students develop business cards advertising their talents.

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**Title:** Matching Personal Traits and Occupations

**Grade Level:** Secondary

**Subject Area:** English

**Learning Activity:** Students read brief description of a person and then list that individual's talents and skills in relation to specific career possibilities.
Learning Activity: Class investigates physical skills needed in the following careers: recreation director, physical therapist, physical education teacher and coach, entertainment, iron workers, professional athletes, health club director and officials.


Title: Career Information  
Grade Level: 6-8  
Subject Area: Language Arts

Instructional Objective: Students will be able to list several sources for obtaining, organizing, ranking, and investigating career information.


Learning Activity: The class discusses pay, training, working conditions, etc. for careers related to school subjects. After talking with workers in various careers, the class compiles a list of workers’ reactions about their career. Each student selects one career from a range of careers and develops a speech to explain to the class the various aspects of that career.


Title: Investigating Careers  
Grade Level: 6-8  
Subject Area: Social Studies

Instructional Objective: Students will compare their personal versions of job specifications with career information obtained through research. Students will also recognize the value of investigating career interest.

Learning Activity: Each student selects any career and writes a descriptive list of job expectations they have about the job without references. They will then compare their expectations with the actual information determined from other sources such as magazines, newspapers, resource persons, and the *Occupational Outlook Handbook*.


Concept: An understanding of occupational characteristics, including the nature of the work, job outlook, earnings, working conditions, training, other qualifications, and advancement, is important in occupational choice.

*Title: Career Awareness  
Grade Level: 7  
Subject Area: Science

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to list the personality characteristics related to public parks jobs.

Time Requirement: 45 minutes

Learning Activity:
1. The teacher leads a class discussion on jobs connected with public parks. Include discussion of possible duties and related personality characteristics.
2. Students list three reasons why or why not they are suited for parks jobs.


*Title: Job Characteristics  
Grade Level: 9  
Subject Area: English

Instructional Objective: After conducting research, the students will be able to report on the abilities, skills, personal characteristics, and training needed for a selected occupation.

Time Requirement: Several weeks
Learning Activity:
1. The teacher divides the class into small groups.
2. Each group selects a career cluster and lists the jobs in the career cluster that are available in their geographic area.
3. Each student in each group selects an occupation from the career cluster and researches the abilities, skills, personal characteristics, and training necessary.


*Title: Job Traits  Grade Level: 10  Subject Area: English/Art

Instructional Objective: After interviewing workers, the students will be able to present traits needed to perform specific jobs and will design a poster illustrating the jobs.

Time Requirement: Several weeks  Materials: Poster material

Learning Activity:
1. Students conduct interviews with workers and inquire about the educational requirements, skills, personal traits, and behavioral characteristics which their work dictates.
2. After completing three interviews, the students select one and present this information to the class in informal speaking-sharing sessions.
3. Students design posters or collages which illustrate the selected occupation.


*Title: Job Traits  Grade Level: 12  Subject Area: English

Instructional Objective: After conducting research, the students will be able to report on the pay scale, required training, and lifestyles of various careers.

Time Requirement: Several days

Learning Activity:
1. The teacher divides the class into small groups, each representing a different career cluster.
2. Each group creates its own visual display to reflect the careers chosen by its members.
3. The groups research the pay scale, required training, and lifestyle of three careers and report their findings to the class.


Title: Employment Security Office  Grade Level: Secondary  Subject Area: Social Studies

Learning Activity: Students take field trip to employment security office and review microfiche that contain employment information.

Title: Occupational Briefs  Grade Level: Secondary  Subject Area: English

Learning Activity: Students correct the grammar and punctuation in incorrectly written occupational briefs.
Title: Writing about Careers  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: English  
Learning Activity: Students write argumentative papers on career-related topics.

Title: Fictional Career Stories  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: English  
Learning Activity: Students write fictional stories on careers of their interest.

Title: Letter Writing  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: English  
Learning Activity: Students write letters to individuals in specific occupations.

Title: Working Caricatures  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Art  
Learning Activity: Students draw caricatures of people working.

Title: Driving and Occupations  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Drivers' Education  
Learning Activity: Students research careers in which driving is required.

Title: Law Enforcement  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Drivers' Education  
Learning Activity: Students research careers in law enforcement.

Title: Foreign Language and Occupation  
Grade Level: Secondary  
Subject Area: Foreign Language  
Learning Activity: Students research careers in which a foreign language is used or ones that use bilingual skills.

Concept: Both of the previous concepts.

Title: Science Careers  
Grade Level: 6-8  
Subject Area: Science  
Instructional Objective: Students will discuss a science-related career field that might be appropriate for them.

Materials: Documents related to science careers

Learning Activity: The class compiles a list of science related jobs. Each student chooses a science-related job and prepares a written presentation explaining why it might be personally appropriate. The students present their reports to the class.


Title: Career Crossword Puzzle  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Language Arts  
Learning Activity: Teacher develops crossword puzzles that use words related to career exploration concepts.
Title: Education Awareness  
Grade Level: 2  
Subject Area: Language Arts  

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to describe the education or training needed for five occupations.

Time Requirement: Two 30-minute sessions

Learning Activity:
1. The class discusses the necessity of training or education required for many jobs.
2. Students interview their parents to learn of the training requirements for parents jobs.
3. Each student presents findings to class, and teacher compiles list.
4. Each student picks out five occupations of interest and repeats to class the training or education required.

Source: Career Education in the Elementary School: An Infused Approach, Long Island University, C.W. Fost Center, Hempstead, NY 11550.

Title: Social Workers  
Grade Level: 2  
Subject Area: General

Instructional Objective: The students will be able to describe the training needed to become a social worker.

Time Requirement: One day  
Materials: Community social workers

Learning Activity:
1. Speakers (social workers) explain the special training they needed.
2. Class lists the training requirements.

Source: Career Resource Guide, North Bend School District 13, North Bend, IN.

Title: Fire Fighter  
Grade Level: K-2  
Subject Area: Language Arts, Social Studies

Instructional Objective: Students will be able to state at least six characteristics that a fire fighter must possess, name two kinds of fire fighters and some of the duties of each, give two advantages and two disadvantages of the unusual work schedules of fire fighters, and name at least two activities a fire fighter is involved in while not on a fire run.

Learning Activity: The class plans and discusses a fire drill, discusses what a fire fighter does, develops a bulletin board around the theme "Life as a Fire Fighter," and role-plays possible experiences of a fire fighter and/or use hand puppets. Class has a fire drill and visits a fire station.


Title: Physical Requirements  
Grade Level: 6-8  
Subject Area: Physical Education

Instructional Objective: Students will identify the variety of present and future career opportunities in the field of physical education and health that have specific physical requirements.
Title: Matching Games  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Language Arts

Learning Activity: Teacher develops definition and word matching activity with words related to career exploration. Also, careers and associated equipment can be matched.

Title: Balloon Day  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: General

Learning Activity: Students launch helium balloons with weather protected postcards which ask the finder to send the cards back after filling out job-related questions. When cards are returned, the class holds discussions on the responses.

Title: Nontraditional Jobs  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: General

Learning Activity: Students role play nontraditional jobs for their sex to help overcome sex role stereotyping.

Title: Dress-up  
Grade Level: Elementary  
Subject Area: Language Arts

Learning Activity: Students dress as workers in occupations that interest them and give presentations.
Prior to the workshop, the instructor should administer the Competency Self-Assessment (pre-workshop) to determine how competent the participants think they are in the topics to be taught. The Competency Self-Assessment (post-workshop) is to be administered again at the end of the workshop to identify the level of competency growth. The instructor also should make specific observations during the workshop activities to measure attainment of the performance objectives. An additional instrument is designed to obtain data on the effectiveness of the workshop techniques.

The following questionnaires relate to this module. When more than one module is being taught, the instructor can develop a comprehensive pre-workshop and post-workshop competency self-assessment that addresses the modules used.
ASSESSING PARTICIPANTS' MASTERY OF PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

The instructor's outline suggests activities that require written or verbal responses. The following list of performance indicators will assist you in assessing the quality of the participants' work.

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**Module:** VI

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COMPETENCY SELF-ASSESSMENT

Directions: For each competency statement that follows, assess your present competency. For each statement, circle one letter that best states your current competence by the scale defined below.

COMPETENCE SCALE

Assess your present knowledge or skill in terms of the following competency statements:

a. Very competent: My capabilities are developed sufficiently to perform this competency and to teach it to other people.

b. Competent: I possess most of the capabilities required to perform this competency but I cannot teach it to other people.

c. Minimally competent: I have a few of the capabilities required to perform this competency.

d. Not competent: I cannot perform this competency.

COMPETENCY STATEMENTS (PRE-WORKSHOP)

1. Explain how knowledge of personal attributes can improve occupational choice.  
   a  b  c  d

2. Describe an activity that infuses into your curriculum information on understanding personal attributes as they relate to occupational choice.  
   a  b  c  d

3. Explain how knowledge of occupational characteristics can improve occupational choice.  
   a  b  c  d

4. Describe an activity that infuses into your curriculum information on understanding occupational characteristics as they relate to occupational choice.  
   a  b  c  d

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## COMPETENCY STATEMENTS (POST-WORKSHOP)

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1. To what extent were the materials, processes, and organizational aspects of the module successfully used in the presentation and delivery of the module? For those materials, processes, or organizational aspects that you marked as “unsuccessful” or “slightly successful,” provide brief comments as to how they might be improved.

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### Materials

1 2 3 4 Handouts/Worksheets
1 2 3 4 Transparencies

### Processes

1 2 3 4 Lecture Presentations
1 2 3 4 Large Group Discussions
1 2 3 4 Small Group Sessions

### Organizational Aspects

1 2 3 4 Module Organization in Terms of the Logical Flow of Ideas
1 2 3 4 Important Concepts Reinforced
1 2 3 4 The Mix of Activities Helpful in Maintaining Interest
2. Indicate those aspects of the module that you liked most and those that you liked least.

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3. SUGGESTIONS: Please provide suggestions or comments that you have for improving the workshop, workshop materials, and so on.
RESOURCES

The materials listed below provide additional information on career exploration.


This series of thirteen books focuses on describing major occupational areas (business communications, etc.).


Each of the twenty-seven booklets covers a particular occupation, with a focus on the special needs of women. Geared toward professional career, the series includes case histories and where to get more information about the particular career area. Part of the series also deals with the decision-making process as it relates to work and career selection.


This book predicts jobs of tomorrow; lists top demand jobs in terms of skills needed, training, salary, working conditions, etc.


The briefs are job descriptions similar in format to those in *Occupational Outlook Handbook.* The series is updated regularly.


The document is an early classic decision-making model for career counseling.

*Desk-Top Careers Kit.* Careers, Inc., Largo, Florida.

The series contains career briefs by D.O.T. classification. More than one person may use kit at a time; continuous revision provided.

The D.O.T. is designed as a job placement tool to facilitate matching job requirements and worker skills. The D.O.T. includes standardized and comprehensive descriptions of job duties and related information for 20,000 occupations. It can be used to broaden students' occupational awareness and to help project new or emerging career areas. Training in the use of the D.O.T. is recommended for staff to optimize its effective use.

Education Opportunities Series. CATALYST, New York, New York.

This series includes eleven booklets describing different college majors (Business Administration, Law, Health Services, etc.). It is designed for women; but is useful also for men.


Two-volume set describes industries by job classifications and specific careers within area of work, with descriptions of requirements, methods of entry, and future job outlook.


The publication is brief and well illustrated; recommended for all age levels.


Practical, step-by-step way of approaching the job search.


Designed for use with the Dictionary of Occupational Titles, the guide is organized by interest areas, further divided into work groups and subgroups. Helps individuals explore a variety of occupations within a specific area.


This self-scoring report allows one to match abilities, values, and interests with career areas.

The workbook helps women to assess their values, goals, and strengths, and to determine strategies.


Especially written for women exploring careers, this book provides information about education, salary, and future outlook for women in particular career areas.


A career and life-planning book for people who have little or no direction. It is thought provoking and enjoyable reading and good for all age levels.


This guide describes thirty-three promising practices in career education in Massachusetts, which represent a cross-section of geographical locations, student populations, and program components. It is designed for use by those individuals who are looking for suggestions on how to implement, revise, or augment career education programs in their schools. The programs described provide for curriculum infusion, staff development, community collaboration, career guidance, resource centers, and services to special populations. The guide is divided into four sections including an introduction.


The pamphlet contains a chart matching jobs with characteristics needed to perform them; useful as beginning exploratory tool.

Minnesota Vocational Interest Inventory. Psychological Corporation, New York, New York.

The interest inventory for high school and adult groups provides scores on twenty-one occupational scales.


Published quarterly, this publication reviews developments affecting employment opportunities and findings of new occupational outlook research.


Pamphlet; workbook approach to the job search; starts with identifying skills a person has and wants to sell; ends with information on the interview. Details other actual job search techniques.


Resume outline and sample; how to use a cover letter, plus a section on self-appraisal; good section on approaching an interview situation.


An interest inventory which is a good place to begin if client can't articulate career directions.


The interest test can be used as a starting point in career counseling.


Focuses exclusively on the interview; good for all ages.


The book presents a comprehensive approach to life/work planning. It provides philosophy, practical suggestions, and exercises to help people integrate the three boxes of life: school, work, and retirement.
Vocational Biographies. Vocational Biographies, Inc., Sauk Centre, Minnesota.

The biographies provide an understanding of an occupation from the perspective of an individual employed in the field. The pamphlets, which are updated annually, can serve as a good supplement to other more detailed information sources. They also provide references to other free pamphlets available on the particular occupation.


One reviewer calls it the “bible” and one of the best self-help guides in the field. Easy and fun reading, it includes how to clarify values, identify skills, and find a job. It outlines a non-traditional job-seeking approach proven effective. Contains an excellent bibliography to other sources of information. Also a Top Source in Career Information and Life Planning section.


A combination training manual and classroom curriculum guide; for use by: (1) trainers of instructors or counselors in career and life planning, occupational decision-making, and the job-hunt; (2) instructors working with groups of any age; and (3) self-motivated individuals working on their own.
REFERENCES


