

ASSIGNMENT OVERVIEW

- Watch the assigned PEAK Career Videos.
- Write a brief summary and reflection paragraph for **ALL** of the careers presented.
- Select and research at least **TWO** careers you are interested in. Search for local companies that hire for those careers on the Your Future website:
www.greaterbinghamton.yourfuturenewyork.com/
- Complete **ONE** of the four Exploration Activities.
- Attach all of your work on separate pages.

SUMMARY & REFLECTION

Summaries & reflections should be a minimum of **7 sentences** each. Consider the following questions when writing your summaries and reflections:

- What about the speaker's occupation intrigued you?
- What, if anything, did the speaker tell about his or her job that you could see yourself doing?
- What parts of the job would you not be willing or able to do?
- Had you ever heard of this company or occupation? What did you know about it before watching the video?

EXPLORATION ACTIVITY 1

Conduct an informational interview with an adult who works in a field similar to the speaker. Write 10 interview questions and a page long summary based on your research and the interview.

EXPLORATION ACTIVITY 2

Compare and contrast two of the careers you researched and write a 3 paragraph compare and contrast essay. In the final paragraph, state which job you believe is best suited for you and why.

EXPLORATION ACTIVITY 3

Using the Your Future website, research local companies hiring for one of your selected careers. Write a page long cover letter and prepare a mock resume based on skills and experiences required for the position.

EXPLORATION ACTIVITY 4

Write a "Day in the Life of a..." personal narrative for one of the careers you researched. The narrative should be at least one page long and demonstrate a variety of descriptive writing techniques and thorough research.

Research Tips: Start with the companies in the Career Videos & utilize the **Your Future website**; Visit the U.S. Department of Labor site, O*NET (www.onetonline.org) and O*NET My Next Move (www.mynextmove.org) to research the speakers' careers and similar occupations.

RESEARCH NOTES

Use this space to take notes. Attach additional notes on a separate sheet of paper. These notes will help you with your writing assignment and your teacher may choose to collect them. You **MUST** create a works cited page for any outside resources used in your writing assignment.