

Investing in You Worksheet

Purpose

This activity will encourage your FutureSmart Scholars to think about what they want to be when they grow up and what steps they need to take in order to get there. The goal of the activity is to help participants think about their future careers in a way that is personal and positive.

Materials Needed



Printed Worksheet



Pencil or Pen



FutureSmart
Course Knowledge

Activity Instructions

- 1 Print out copies of the Investing in You Worksheet.
- 2 Have your FutureSmart Scholar go through the worksheet and help Sydney plan for her future!
- 3 After helping Sydney figure out her plan for the future, your FutureSmart Scholar must think through their own strengths, likes, personal qualities and favorite subjects in order to complete the remaining worksheet.
- 4 Use this time as an opportunity to discuss various other career and education options that are not listed in the example section on the worksheet.
- 5 Once your Scholar has completed the worksheet, you can help them review their answers and create a plan on how they can start preparing for their future now.

Note: Your FutureSmart Scholar should use knowledge from the characteristics and information learned about Sydney throughout the FutureSmart Digital course.

Lessons Learned

At the end of this activity, your FutureSmart Scholar will be able to identify the activities they enjoy doing, what personal qualities describe them and what subjects they enjoy learning. Your Scholar will be able to think differently about how to explore their career goals and how they can start preparing now.



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Go through this worksheet and help Sydney plan for the future!

Meet Sydney!



Sydney enjoys:

1. Taking care of her siblings when they are sick.
2. Asking a lot of questions when she gets a check-up.
3. Staying active.

Sydney is good at:

1. Her science classes, especially health topics.
2. Thinking creatively to solve new problems.
3. Working on group projects.

What career should Sydney choose?

Circle the best career fit for Sydney based on her interests and skills.



Florist



Astronaut



Banker



Architect



Doctor

What education will Sydney need for her career?

Now Sydney needs your help figuring out what education and training is needed for her career.

Check all of the education/training needed.

Law School

Veterinary School

Master's Degree

Medical School

Associate's Degree

Business School

Bachelor's Degree

High School Diploma

Dentistry School

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How will Sydney pay for college?

Can you help Sydney figure out how she will afford the cost of her education?

PART 1

Write down 3 ways Sydney can pay for her education.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____



PART 2

Check all of the steps Sydney can take now to help lower her tuition costs in the future.

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Get an internship | <input type="checkbox"/> Forget assignments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Join a club | <input type="checkbox"/> Do research |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Skip class | <input type="checkbox"/> Avoid college fairs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Get a Tutor | <input type="checkbox"/> Talk to her parents |

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Go through this worksheet and plan for the future!

I enjoy:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

I am good at:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

What career should you choose?

What career is the one career you think is a good fit for you?

Career Examples



Videographer



Finance



Scientist



Web Designer



Teacher



Psychologist

What education will you need for your career?

Check all of the education/training you think you will need.

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law School | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical School | <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor's Degree |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veterinary School | <input type="checkbox"/> Associate's Degree | <input type="checkbox"/> High School Diploma |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Master's Degree | <input type="checkbox"/> Business School | <input type="checkbox"/> Dentistry School |

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What is one other thing you can do to prepare for your future career?

How can you lower your cost of your college tuition?

Come up with three ways you can save money.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Write down three decisions or actions that can help you plan early to lower your tuition costs.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____