Montana Career Peeks

Career Awareness Activities
Integrating Basic Academics
Kindergarten - Second Grade

Take a peek at what you can become!

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Hi! My name is Gabe.

I am learning about careers. Careers are made up of the jobs people have during their lives.

Do you know what you want to be when you grow up?

There are so many choices! We have a long time before we have to make up our minds. For now, it is fun just to look at some of the careers out there.

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Some pages have a cocoon at the top of the page. The words by the cocoon are names of career clusters. A career cluster is a group of careers that have things in common. Some jobs fit into more than one cluster.
There are **16 CAREER CLUSTERS**.

Let’s see what people like to do in each cluster.

**Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources**
These people like to work with plants, animals, rocks or water.

**Architecture & Construction**
These people like to draw or build things. They work on things like houses, bridges and buildings.

**Arts, Audio/Visual Technology & Communications**
These people like to be creative. Some write, dance, sing, act or draw.

**Business Management & Administration**
These people like to run companies.

**Education & Training**
These people like to teach new things and skills.
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Finance
These people like to work with money.

Government & Public Administration
These people like to work for the public. They work to make lives better.

Health Science
These people like to keep people and animals healthy.

Hospitality & Tourism
These people like to help people when they go on trips or go out to eat.

Human Services
These people like to help people, families, and groups.

Information Technology
These people like to work with computers.
Wow! I like to do a lot of the things listed in the clusters. How about you? You have a long time before you need to figure out what you like the most. For now, let’s look at some careers and see what you can become!

**Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security**
These people like to keep people and places safe.

**Manufacturing**
These people like to work with machines. They put things together.

**Marketing**
These people like to sell things or services.

**Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics**
These people like to solve problems and test things. They like to use math and science.

**Transportation, Distribution & Logistics**
These people like to work with planes, trains, ships or vehicles. They move people and things.
Architects create plans for places like homes, buildings, bridges and parks. They create places that are useful and safe. They also want them to look nice. They choose the building supplies. They draw detailed plans called blueprints.

Draw a house that is longer than this one. Circle the apartment building that is longer.

Use a blue crayon to Circle the bridge that is shorter. Use a red crayon to Circle the bridge that is longer.
Assemblers put things together. They work in factories. Some of them work on only part of a product, while others work on a whole product. They use many tools. They work in teams to put together things like toys and cars.

Circle the bike that is on the left. Circle the pacifier that is on the right.

Color the lamp on the right blue. Draw a picture on the computer screen on the left.

Draw a beach ball on the right side of the umbrella. Draw a sun on the left side of the umbrella.

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Bakers mix and bake food. They make things like breads, cakes and cookies. They follow recipes. They use mixers, measuring cups and spoons.

The pictures are things a baker might use or make. Circle the pictures that have the vowel sound of the letter shown.

- a
- i
- u
- e
**Bookkeepers** keep track of money. They keep records of how much money a place earns and spends. Some pay bills. Some send out bills. They work in all kinds of places. They plan budgets. Budgets tell companies how much money they can spend.

**Count** the coins in the piggy bank. How much money is in the piggy bank?

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**Bonus:** Pet’s Playground got a bill. The bill is 74 cents. Does the piggy bank have enough money in it to pay the bill?
Carpenters build things. They work with wood. They use hammers, drills, saws and other tools. They make things like tables, houses and offices.

Count the things in each group. Write your answer on the line below each group. Add the groups together. Write your answer on the line to the right.

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Which tool would a carpenter NOT use? Circle it.
Cashiers work in stores. They ring up sales on cash registers and give customers change. They count money at the end of their shifts. Sometimes they stock shelves. They help customers find things.

Pretend you are a cashier in a candy store. Help the customers add the coins.

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Child care workers take care of children while parents work. They feed children healthy foods. They keep them safe. They plan arts and crafts projects and games. They read to children. They teach them numbers and colors.

Match two pictures of things that rhyme with each toy (see next page).
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Bonus: Draw something that rhymes with red.
Clergy are leaders of some religious groups. Some are called ministers, pastors, rabbis or priests. They write and give talks. The talks are called sermons. They visit sick people. They lead weddings, baptisms and funerals.

Count the number of objects in each set. Write the number on the line.
Computer programmers tell computers how to do everything. They write in languages called codes. The codes must be exactly right. Computers read these codes.

Draw the shapes that would come next in the pattern.
**Dentists** are doctors who take care of people’s teeth and gums. They fill cavities and fix broken teeth. They treat gum diseases. They pull teeth that are too bad to be saved.

**Cross out** the things that do not help keep teeth healthy. Look at the things you did NOT cross out. What letter do they start with? **Write** that letter on the line.

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Drafters draw plans. Workers use the plans to build things. The plans show workers how to make things like houses, cars, buildings, machines and toys. Most drafters use computers.

Below are objects a drafter might draw. Count the number of shapes in the objects. Write the number in the blank space.

How many rectangles can you find?

How many triangles can you find?

How many circles can you find?

Bonus: Use a blank sheet of paper to draw a picture of something a drafter would draw. Use lots of shapes in your drawing.
Firefighters put out fires. They try to save people and property. They want to prevent fires. Some make sure fire safety laws are obeyed. They teach people about fire safety. They help people who are hurt or sick.

Circle the fire truck that is the **longest**.

Circle the fire hydrant that is the **tallest**.

Circle the fire that is the **widest**.
Hair stylists wash, cut and style hair. They color hair. Some style hair for weddings and proms. Some take care of customers’ skin, fingernails and toenails.

The words and pictures are things hair stylists use. Match the word to the correct picture.

- bow
- comb
- mirror
- chair
- scissors
- brush
Mail carriers deliver letters and packages. They sort mail and bring mail to businesses and homes. They work outdoors in all kinds of weather. In cities, most mail carriers walk their delivery routes. In rural areas, they drive to places on their routes.

Mail carriers know their ABCs. **Connect the dots** from A to Z
Mechanics work on things like cars, trucks, boats and motorcycles. They figure out why things do not work. They fix problems. They use many tools. Some use computers.

The pictures are things a mechanic would use. Count the number of things in each group. Write the number on the line.
Photographers use cameras to take pictures. They may work for websites, newspapers, or magazines. Some photographers work in studios. They take pictures of people, food and other things. Some take school pictures, others photograph weddings.

The pictures below look the same, but have small differences. Find the differences and circle them.
Pilots fly airplanes and helicopters. They move people, cargo and mail. Pilots look at maps and check weather reports. They plan the routes they take. They must keep records of their flights.

Add the math problems in the picture. Then color the picture. Color each section the color that matches the sum.

3 = Yellow
4 = Red
5 = Blue

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1 + 4 &= 5 \\
2 + 2 &= 4 \\
0 + 5 &= 5 \\
2 + 3 &= 5 \\
4 + 0 &= 4 \\
1 + 3 &= 4 \\
3 + 0 &= 3 \\
4 + 1 &= 5 \\
0 + 5 &= 5
\end{align*}
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Truck drivers move things from place to place. They haul many different things, like milk, candy, animals or logs. Some drive short routes. They stay at home each night. Some truck drivers drive a long way. They spend some nights away from home.

Circle the item that holds **more** milk.

Circle the item that weighs **more**.

Circle the item that holds **more** ice cream.

Circle the item that weighs **more**.
Veterinarians are animal doctors. They take care of sick and injured animals. They give medicine to animals. They take care of pets. Some take care of farm animals. Some work at zoos. Vets teach owners how to keep their pets healthy.

Name the animals. Write your answers in the spaces.

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