

Discovering Life Skills

Chapter 7: Explore Careers

Chapter Summary

When you think about your career options, consider your strengths, interests, abilities, values, and goals. It is a good idea to begin thinking about the specific skills and the education and training you will need for the career you choose. As you study and gain work experience, it is a good idea to put together a portfolio of your skills, experiences, and qualifications. Talk about career possibilities with your parents, family members, school counselors, and teachers.

One of the first steps in finding a job that satisfies you is to consider your interests. Most people choose jobs based on their interests and skills. Without a high school education, your job opportunities will be limited. There are many options for education after high school. Part-time employment is part of your preparation for full-time employment. Some people go out on their own as an entrepreneur, starting and running his or her own business. Running your own business has many advantages.