## **Chapter 37 Identifying Career Opportunities**

### **Section 37.1 Define Goals**

### Section Outline with Content and Academic Vocabulary **Section Outline**

Choosing a Career **Define Your Personal Goals** Conduct a Self-Assessment Your Values Your Interests Your Skills and Aptitudes Your Personality Your Work Environment Preferences Your Relationship Preferences Identify Career Choices and Gather Information Libraries **Professional and Trade Associations** The Internet Informational Interviews **On-the-Job Experience Evaluate Your Choices Developing an Action Plan** Formulate Planning Goals Be Specific Be Realistic Work Backward **Professional Development Outlining Your Plan** 

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## **Content Vocabulary**

lifestyle The type of life you would like to live. (p. 873)

values Beliefs that guide the way we live. (p. 873)

**aptitude** An ability or natural talent, or the potential to learn a certain skill. (p. 874)

*Occupational Outlook Handbook (OOH)* A publication available online and in libraries that describes what workers do, working conditions, the training and education required, earnings, and expected job prospects in a wide rage of occupations. (p. 875)

career outlook The number and types of jobs available in any field. (p. 876)

**O\*NET** Occupational Information Network; a database that is the primary source for occupational information in the United States; contains information on skills, abilities, knowledge, work activities, and interests associated with occupations. (p. 876)

**internship** Direct work in a job that allows the person to get experience, either with or without pay. (p. 876)

**planning goals** Small steps taken to get from where you are to where you want to be in your career. (p. 879)

**specific goal** A goal stated in exact terms and including some details. (p. 880) **realistic goal** A goal that you have a reasonable chance of achieving. (p. 880)

## Academic Vocabulary

**publication** A copy of a printed word offered for distribution. (p. 876) **challenge** A demanding or stimulating situation. (p. 876)