

GRADE 9-12

LESSON

# Choosing a Career

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**TEACHER VERSION**

## Objective

Students will be able to:

- Implement a research process for evaluating a career using the Occupational Outlook Handbook.
- Identify the costs and benefits of a career, based on different aspects of an occupation.
- Explain how to determine if someone is suited for an occupation.
- Explain how a career interest survey helps students identify careers for which they may be suited.
- Identify sources of information for finding a job.

## Standards

[National Standards in Financial Literacy](#)

[State Standards](#)

[Common Core State Standards](#)

## Concepts

[Decision Making/Cost-Benefit Analysis](#)



In this personal finance lesson, students will evaluate careers to learn what career suits them.

## **Book Info**

This lesson is part of Financial Fitness for Life 9-12, 3rd Edition and provides the slides and activities with educational technology tools. For full access to the book, shop the teacher guide and student workbook below.

**TEACHER GUIDE**

**STUDENT WORKBOOK**

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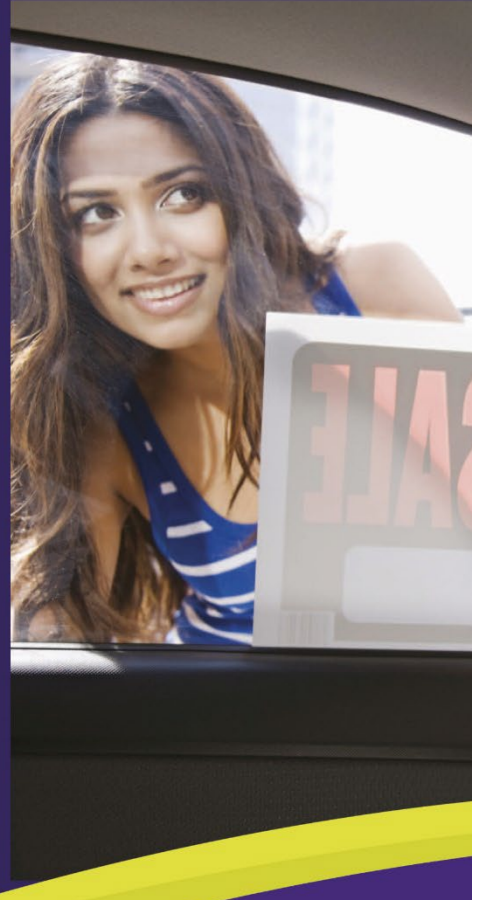
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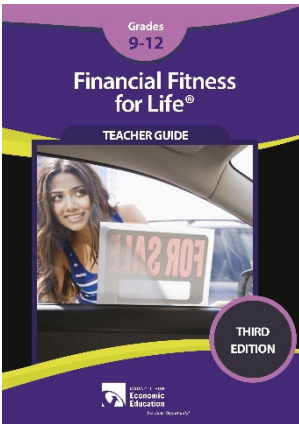
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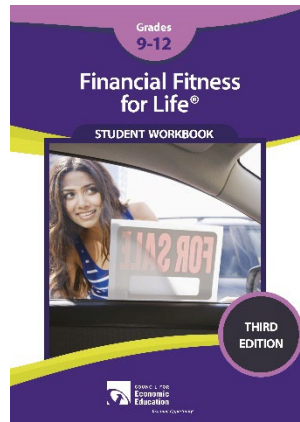
STUDENT WORKBOOK



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## Description

Having a sense of direction in terms of possible careers is an important factor in building financial independence. Yet many high school students have not thought much about what occupation or career they will seek after leaving school. And even the few who have a plan will probably reexamine this plan several times during their high school and post-secondary years. Making a choice about a career can determine how much income a person can earn, what they can buy, where they might live, and how comfortably they can live. The type of career also may impact a person's happiness or satisfaction and sense of fulfillment. In this lesson, students will examine a process they can use for evaluating careers and determining what careers might suit them based upon their own strengths, values, and past experiences.

## Resources

Lesson 4 Slides

## Professional Development

Learn how to implement this resource into your virtual or in-person classroom.

Webinar

[Financial Fitness for Life, Chapter 4: Choosing a Career](#)

On-Demand Webinar

Time: 60 mins