Worksheet B

Explore Careers

Grade 8-9

**Instructions:**

In small groups, share the results of your research and mentor interviews, and then work on your own to answer the reflection questions.

1. In your groups, one of you will act as the leader and ask the following questions to start the conversation:

1. Were you surprised by the number of occupations you learned about through your community work experience? Why?
2. What are the three occupations you researched? What was one interesting thing you learned about that you didn’t know before?
3. Do you think the three occupations are part of a career cluster? Why?
4. Can you describe the career cluster?
5. What were some of the things that influenced your mentor’s career choice?
6. Did any of the occupations interest you?

2. Individually, answer the following reflection questions:

1. What section of [Explore Careers](http://www.workbc.ca/careers) do you think will be most helpful for your future career planning? Explain why and how you think you will use it?
2. What are the connections between the mentor’s occupation and the possible career cluster identified at the workplace?
3. Of the occupations you learned about, which one, if any, might be of interest to you? Why?
4. When you interviewed your mentor, did you get a sense of how their interests and passions support the needs of the local community? What about the global community?
5. How do you think the local economy of a community impacts the availability of jobs in that community?
6. Do you think your community learning experience and conversations with your mentor will help you make future career decisions? Why?
7. When thinking about your own career pathway, could you use the network you developed during your community experience to help you select future courses?