

# Careers

## Did you know?

In the 1950's, only 2 out of 5 U.S. jobs required special skills. By the 1990's, 4 out of 5 jobs required skilled or professional workers

## Career Cruising

Rock star or pro athlete? Doctor? Teacher? Teens may see themselves with few career choices or so many choices it's hard to know which path to pick. Their plans may change from year to year, or even day to day. Young people often base their career goals on jobs they can see. They may seek high profile jobs celebrated in the media or jobs held by people they know and admire. What does it take to get these jobs? How much education is needed? What will the job prospects be after graduation? What else is out

there?

To answer all these questions, and more, visit these website: <https://www.mynextmove.org/explore/>

**p** It's a great website that connects students with all kinds of exciting careers. Using the O\*NET interest profiler tool. And it's free. The O\*NET Interest Profiler can help you find out what your interests are and how they relate to the world of work. You can find out what you like to do.

The O\*NET Interest Profiler has 60 questions about work activities that some

people do on their jobs.

### Step 1

Read each question carefully and decide how you would feel about doing each type of work e.g. strongly Dislike, Dislike, Unsure, Like and strongly like

### Step 2

Read the results of your interest profile. What kind of interest profile do you carry? Are you realistic, investigative, artistic, social, enterprising, or conventional?

### Step 3

You will be asked to pick a Job Zone. Using your Job Zone and your interests, the Interest Profiler will help you identify



Your CareerScope

and explore careers that might be right for you. Each O\*NET career is in one of five Job Zones, which are groups of careers that need the same level of experience, education, and training. Different careers need different amounts of preparation.

## Careers You May Have Never Thought of..

“What does someone with this job do every day? What is the workplace like? How much education is needed? Is this career fit for me?”

**Step 4.** Explore the Job Zones and select the Job Zone that's right for you. You will see careers related to your Interest Profile in your chosen Job Zone.

**Step 5:** You will find a list of careers that fit your interests and preparation level.

Click on a career to learn what they do.

**Step 6:** Under each career you will find the requirements of the selected career including knowledge required, skills, ability, personality required of the employee, education required, Technology

required, and job outlook i.e. whether or not a job is more or less likely to be available in the near future. You will also have an opportunity to explore more jobs related to the career you selected.

Now, open your eyes. Maybe you

had a vague picture of where you'd like to be working, but not really what that job is about. Or maybe you had no idea what kind of job you'd like to be doing. No matter what your picture was like, this is a great time to start thinking about all the different, exciting careers that are possible.