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What I want to be when I grow up?

From the time you are in 8th grade until you are a senior in high school, you will be asked that question frequently. More over, most kids really don't know what they want to be. Many answer with questions, "I want to get paid" and "I am going to be in the NFL or NBA". The honest truth is that very few of you will be a professional athlete and all of us have jobs in our lives. Ask any adult if just getting paid is what brings them to work, and I'm sure they will tell you that you have to like your job somewhat to make you want to come back. All the drama and frustration is not worth any amount of money. I challenge you to find a career and not just have a job.

A career typically pays a salary, and a job typically pays hourly wage. A career you work at for years, and a job you work at until you get frustrated and move to another job. You are currently in a CTE class. CTE stands for Career and Technical Education. During this assignment you will research and write a 500 word report on a career stemming from a CTE class.

Here is a brief list of careers related to CTE:

Automotive maintenance	cosmetology	Health care	Computer networking
manufacturing	Welding	Cabinetmaking	Researcher
engineering	Construction	Metal work	Teacher/professor
Business/secretarial	Plumbing	Architecture	Culinary arts
Business management	Agriculture	Software technician	Day care provider

An extensive list can be found at <http://www.vaview.vt.edu/68/careersq/career-search>

1. In this report you must include
 1. What university, community college or technical school that you can receive proper training for this career.
 2. How long do you have to study at this post-secondary school and how much does it cost each year.
 3. How much does a starting out position in the field you choose make? What are the benefits? (Dental and Health care, company car, etc). How much would you make after you have done this job for 20 years?
 4. Describe your job responsibilities and what exactly you do in this profession.
 5. Describe if there is possibility for advancement and how much an experienced person in your field makes.

2. Before you start, list 5 life goals you would like to accomplish in your lifetime.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

3. List three possible jobs/careers you would like to be when you are an adult. Do not list a professional athlete, YouTuber or professional musician.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

4. Go to <http://www.vaview.vt.edu/68/check-it/who-r-u/>. Complete the survey. What are the top two areas the survey thinks are best for you?

1. _____

2. _____

5. Find 5 post-secondary schools that offer your field of study and list them. They can be university, Comm. College, or trade school. (use <http://www.vaview.vt.edu/68/school-411/school-search> if you need help)

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4. _____

5. _____

6. Each school has its own website. (ex. www.vt.edu) List all five schools' web pages here. A full list can be found here: <http://www.gocollege.com/gocollegesearch/>

7. After browsing the 5 schools, select one school that you are most interested in attending and list it here _____ . List three facts about this school.

8. Almost every school web page has a link for future students. List the minimum requirements to be accepted for enrollment. (ex. 3.5 GPA, 27 on the ACT, 1100 on SAT, etc.) Go to the school website and click on the future student tab or admissions link for this information.

9. Now type a 500 word report and be sure to include your name and date at the top of the page. Use size 12 font and double spacing.