

# CROSS ROADS 10

Answer each question below with a Y (yes) or N (no), to learn more about where you are in career exploration and educational planning.

## Academically

- I feel good about my grades.
- I know what classes I need to take to graduate.
- I know what classes I need to take to reach my educational goals.
- I feel like I am in the right types of classes for my interests.
- I feel like my classes are preparing me for a career I would enjoy.
- I have discussed my schedule with my counselor.
- I have talked about my classes with my parents.
- My classes match up to my career goals and/or educational goals.

## Personally

- I know what I like and dislike.
- I know what types of jobs would be good for my personality.
- I know what my interests are.
- I know what my hobbies are.
- I can name my strengths.
- I can name my weaknesses.
- I know 5 words that describe my personality.
- I know certain jobs I would not like.
- I know certain jobs that I would enjoy.
- I know if I would work better alone or with others.
- I know if I would prefer being a leader or a follower.



## In the future:

- I can name 3 careers I would enjoy.
- I know what types of education I need to pursue my career interests.
- I know what job skills are.
- I can identify what skills I have for careers I am interested in.
- I have set academic and personal goals for this year.
- I have discussed my career and educational goals with my counselor.
- I have discussed my career and educational goals with my parents.
- If I graduated today, I know what I would do next to reach my career goals.

## Now:

Based on your answers to the questions on this page, answer the following:

1. What do you need to do this week to work on your career goals and educational goals? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What do you need to do this month to gain a better understanding of your goals for the future? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. How will you know when you have successfully planned your career and educational options? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



# SKILLS MATCH

## Skills Employers Want:

Writing Skills

Reading Skills

Math Skills

Time Management Skills

Communication Skills  
(writing & verbal)

Organizational Skills

Flexibility

Problem solving skills

Match up the different skills employers want on the right with examples on the left.

I write and speak clearly and accurately.

**A**

I can read and understand information.

**B**

I can communicate ideas in a written form clearly and accurately.

**C**

I can figure out ways to handle difficult situations.

**D**

I finish work on time or early.

**E**

I can prioritize tasks and keep information together and in order.

**F**

I can adapt to changing situations easily.

**G**

I can do basic arithmetic as well as work with numbers and figures.

**H**

Source: Directions: Mississippi State Occupational Information Coordinating Committee. Volume III. [www.ms-career.net.org](http://www.ms-career.net.org).

# CAREER FAMILIES

Career Families include careers that are similar. Match the correct career family under each occupation. Then select one occupation to research at [www.vaview.vt.edu](http://www.vaview.vt.edu).



1. Agronomist

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2. Adult Education Teacher

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3. Graphic Designer

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4. Paralegal

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5. Financial Manager

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7. Government caseworker

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Agriculture & Natural Resources

Arts & Communication

Wholesale/ Retail Sales

8. Accountants & Auditors

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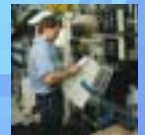
Scientific, Engineering, & Technical Services

9. Merchandise Displayer

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Human Services

Manufacturing



10. Semiconductor Manufacturing Technician

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Financial Services

Construction

Education and Training Services

Legal and Protective Services



11. Construction Equipment Operator

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Business & Administrative Services

Logistics, Transportation, and Distribution Services

6. Shipping & Receiving Clerk

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12. Industrial Engineer

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# WHAT ABOUT YOU?



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Grade: \_\_\_\_\_  
 School: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Things you like to do:

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Places you like to go:

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Classes you want to take in the future:

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Things that you are good at doing:

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Names of careers:

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Three goals you want to achieve this year:

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 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Three Careers you might like:

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 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Something good that you did today: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Something you need to do tomorrow: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Something you are proud of: \_\_\_\_\_  
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