

**Unit #1 Title:** Finding My Place In The World

**Grade Level:** 5

**Number of Lessons in Unit:** 3

**Time Required:** 30-40 minutes/each

**Best time of year to implement this unit:** Anytime

**Lesson Titles:**

Lesson #1: Where do I fit now? Have I changed?

Materials/Special Preparation Required:

*Where Do I Fit?* Activity Sheet each student completed in grade 4; plus a new copy for grade 5 (if not used in 4<sup>th</sup> gr. adapt lesson to meet your needs)

Career Paths Mini Poster

Mini Poster *Jobs in the World of Work*

Lesson #2: Back in the “Old Days”

Materials/Special Preparation Required:

Picture of a family sedan from 10 years ago, picture of a current “hot” car

Activity Sheet *How Times Change*

Mini Poster *Job Changes in the World of Work (one for each small group)*

Lesson #3: How Times Have Changed

Materials/Special Preparation Required:

Activity Sheet *How Times Change (completed)*

Flip chart/chalkboard

**Mississippi College and Career Readiness Standard:**

RI.5.5, SL.5.1c, SL.5.5, W.5.2a

**American School Counselor Association (ASCA) Mindsets and Behaviors:**

W 4

B-LS.7

B-SS.1, B-SS.2, B-SS.3 B-SS.6

**Unit Essential Questions:**

In what ways have jobs changed over the years?

How people’s interests change as they get older?

**Unit Measurable Learning Objectives:**

The student will identify at least one career that matches his/her interests.

The student will interview one worker, share this interview with others, and write a paragraph reporting the findings.

The student, as a member of a group, will identify five jobs that have changed over the last ten years.

**Unit Instructional Strategies/Instructional Activities:**

- Direct (Compare & Contrast)
- Indirect (Problem Solving, Writing to Inform)
- Experiential
- Independent study
- Interactive Instruction (Discussion, Interviewing)

**Unit Summative Assessment (acceptable evidence):**

**Summative assessment relates to the performance outcome for goals and objectives. Assessment can be question answer, performance activity, etc.**  
 The student will compare/contrast “*Where Do I Fit*” *Activity Sheet* completed in grade 4 with grade 5 “*Where Do I Fit*” *Activity Sheet*. The student will interview a worker and complete “*How Times Have Changed*” *Activity Sheet* regarding how the worker’s job(s) has changed over the past 10 years, and whether those changes have benefited him/her. The student will write a paragraph explaining his/her findings in relation to the worker’s future.

**Brief Summary of Unit:**

Students will complete a second “*Where Do I Fit*” *Activity Sheet* and compare the 5<sup>th</sup> grade results with grade 4 (see CD7-Gr4-Unit1-Lesson1). This will create an awareness of areas/personal preferences that have changed in the past year, and how those changes may affect his or her career choices.

Students will interview a family member or school staff member to learn how jobs have changed over the past 10 years. Results will be presented to the class.

**Student Prior Knowledge: What prior knowledge do students need (e.g. the steps to solving a problem) to be successful in this unit?**

Students will have knowledge of their own personal and educational interests and strengths.

Students will have knowledge of the six career paths.

Students will have basic knowledge of various jobs.

Students will know how to conduct an information-gathering interview and record responses in writing.

Vocabulary: Preference, Self-Assessment/Evaluation, Attributes