



### Jobs Versus Careers

What is the difference between a **job** and a **career**?

As we think of success and prosperity, it is important to move beyond just the financial dimension of prosperity to include values, community, contribution, and personal happiness.

Assess how you think about success and prosperity, read each of the following statements, and indicate if you agree, disagree, strongly agree, or strongly disagree.

- There are more opportunities for youth today than 50 years ago.

Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>

- To be successful, it is important to go to college.

Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>

- Working while in high school will increase your chances of getting a good job in college and later.

Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>

- Money is the most important thing about working.

Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>

- Being a hard worker will get you to the top.

Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>

- In general, men earn more than women.

Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>

- The most important thing to consider when choosing your career is what you enjoy doing.

Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strongly Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>

- My generation works as hard as my grandparents generation.

Agree ☐

Disagree ☐

Strongly Agree ☐

Strongly Disagree ☐

- I would like to own a home someday.

Agree ☐

Disagree ☐

Strongly Agree ☐

Strongly Disagree ☐

- Career planning doesn't matter because robots will do everything in the future!

Agree ☐

Disagree ☐

Strongly Agree ☐

Strongly Disagree ☐

- Earning a paycheck in high school would be a good thing.

Agree ☐

Disagree ☐

Strongly Agree ☐

Strongly Disagree ☐

- All I have to do is blog about my passion, and I will be fine.

Agree

☐

Disagree

☐

Strongly  
Agree

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Strongly  
Disagree

☐

- You have to work your way to the top.

Agree

☐

Disagree

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Strongly  
Agree

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Strongly  
Disagree

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- Getting good grades is the only way to get a good job.

Agree

☐

Disagree

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Strongly  
Agree

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Strongly  
Disagree

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- It's not about what you know; it's about who you know.

Agree

☐

Disagree

☐

Strongly  
Agree

☐

Strongly  
Disagree

☐

## **Mystery Text Note Catcher**

Directions: Based on your reading, answer the following questions:

1. Mystery Text Hypothesis: I believe the theme of the Mystery Text is
2. One thing I have a question about is
3. One thing that surprised me is
4. One new fact or idea for me is

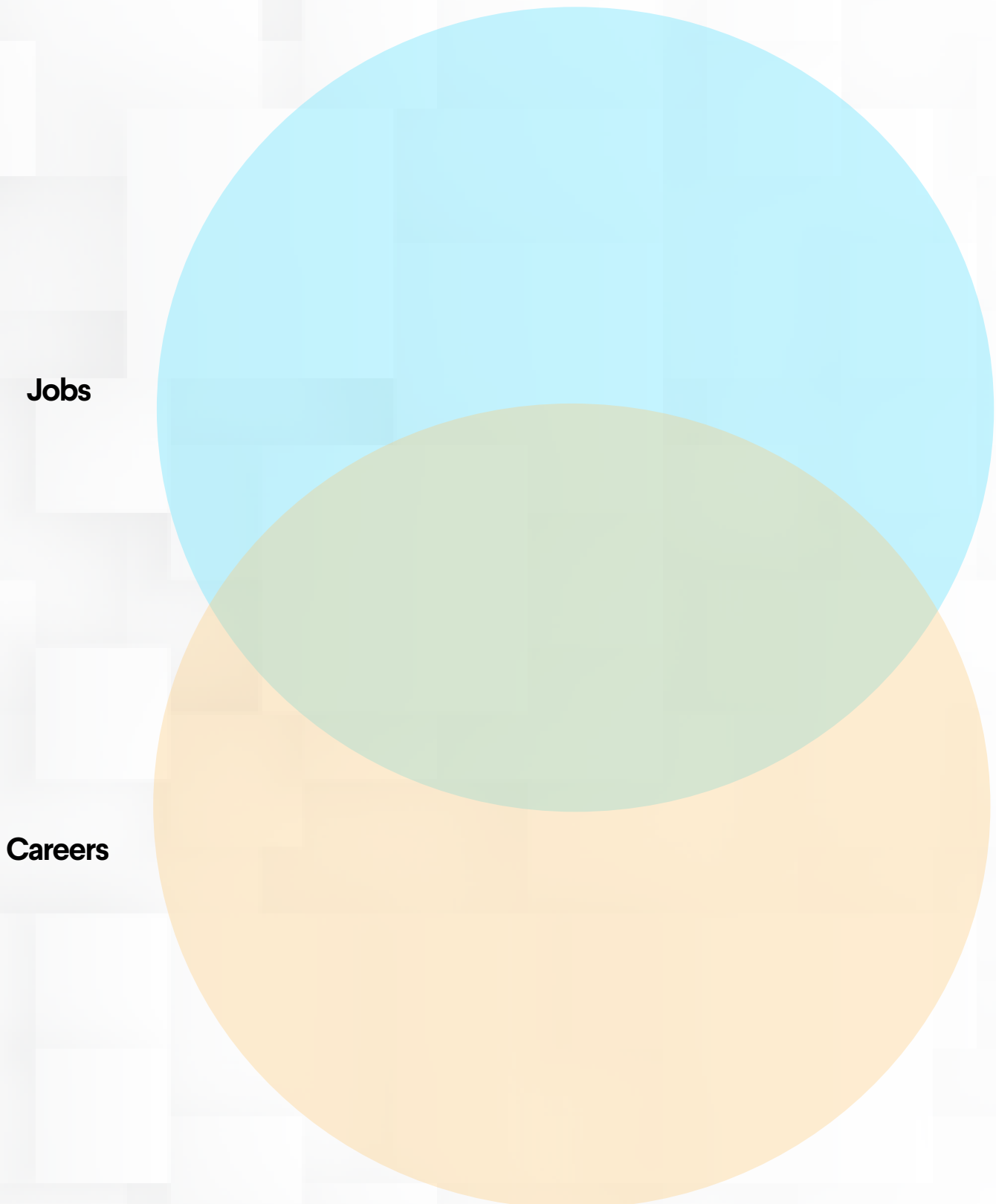
5. One personal connection I can make is

6. Do you agree or disagree with the claims in the text? Support your opinion.

6. The author geared her advice to young people in their twenties. What parts of it might be important for you? What piece of advice do you think you should consider?

## **Job and Career Venn Diagram**

Summarize how jobs and careers are different and similar by listing two aspects of jobs in the Jobs circle, two aspects of careers in the careers circle, and two things they have in common in the middle where the circles overlap.



## **Journal Reflection**

How did the information in this lesson impact your thinking about your future work choices?