

Turn your Interests into a Job

Summary: Family members make a list of interests and hobbies and compare them to similar jobs

Age Group: Full Family Activity

Materials: Pencil and paper

Instructions:

Having a job that you love is important as it makes going to work more enjoyable.

Have each family member get a piece of paper and pen/pencil. Each person will make a list of their interests & hobbies - what do you like to do? Once you have created your list, share it with your family members. Ask if they have any other ideas for your list. If you agree, add it to your list.

What kind of jobs are available for a person with those interests? Write your job idea(s) next to the interest on your paper. Have the family get together again. This time share what jobs you came up with. Brainstorm other job possibilities. Share what you like and dislike about each job.

Follow [this link](#) to see an example of the exercise.

Extension: Select 2 or 3 of your favorite jobs from your list. Research online to find out about that job. The Department of Labor has some information about jobs & career clusters if that would help. You can also research what the education requirements are for these jobs. Discuss everyone's findings as a family. This is a great time to compare everyone's careers. Do the adults in the family have jobs that use their interest? Discuss why or why not?

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