

DEAR EDUCATOR AND VOLUNTEER,

As you implement *JA It's My Future*® 2.0 (Civics Enhancement), we want you to be aware of the self-guided, on-demand digital resources available on JA Connect® to enhance and extend student learning. These bite-size learning activities average 5–10 minutes in length, are highly interactive, and are accessible via computer or mobile device at <https://connect.ja.org/work-career-readiness>. They may be used:

- As pre-program activities to help jump-start conversation.
- To practice concepts during your JA class sessions.
- As a follow-up for extended learning/practice.

All entry-level resources are available to any user. Intermediate and advanced resources require login (users can access with existing JA login or may self-register). Select the thumbnail image to go directly to the resource.

New resources are added frequently, so check back often. Examples of resources that align with JA It's My Future 2.0 (Civics Enhancement) include the following:



Work and
Career Readiness



Go to connect.ja.org
for more activities.

SESSION ONE: MY PURPOSE



Polish Your Personal Brand

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Students learn about the role of mentors and role models, examine the importance of networking, and explore how to receive constructive feedback.



Know Your Aspirations

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Students are given the opportunity to brainstorm their aspirations, make goals, and identify steps to achieve these goals.

SESSION TWO: CAREER PATHS AND CLUSTERS



Match Strengths and Interests to Careers

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Students learn about a personality test that can help them decide what type of job would suit them best and set them on the road to success.



Knowing Yourself

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Students learn the importance of self-knowledge and the role that metacognition can play in learning.

SESSION THREE: BRIGHT OUTLOOK CAREERS



Explore JA Career Speaker Videos

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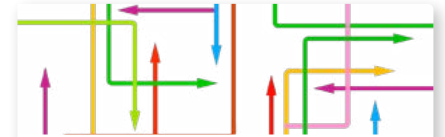
Students explore the various career clusters and watch videos to learn more about careers.



What is the Gig Economy?

 Entry

Students learn about the growing gig economy, and discover how many people are earning a part-time or full-time income on their own terms.



Gigs Are Everywhere

 Entry

Students discover the amazing breadth of gigs to choose from depending on their interests, time, skills, and resources.

SESSION FOUR: CAREER MAPPING



Collecting Evidence of Transferable Skills

 Entry

Students learn to identify and describe "transferable" skills that will help them land a job.



Commit to Goals

 Entry

Students learn the importance of committing to a goal as well as how to overcome obstacles to achieve a career goal.

SESSION FIVE: ON THE HUNT



Understanding Interviewing

 Entry

Students learn how interviews work and discover how they can benefit from the job interview process.



Preparing for a Winning Interview

 Entry

Students learn nine tips to ace a job interview.



Dressing for Interviews

 Entry

Students learn three different ways of dressing for an interview and discover how appearance impacts their chances for landing the job.

SESSION FIVE: ON THE HUNT (CONTINUED)



Interview Etiquette



Entry

Students learn how to prepare for an interview, positively present themselves when they walk in, and answer questions appropriately.



Online Job Applications



Intermediate

Students learn what information is needed to complete an online job application and practice filling one out.



Introduction to Job Search Tools



Entry

Students learn how to choose and make the most of the amazing job search tools in their pockets.



Informational Interviews



Entry

Students learn about the benefits of informational interviews and get tips on how to get the most of an interview they've set up.



Understanding Job Postings



Entry

Students learn what information to look for in each of seven different areas on a job listing and then test their knowledge with real-world job descriptions.

SESSION SIX: SOFT SKILLS



Active Listening



Entry

Students learn the difference between active and passive listening, and practice active listening strategies.



What is Collaboration?



Entry

Students explore different situations in which teamwork is the key to success.



How Collaboration Works



Intermediate

Students learn the five stages of collaboration, how each functions, and why they are all important to the collaborative process.

SESSION SIX: SOFT SKILLS (CONTINUED)**What is Growth Mindset?** Entry

Students learn about growth mindset and how to identify it in themselves and others.