

How Do You Get There?

Study Greatness!



One way to explore career choices is to look at **successful people in that career.**

This activity will get you to:

1. Pick a famous person that involved in a career you might be interested in.
2. Find out a bit more about that person and how they got to where they did?



STEP 1

- Select a **famous person** that is:
 - a) Involved in the career you might consider for the future.
 - b) Someone you look up to or respect.
- If you can't think of one, google: *famous...then the career title.*
- If you still can't find someone that interests you, **pick someone who is famous that you admire and wouldn't mind learning more about.**

STEP 2

Once you have found your person, use the internet to find out **the answers to the following questions about that person.** You can try to look up the answers directly, but you also might try **finding an interview with that person** (on video, podcasts, or written). Have fun!

1. Where did they grow up?
2. What was their family like? Brothers, sisters? Parents? Parent occupations?



3. What sort of **economic conditions did they grow up in?**



4. What sort of **education** did they get?



5. Besides education, was there **any clear steps the person had to take before entering that career.**

6. Was there a particular **reason they choice the career they did?** If so what was it?
What led them to this choice?

7. List some note worth **accomplishments the person has achieved.**

8. **How many years did they have to work** to achieved their accomplishments?

9. What **major setbacks** occurred in their career?



10. Were there **any sacrifices** the person had to make to become successful?...Less time with family/friends? Less Money? Poor Health?

11. **Why** do **you** think they became so successful? Luck? Hard work? A specific event?

12. What **personal characteristics** do they have that **you think** helped them become successful?

13. Find a **quote** by this person that you think you could agree with or that might inspire you.

STEP 3

Now **share your paper with a friend a classmate** and answer the questions below to find out any common traits you that your famous persons shared?

1. Do they shared any **personal traits**:
2. What **family triats**?
3. Did they share any of the **conditions that they grew up in**?
4. Do they have **anything else in common** you would like mention?

Some examples of people famous for work in their careers:

Einstein

Elon Musk

Jane Goodall

David Susuki

Drake

Bill Gates

Wayne Gresky

Michelle Obama

Barak Obama

Myrle streep

Edward Jenner

Beyonce

Paul McCartney

Neil De Grasee Tyson

Andree De Grasse

Steve Jobs

J.K. Rowling

Salman Khan