

# Alphabet Careers

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**Objective:** To appreciate that career opportunities span the alphabet. To identify skills/knowledge associated with these many careers.

## Supplies:

- Alphabet Flash Cards
- Pencil/pen/marker
- Whiteboard or flip chart paper (or worksheet)
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## Procedure

- Activity can be done in pairs, small groups, or by individuals. If group is large, this could be done as a relay or as a station-rotation.
- Draw a letter from the deck of flash cards.
- Brainstorm a list of careers that begin with that letter.
- Describe one skill or bit of knowledge needed for each career named.

## Process Out:

- Share results. How many careers were easily named? Of those named, are there any that are unusual or unique – not as “common” or readily known?
- Discuss the skills/knowledge named. Make connections to school – reading writing, math, science, communication, interpersonal skills, etc.

## Extensions of Activity

- Have student select a career of interest and learn more about it – based on a set of criteria
- Use O\*Net or another web-based resource to generate career list
- Draw a picture or illustration of the career
- Identify if/where this career/occupation is present in local community
- Sort and categorize careers by cluster/pathways, interests, skills, knowledge, education required
- Create a map or matrix that shows possible relationships between careers.
- Bind into an alphabet book

