

# Career Choosing Report

Due: \_\_\_\_\_

## Helpful Websites and Sources (be sure to cite all sources used):

<https://www.surreyschools.ca/EducationalPrograms/TradesCareerCourses/Pages/default.aspx> (school district apprenticeship programs)  
[www.itabc.ca](http://www.itabc.ca) (apprenticeship training)  
[www.jobspeopledo.com](http://www.jobspeopledo.com) (exploring careers)  
[www.educationplanner.bc.ca](http://www.educationplanner.bc.ca) (exploring post-secondary options)  
[www.careercruising.com](http://www.careercruising.com) (exploring careers)  
[www.jobfutures.ca](http://www.jobfutures.ca) (Canadian occupational profiles and labour market info)  
[www.workbc.ca](http://www.workbc.ca) (British Columbian occupational profiles)  
[www.worksafebc.com](http://www.worksafebc.com) (work safety)  
Post Secondary websites such as: UBC, SFU, UVIC, UFV, UNBC, BCIT, TWU, VCC, Kwantlen, Douglas, Langara, private institutes

### **OBJECTIVE: Choose the career you are most interested in and investigate it. CRITERIA:**

Format is a written report, minimum 8 pages: title page, 1 page per section below, reflection. (Double-sided pages are allowed.)  
Must be organized, easy to read (proofread carefully!), and formatted for easy scanning.  
Must use visuals as illustrative support (pictures, images, diagrams, charts, tables, graphs, screenshots, etc.).  
All sources used must be cited on the page you are using the information.  
You must research all aspects of your career, and then write a thoughtful reflection (see below).

#### **Section 1: Nature of work**

What type of environment might you work in?  
What type of work might you do on a daily basis?  
What might be some of your duties?  
What type of hours might you work? (Think daily, weekly, and seasonally/yearly.)

#### **Section 2: Suitability**

What type of personality suits this job? (refer to Holland's personality quizzes/information)  
What types of people most commonly work in this job? (demographic info: gender, age, culture, etc.)  
What types of interests, skills, and abilities are associated with this career?

#### **Section 3: Education / Training**

What high school courses should you take to pursue this career or gain entrance to post-secondary programs in this field?  
What type of post-secondary education do you require, and/or is recommended? Will you require additional training or upgrading in the future?  
Describe a specific program you would realistically consider taking, including:

- location and cost of program
- entrance requirements and prerequisites
- length of training
- exit qualifications and/or credentials you will receive as a result (e.g. certificate, diploma, baccalaureate, associate degree, bachelor degree, graduate degree, citation, apprenticeship, journeyperson)
- whether this is all you need for postsecondary training, or whether more training will be required

#### **Section 4: Labour Market Information / Advancement**

Will there be much opportunity for work in this field in the future?  
Will there be opportunities for future advancement (promotions) in this field?  
What part of the world is most in demand for this type of work?  
To what career could your training and/or experience be transferrable to, in case of career switch later in life?

#### **Section 5: Workplace Safety**

What risks and dangers are associated with this career? (*and yes - all jobs have risks & dangers!*)  
What safety precautions are common at this job?

#### **Section 6: Remuneration**

What type of wages and benefits can you expect working in this career? Consider when starting out, and also as you "climb the ladder".  
Besides money, what kind of job satisfaction can someone expect in this line of work?

#### **Reflection (in full sentences!)**

Is this the career for you? Why or why not?  
What do you like about it? What are your concerns about it?  
What did you find out that surprised you?