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Session One: My Brand Students examine well-known businesses to learn about brand and reputation. They complete a personal brand worksheet to define their own brands and then design logos to represent themselves. Objectives: Recognize branding as a way to build a positive reputation, personally as well as in the business world. Design a logo that expresses their personal brand.	A1 Students identify and demonstrate interests, skills, habits of mind, and experiences that build and maintain a positive self-concept. A2 Students analyze how positive and negative personal traits, choices about behaviors, and the belief that one can successfully complete tasks/goals affect success in school.	RI 6.7 L. 6.1-6 SL. 6.1-3 SL. 6.5 L. 7.1-6 SL. 7.1-3 SL. 7.5 RI 8.4 L. 8.1-6 SL. 8.1-3 SL. 8.5
Session Two: Career Clusters Students are introduced to the 16 career clusters, take a career interest assessment, learn about potential jobs within their preferred cluster and then share job information with other classmates and discuss the importance of all jobs within a community. Objectives: Identify jobs in specific career clusters that they would like to further explore. Understand the interconnectivity and value of all types of jobs.	A3 Students identify decisions and demonstrate behaviors that reflect positive interpersonal skills and lead to success in school or community.	RI 6.7 L. 6.1-4 L.6.6 SL. 6.1-2 SL. 6. RI 7.4 L. 7.1,3,4 SL. 7.1,2,4 RI 8.4 L. 8.1,3,4 SL. 8.2,4
Session Three: High Growth Careers Students learn about declining and high-growth careers and possible reasons for changes in a job's outlook. They are introduced to several high-growth occupations and have the opportunity to research growth careers in their preferred career clusters. Objectives: Recognize the difference between high-growth and declining careers. Identify specific careers that are forecasted to have high growth.	B3 Students locate and analyze the use of different types of resources, including occupational information and labor market information, to explore post-secondary education, training, and career choices. C4 Students identify and explain how diverse and changing societal and global needs, including economic needs, influence personal decision-making.	RI 6.7 L.6.1,4,6 SL. 6.1-2 RI 7.4 L. 7.1,4 SL. 7.1-2 L. 8.1,3,4 SL. 8.1
Session Four: Career Mapping Students learn how early experiences can provide transferable skills that contribute to future job success by looking at well-known celebrities and their paths to success. They learn about career maps by examining a sample and creating their own. Objectives: Identify experiences and activities related to foundational skills that are transferable to a future job. Plan the significant markers needed to earn a particular job.	A4 Students develop and demonstrate positive strategies that aid in accomplishing tasks, creating balance among their career and life roles, and reducing stress. B1 Students explain how educational achievement and lifelong learning lead to increased participation in school, work, community, and the world. C3 Students identify behaviors that influence career and education decision- making.	L. 6.1-4 L.6.6 SL. 6.1-3 L. 7.1,3,4 SL. 7.1,2,4 L. 8.1,3,4 SL. 8.1-2



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Session Five: On the Hunt Students learn about the process of looking, applying, and interviewing for a job. They read about the process and then play a game in which they must identify two truths and a myth about each topic. Objectives: Recognize basic job-hunting tools, including job postings, applications, recommendations, and interviews.	C1 Students explain how the parts of the planning process assist in the exploration of education and work opportunities, and serve as tools for setting short-term and long-term goals.	RI 6.7 L. 6.1-6 SL. 6.1-2 SL. 5-6 RI 7.4 L. 7.1,3,4 SL. 7.1,2,4 RI 8.4 L. 8.1,3,4 SL. 8.2,4
Session Six: Soft Skills Students learn about the differences between technical and soft skills and why both are essential to keep a job. They complete a soft skills self-evaluation to determine which skills they already have and which they can work toward. Finally, they role-play situations that require having strong soft skills. Objectives: Differentiate between technical skills and soft skills. Describe specific soft skills they already possess and those on which they need to improve.	B2 Students analyze their skills in relation to those that lead to learning and success in the classroom, and the achievement of schoolwork, career, and personal life goals. C3 Students identify behaviors that influence career and education decision- making.	RI 6.7 L. 6.1-6 SL. 6.1-2 SL. 5-6 RI 7.4 L. 7.1,3,4 SL. 7.1-2 SL.7.5-6 RI 8.4 L. 8.1,3,4 SL. 8.1-3

