



PRINTABLE CAREER QUEST

Canyon Career Clue Quest

A portrait-printable activity for rising 9th graders who want to explore careers without pressure.

You are not supposed to have your whole future figured out in 8th grade. This quest helps you notice clues, explore ideas, and take one tiny next step while iLevelUP is still in development.



Time: 20-30 min

Print: 8.5 x 11 portrait

Bring: pencil + curiosity

Good to know: Use this quest now, then save your notes for later.

Your quest map

1

Find your career clues

Notice what you enjoy, what you are building, and what problems you care about.

2

Explore three ideas

Try three possible paths before you narrow anything down.

3

Take one tiny step

Do a 10-minute action and write what changed.

4

Save your snapshot

Keep your notes for high school, a counselor, or iLevelUP later.

Start here: pick your pace

Quick quest - 10 minutes

Complete one box on page 2 and one action on page 4.

Full quest - 20-30 minutes

Complete pages 2-6.

Talk-it-out quest - 15 minutes

Use the questions with a trusted adult.

This is not a test. There are no wrong answers. Write, sketch, circle, or talk it through.



QUEST 1

Find Your Career Clues

Career clues are small hints about what catches your attention, what you are good at, and what kinds of problems you may want to help solve.

Trail tip: Do not overthink it. Write the first honest thing that comes to mind. You can change your answers later.

What catches my attention?	What strengths am I building?	What problems do I care about?
A topic I could learn about for a while: _____ _____ _____	People ask me for help with: _____ _____ _____	I wish someone would improve: _____ _____ _____
A class, hobby, video, game, sport, or activity I notice: _____ _____ _____	A skill I am practicing: _____ _____ _____	A group, place, animal, cause, or community I care about: _____ _____ _____
Something I get curious about: _____ _____ _____	Something I am proud I kept trying: _____ _____ _____	A problem I would like to help solve someday: _____ _____ _____

Circle your strongest clue today

Then finish one sentence below. This turns a loose idea into a useful clue.

I noticed that I care about:

I might want to learn more about:

A question I want to ask is:



QUEST 2

Explore Three Career Ideas

Pick three ideas from your clues. They can be realistic, surprising, creative, hands-on, college-based, trade-based, or still a maybe.

Trail tip: A maybe is useful. You are exploring options, not signing a contract with your future self.

1 Career idea 1

Career or field name

Why it caught my attention

One skill this path may use

One class, club, or activity I could try

One question I want to ask about this path

2 Career idea 2

Career or field name

Why it caught my attention

One skill this path may use

One class, club, or activity I could try

One question I want to ask about this path

3 Career idea 3

Career or field name

Why it caught my attention

One skill this path may use

One class, club, or activity I could try

One question I want to ask about this path

Idea bank: Health, animals, art, business, building, food, sports, coding, games, teaching, outdoors, helping people, fixing things.



QUEST 3

Pick a 10-Minute Action

Choose one action you can do this week. The goal is momentum, not perfection.

Trail tip: Small actions count because they give you new information. New information helps you ask better questions.

Pick	10-minute activity	What to write down after
<input type="checkbox"/>	Watch a day-in-the-life video about one career idea.	One thing that looked interesting or surprising.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ask one adult what they actually do at work.	One task, skill, or question you did not expect.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Look up one career on a trusted site.	Two facts: what people do and what training may be needed.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Write down classes, clubs, or activities connected to one idea.	One school-based way to explore before 10th grade.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Make a mini mood board for a future job idea.	Three images, words, or symbols that match the path.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Make a not-for-me-yet list.	One thing you learned about what does not fit you right now.

Before you move on: Circle the activity you picked. Then use the next page to write what happened.



QUEST 4

Write Trail Notes

After your 10-minute action, write what changed. Then choose a better question to ask next.

Trail tip: Reflection is part of the quest. You are not just doing an activity - you are noticing what it teaches you.

Trail notes

One thing I learned:

One thing that surprised me:

One thing I still wonder:

Better questions to ask

Career questions

- What careers connect to the things I enjoy?
- What skills would help me explore this path?
- What class, club, volunteer activity, or summer program could I try?

High school questions

- Which 9th grade classes keep my options open?
- Are there electives, CTE classes, or clubs I should learn about?
- Who should I talk to if I feel unsure about my next step?

Support questions

- Is there a mentor, program, or trusted adult who can help me keep exploring?
- Where can I find official information about college, career, or scholarships later?
- What is one thing I can do before school starts?



QUEST 5

Save Questions for Later

Your questions are useful. Save them for a counselor, mentor, teacher, family member, program staff member, or future iLevelUP activity.



Trail tip: iLevelUP will be designed to help students organize questions and next steps. Until it is live, use this page to practice.

My best questions to save

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Who could I ask?

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Counselor or advisor | <input type="checkbox"/> Mentor or program staff |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher or coach | <input type="checkbox"/> College, career, or scholarship office later |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family member or caregiver | |

Reminder: For official answers later, use the correct school, college, program, or government source.



BONUS

My Career Clue Snapshot

Keep this page. You can use it during the first week of high school, in a counselor conversation, or when iLevelUP becomes available.

Trail tip: The snapshot is not a final answer. It is a starting point you can update as you learn more about yourself.

My top clues

One thing I enjoy:

One strength or skill I am building:

One problem or issue I care about:

Three career ideas I want to explore:

One trusted adult I can ask:

One small step I can take this summer:

Before you put this away:

Take a photo or save this page.

Ask one question to a trusted adult.

Come back later and update what changed.