

# CAREER START K: HOW MANY???



## ACTIVITY GUIDE

Standards of Learning for this activity:

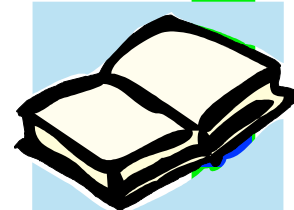
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Number and Number Sense: K.2,  
K.5  
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Writing : K.11

Kindergarten Introduction to  
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Economics: K.5, K.6

Field Trip Ideas:

- Construction Site
- Library
- Bakery
- Grocery Store
- Department Store
- Office Supply Store



Guest Speaker Ideas:

- Construction Worker
- Dump Truck Driver
- Office Worker
- Grocer
- Cook
- Nutritionist
- Baker/ Chef
- Lab Technician

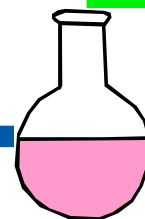
Expansion Activities:

- Assist students in placing the occupations in the correct career family.
- Identify related occupations in different career families.
- Have students trace each other's body on butcher paper, then students color in to make a particular career.
- Bring in various objects for students to guess what career matches different tools and objects.
- Relate each object in this activity to different occupations





Fun & Games:

- Set up a mock bakery or grocery store with various foods, boxes, and play money.
- Have students talk about healthy meals, the food pyramid, and create a place mat showing healthy foods.
- Bring in pretend money and a kid's cash register for students to play store using school supplies.
- Create a construction site using sand and toy vehicles.





# Make a book.

Color , cut , and read the book.



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## Field Trip Ideas:

- Veterinary School
- Veterinarian's Office
- Farm
- Animal Shelter
- Pet Store -Zoo

## Guest Speaker Ideas:

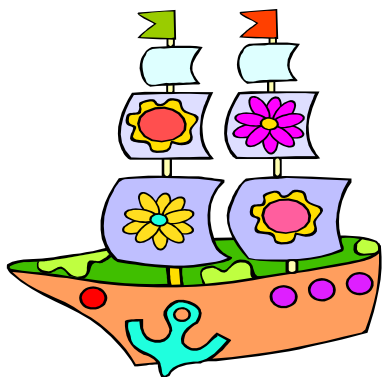
- Veterinarian
- Professor of Veterinary Medicine
- Veterinary Assistant
- Farmer
- Animal Caretaker
- Animal Shelter Manager/ Clerk



## Expansion Activities:

- Have students select a book about a favorite animal from the library. Ask students to read the book with a parent at home and draw a picture about the book. Students then share their pictures with the class.
- Using the career search, at [www.vaview.vt.edu](http://www.vaview.vt.edu), look up a list of other occupations that work with animals. Talk about the occupations with students. Show videos about those occupations from the VA View web site.

## Fun & Games:

- Create a pretend veterinarian's office using a play doctor kit, chart paper, pencils, and stuffed animals.
- Have a stuffed animal day for students to bring in their favorite stuffed animal.
- Have a pet day for parents to bring in student's pets.
- Ask a canine unit police officer to visit with a police dog.
- Create a fund raiser to collect food and supplies for a local animal shelter.



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Field Trip Ideas:

- Toy Store
- Public Library

Guest Speaker Ideas:

- Librarian
- Parents (to describe their occupations)
- Various workers in the school
- Any occupation



Expansion Activities:

- Discuss Career Families. Look at [www.vaview.vt.edu](http://www.vaview.vt.edu) and click on Careers for a list of career families. Put each career students discuss in the correct career family.
- Discuss how people's interests can also become their careers.
- Have a career dress up day where students dress up as their favorite career.
- Invite parents to speak about their careers.

Fun & Games:

- Have a career book day.
- Create a student career fair, in which each class researches careers in a particular career family, makes posters, and displays. Then students rotate to different classrooms.
- Have students bring in their own toys and discuss how they are related to careers.



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#### Field Trip Ideas:

- Construction Site
- New Home being built

#### Guest Speaker Ideas:

- Contractor
- Construction Worker
- Carpet Layer
- Plumber
- Electrician
- Landscape
- Carpenter
- Brick Layer
- Architect

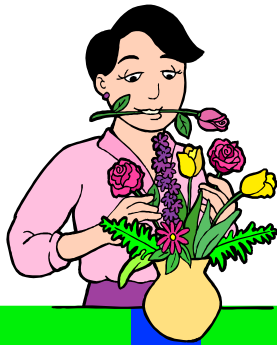
#### Expansion Activities:

- Learn more about each occupation listed on this activity as well as related occupations.
- Have students create career collages out of magazines and original drawings.
- Students create pictures of their own dream house.

#### Fun & Games:

- Have students use different materials to build houses such as blocks, egg cartons, boxes, etc.
- Have students use mini marshmallows and toothpicks to build structures. Award prizes for the tallest, widest, etc.
- Create wire sculptures using various wires.
- Create a place for the class to landscape the school grounds.

# Match Each Item to the Job



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Field Trip Ideas:

- Department Store
- Florist
- Post Office

Guest Speaker Ideas:

- Painter
- Plumber
- Floral Designer
- Postal Worker
- Store Clerk



Expansion Activities:

- Discuss the different occupations on this page.
- Read a book about some of the occupations on this activity.
- Have students write and address a letter to mail at the post office.
- Use this activity to work on counting money and identifying coins.
- Learn about different plants and flowers used in floral arrangements.

Fun & Games:

- Create a pretend store with play money and items to buy.
- Create a pretend florist with plastic pots, foam, and artificial flowers.
- Take buckets of water outside with paint brushes for students to "paint the school."
- Have each student create mailboxes out of shoe boxes. Students write and mail letters to each other using their mailboxes.

