

Pre-reading Questions

Answer the question before you read the article.

Questions	Answers
1. What may you focus on when you make a plan for the future? (a) What I can learn. (b) Who I can work with. (c) If I have certain skills. (d) My interests. (e) The distance of the school from my home. (f) My goal in the future.	
2. Based on the cycle diagram, what should one focus on about career planning?	

While Reading Notes

Fill in the blanks when you are listening to the reading.

Three years have passed. Your life in junior high school is _____.

Soon, you'll have to start _____ about your own future. It could be _____.

That is why it's important to make a _____.

To start a _____, first answer this question: How well do you know yourself? By now, you should have a sense of your _____ and _____. If not, you need to find out what you're good and bad at. The next thing is to _____ how you can _____ your _____. Talk to someone, _____, or take some _____ to see which _____ might be good for you.

As soon as you have a _____ for your career, it's time to _____. Think about what you need to do to get the job you want. What type of _____ should you go to? What kind of _____ should you take? Sometimes doing a _____ can help you _____ and test the water, and so can _____. Finally, just _____

_____ your plan. Learn and _____ it along the way.

A career plan is a useful tool to help you reach your goal in life.

But remember: If you feel like you're going down the wrong road, you always have the _____ to change course.

Reading Mind Map

After you read the article, finish the mind map.

Planning for the Future	
Key Points	It's important to make a _____.
Know	You need to _____ of or find out your _____ and _____.
Explore	_____ to someone (maybe your teacher or parents), _____, or _____ to explore how you can make good use of your _____ in your career.
Decide	Make a plan for your career: thinking what you need to do 1. What type of school 2. What kind of courses 3. Doing _____ and doing _____ help test the water.
Act	1. _____ your plan. 2. Learn and _____ along the way.
Conclusion	_____ helps you a lot, but _____ if you need it.

Post Reading Questions and Answers

After reading the article, please answer the questions.

Questions	Answers
1. When you make a career plan, what question should you ask first?	
2. What is the second step for you to make a career plan?	
3. What are the ways for you to know more about your talents?	
4. What do you need to do to get the job you want?	
5. What is the last step to make a career	

plan?	
6. What does “If you feel like you're going down the wrong road, you always have the power to change course” mean?	