CAREER AND COLLEGE DEVELOPMENT

LESSON 7-16 ▲ “YOU DON’T SAY” CAREER GAME

**LEARNING GOALS/OUTCOMES**

* Students will identify careers based on the tasks performed by people in those careers.
* Students will describe how their interests relate to careers.

**MATERIALS NEEDED**

* **Student Handouts:**
* “You Don’t Say” Game Rules (included in this lesson plan – one copy for each team of three students)
* “You Don’t Say” Game Cards (one set for each group of six students)
* **Timers or a clock with a second hand**

**CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES**

1. **Introduce the “You Don’t Say” career game.** Divide your students into groups of six (or more). Within each group, divide the students into two teams. Then distribute one copy of the *Game Rules* to each team and review them together. You might want to ask one group to play a sample round as a demonstration.
2. **Play “You Don’t Say.”** Distribute the *Game Cards* to each group and let the fun begin! See how students do at guessing the various careers. If there are careers they have difficulty guessing – or have never heard of before – you might want to start a list for future career exploration. Remind students how they can learn more about careers. For instance, they can search for career information at Career Ship® at: [www.mappingyourfuture.org/planyourcareer/careership/](http://www.mappingyourfuture.org/planyourcareer/careership/).
3. **Discuss career interests.** Ask students if they learned anything new about a career while playing the game. What did they learn? How can they learn more? Remind them that they can check the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics’ **What Do You Like** web site at [www.bls.gov/k12](http://www.bls.gov/k12) for more information.

**STUDENT PRODUCTS**

* **None**

**ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AND OTHER INFORMATION**

The following resources are helpful for middle school and early high school students to share with their families, to learn more about postsecondary and career options.

* **What Do You Like? What Do You Like?**

[www.bls.gov/k12](http://www.bls.gov/k12)

* **Education Planner**

[www.educationplanner.org](http://www.educationplanner.org)

* **Mapping your Future**

[www.mappingyourfuture.org](http://www.mappingyourfuture.org)

* **Career Ship®**

[www.mappingyourfuture.org/planyourcareer/careership/](http://www.mappingyourfuture.org/planyourcareer/careership/)

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LESSON 7-16 STUDENT HANDOUT

“YOU DON’T SAY” GAME RULES

**PREPARING TO PLAY**

Assign all players into groups of six (or more). Make sure each group has a pack of cards and a timer (or access to a clock with a second hand).

Break each group into two teams: Team A and Team B.

Team A begins. One player from Team A should be the first Clue giver. The Cluegiver sits facing his or her teammates, so that the teammates cannot see the Cluegiver’s card. Team B players can stand behind the Cluegiver so that they can see the card.

**PLAYING A ROUND**

The Cluegiver draws from the top of the deck of cards. The word in all capital letters at the top of the card is the career (the Guess word) the Cluegiver is trying to get the teammates to name. The three words below the Guess word are the “Don’t Say It” words that the Cluegiver CANNOT use when giving clues.

As soon as a card is drawn, the timer is started. The Cluegiver shouts out clues and his or her teammates shout out the names of possible careers based on those clues. Remember, the Cluegiver CANNOT use the “Don’t Say It” words and cannot say the Guess word in any way!

The Cluegiver can use words or sentences for clues. However, no gestures, sound effects, noises, “sounds like,” “rhymes with,” or initials are allowed.

**SCORING POINTS**

Take 1 minute for each round. If the team guesses the career before the end of the round, the Cluegiver should draw a new card and keep going.

Add 1 point to the team’s score for each career correctly guessed.

At the end of 1 minute, switch teams: a player from Team B becomes Cluegiver, draws a card, and begins.

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“YOU DON’T SAY” GAME CARDS

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| **ELECTRICIAN**  Current Wiring Transmitter  Installs and repairs electrical systems in houses and other buildings. | **PHOTOJOURNALIST**  Picture Camera Story  Photographs newsworthy people and places for newspapers, TV, blogs… | **EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN**  Ambulance Patients Paramedics  Gives immediate care and transports sick or injured. |
| **BARBER**  Hair Cut Clippers  Cuts and styles people’s hair. | **SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELOR**  Drugs Alcohol Group  Helps people deal with addiction and substance abuse. | **MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTIONIST**  Reports Records Types  Listens to recordings by doctors dictating medical reports. |
| **HOTEL MANAGER**  Motel Rooms Lodging  A manager of a hotel is responsible for maintaining the entire business. | **PLUMBER**  Pipes Water Sink  Installs and repairs water, sewer, and gas lines in homes & buildings. | **BUILDING INSPECTOR**  Job sites Examines Construction  Examines the construction, alteration, or repair of buildings. |
| **DENTAL ASSISTANT**  Teeth X-Ray Instruments  Performs a variety of patient care and laboratory duties with dentists. | **MUSICIAN**  Instrument Professional Band  May play musical instruments, sing, compose, arrange, or conduct. | **DANCE INSTRUCTOR**  Flexibility Steps Music  Teaches a variety of dance forms including ballet, jazz, and modern. |

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| **METEOROLOGIST**  Weather TV News  Forecasts the weather on TV,  radio, or Internet. | **TATTOO ARTIST**  Body Needle Ink  Performs permanent body art. | **X-RAY TECHNICIAN**  Film Pictures Body  A person who takes  x-rays for doctors. |
| **COACH**  Athletics Sports Team  A teacher/leader of a specific team sport or individual athlete. | **BRICKLAYER**  Masonry Mortar Fireplace  Builds walls, floors, fireplaces, and structures with brick, concrete, and other materials. | **COMPUTER PROGRAMMER**  Program Software Function  Writes, tests, and maintains  software for computers  or other devices. |
| **FLORIST**  Flowers Bouquet Arrangement  Cuts and arranges live or dried flowers for customers. | **CARPET INSTALLER**  Tack Wall-to-wall Carpet  Installs padding and carpeting in homes and other buildings. | **PROBATION OFFICER**  Arrest Offenders Jail  Police officer who is responsible for people released from jail. |
| **APARTMENT MANAGER**  Rent Deposit Lease  A person responsible for managing and maintenance of apartments. | **FISH & GAME WARDEN**  Badge Animals License  Protects and controls the safety of the natural habitat. | **JEWELER**  Stones Ring Necklace  Designs, makes, and repairs rings, necklaces, and other jewelry. |
| **FUNERAL DIRECTOR**  Mortician Death Enbalming  Plans memorial services and burial arrangements with the family. | **ATHLETIC TRAINER**  Workout Equipment Sweat  Provides athletes or teams with conditioning and therapy. | **CHEF**  Kitchen Stove Baking  Responsible for preparing meals. |
| **LOAN OFFICER**  Bank Finance Credit  A trained professional who arranges for mortgages, car loans, and other financing. | **AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER**  Planes Tower Runway  A person responsible for directing traffic in the sky. | **CONTRACTOR**  Building Blue prints Boss  A licensed professional who directs building or remodeling jobs. |

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| **GRAPHIC ARTIST**  Media Design Freelance  Uses print, electronic, and film media to create art. | **PARALEGAL**  Lawyer Documents Research  Performs many of the same tasks as lawyer except those considered the practice of law. | **BOOKKEEPER**  Money Paycheck Bills  A person responsible for recording the financial transactions of a business. |
| **CHILDCARE WORKER**  Toddler Naps Stories  Provides basic care and activities with young children. | **MAIL CARRIER**  Post Office Mail Envelopes  Delivers mail on their routes on foot and/or in vehicles. | **AUTOMOBILE MECHANIC**  Tools Cars Instruments  Maintains, repairs, and inspects vehicles. |
| **ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**  Type File Paperwork  A person responsible for maintaining office duties for businesses. | **WELDER**  Torch Pipes Metal  Permanently joins metal parts together. | **POLICE OFFICER**  Gun Badge Criminal  Responsible for the safety and wellbeing of communities. |
| **DRAFTER**  Computer-Aided Design Drawing Blueprints  Prepares technical drawings and plans for construction workers. | **CABINETMAKER**  Wood Shelving Carpenter  Operates machines to make doors, windows, and cabinets. | **COSMETOLOGIST**  Hair Perm Manicure  May style hair, give manicures, pedicures, and facial treatments. |
| **SET DESIGNER**  TV Movie Stage  Designs movie, TV, and theater sets. | **PHOTOGRAPHER**  Camera Film Lens  Produces pictures that record an event or tell a story. | **BANK TELLER**  Money Transfer Deposit  Handles a wide range of banking transactions for customers. |
| **INTERIOR DESIGNER**  Plans Upholstery Color  Plans the space and furnishes the interiors of homes and businesses. | **FOREST RANGER**  Wildlife Trees Parks  Manages forested land for a variety of purposes. | **REAL ESTATE AGENT**  Housing Sales Closing  A person who facilitates the purchase of land and buildings. |

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| **VETERINARY TECHNICIAN**  Animals Medicine Assists  Helps veterinarians provide health care for animals. | **FIRE FIGHTER**  Siren Emergency Truck  Responds to emergency situations in which life, property, and environment are at risk. | **SPEECH PATHOLOGIST**  Language Sounds Mouth  Works with people who have trouble with speech, sounds, and language. |
| **TEACHER**  Student  Grades  Classes  An educator who helps  students learn. | **POLITICIAN**  Election  Vote  Term  A government official who has been elected to represent local citizens. | **BARISTA**  Coffee  Latte  Steam  Works in a coffee shop preparing espresso drinks. |