

# 11th Grade English Summer Assignment 2021

## Introduction

Junior year is probably the most important of your high school career. Why? Because at the start of your senior year you will have to start seriously looking at applying to colleges, trade/tech schools, training programs, or careers. The grades you get, the classes you take, and the activities you participate in will act like a resume. But these things are only helpful if you know what you want to use them for.

The 11th grade English curriculum looks at the American Dream. We want to explore this idea and help prepare you for the future by examining what your next step after high school, your individual dream, might be.

Your summer assignment is to explore possible career choices. Follow the steps below and fill in the back of this paper.

**Due: August 10-13 for extra credit,  
by August 31st otherwise**

**Step 1**– Consider what you already know about a possible career and answer these questions

- What do you want to do for a living? Why?
- What will it mean to you to achieve this goal?
- What does your family expect you to do after high school?
- If you and your family have different expectations, how will you handle these choices?

**Step 2**- Follow the links, take the quiz/profile, and record your results

Survey 1: <a href="http://www.careerexplorer.com">www.careerexplorer.com</a>	Your Results:	Your opinion: (Did the results surprise you? Why or Why not?)
Survey 2: <a href="http://www.mynextmove.org/explore/ip">www.mynextmove.org/explore/ip</a>	Your Results:	Your opinion: (Did the results surprise you? Why or Why not?)



**Step 3–** Take either one of the careers your survey results gave you or one you already had in mind. Research about that career to get a deep understand of what is involved in preparing for and working in the field you choose. Record information from two of your research sites in the chart below.

Research Source 1:	Three things you learned:	Your reaction: How does this information affect your understanding/opinion of the topic?
Research Source 2:	Three things you learned:	Your reaction: How does this information affect your understanding/opinion of the topic?

**Step 4–** Consider what you already know about a possible career and answer theses questions:

-Does your dream job require any type of training, tests, or a particular level of education?

-If so, where can you go to fulfill those requirements? What must you do?

-Do you need a particular score, GPA, etc, to fulfill this requirement?

-What will you need to do THIS year to set yourself up to meet these goals?

-Would you feel energized/motivated by this work? Why or why not?

-What gifts do you have that this work could utilize?

-Would it allow you to grow as a person? Why or why not?

-Could you see yourself at this job in 20 years? Why or why not?

