

## Elementary Trades and ADST Projects at Home

**Project:** Trades career exploration

**Time required:** 1 to 2 hours or ongoing

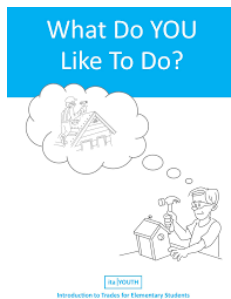
**Theme:** Career-life connections. This activity can be used to explore career opportunities and interests in trades and may aid students in discovering a path to a fulfilling career as a trades person.

**Grades:** K-7

**Tools and Materials:** Internet access, paper and pencil

### **Procedure:**

1. Begin exploration of careers in trades with K-5 students by visiting <http://youth.itabc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Elementary-Trades-Career-Workbook.pdf>. This work book will help to introduce various trades and explore interests that students may already have.

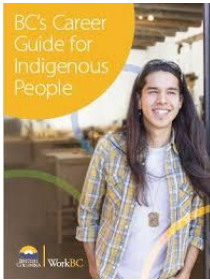


Visit <https://theelementarywoodshop.ca/> for further exploration of a program for teachers with no woodworking experience to deliver a fun and engaging experience in Applied Design, Skills and Technologies “ADST”. This program also includes entrepreneurship and indigenous learning components and is a great resource for introducing trades careers to students.

2. If an interest in trade careers has previously been established, or further exploration is needed with grade 5-7 students, visit <https://www.workbc.ca/Resources-for/Resources-for-Counsellors-Teachers-Parents.aspx> to explore occupations of interest, skills identification, and find your fit events. Many resources are available for teachers and parents through WorkBC and this resource in itself is very valuable.

Visit <https://www.workbc.ca/Jobs-Careers/Find-Your-Fit-Tour.aspx> to determine where and when a Find-Your-Fit tour will take place. The Find-Your-Fit tour is an event that helps students discover and explore careers in trades with hands-on stations from nursing to carpentry.

3. Also of great value for Indigenous students is BC's Career Guide for Indigenous Peoples found by visiting <https://www.workbc.ca/getmedia/9f259552-8baf-4d22-a78c-0d5f3559ec2d/BC-Career-Guide-Indigenous-People-2018.pdf.aspx>.



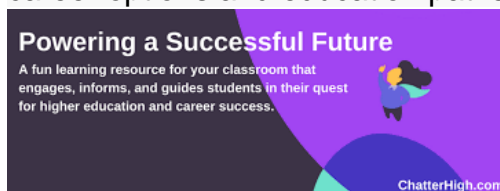
This comprehensive guide provides valuable tools and activities to help Indigenous students and job seekers identify and pursue jobs for meaningful careers.

4. If you are unsure of which career path to take try a free career quiz at <https://www.workbc.ca/careercompass/career-quiz.aspx>



Each quiz can help identify strengths, work preferences and interests to explore careers that may suit you best.

5. Visit <https://chatterhigh.com/en/general/about> for fun and interactive career exploration for senior students. The Chatterhigh mission is to increase hope for all students and empower them to make mindful higher education and career decisions. A great resource for students, parents and teachers to help guide career options and education paths.



6. In closing, access the Skills Canada National Competition which has gone digital! [agenda](#)



Exciting events will be featured during the week that the Skills Canada National Competition was to be held. These unprecedented times have not impeded the goal of engaging with youth and partners in several initiatives highlighting skilled trade and technology career opportunities.

### **Extensions:**

- For further exploration of careers and personal assessments visit <https://careerprocanada.ca/career-exploration-assessments/> to uncover many Canadian careers resources. Here a variety of free, online self-assessments will assist individuals with awareness of skills, temperament, and abilities while emphasizing lifelong learning and continuous career planning.

### **Assessment:**

- Visit <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/curriculum/career-education/all/courses> to make connections with career education curriculum and grade specific big ideas and learning outcomes.

### **Resources and Links:**

<https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/curriculum/career-education/all/courses> (Career education curriculum)

<https://www.workbc.ca/> (Provincial employment and career website)

<https://www.workbc.ca/Resources-for/Resources-for-Counsellors-Teachers-Parents.aspx> (Provincial career planning resources for parents, teachers and counsellors)

<https://www.workbc.ca/Jobs-Careers/Find-Your-Fit-Tour.aspxu> (Find your fit tour)

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[https://www.skillscompetencescanada.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/SCNC-2020-Digital-Campaign\\_Agenda\\_Tableid\\_En.pdf](https://www.skillscompetencescanada.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/SCNC-2020-Digital-Campaign_Agenda_Tableid_En.pdf) (Skills Canada digital agenda)