

CAREER PATH STEPS

Name:

Class:

Date:

Career: Carpenter

TA Champion:

School:

Goal: *Determine whether this career fits my interests and skills.*

Use Your Resources:

1. What does a carpentry job involve?
2. What are some programs or organizations that provide training to be a carpenter?

Day-in-the-Life Video:

3. Why did Dan go to college? Why did he feel this way?
4. Dan talks about the demand for framers/carpenters. Why do you think there is such a demand for these jobs?
5. Where did Dan (and many others) receive his training to be a carpenter?
6. According to Dan, there are some characteristics that are essential to becoming a carpenter. What are they?
7. What are some basic skills you need to be successful as a carpenter?
8. How does Dan feel about his job security and the benefits from it? Why?

9. What is Dan's most obvious source of pride as a carpenter?

10. How does the work Dan performs help other people or his community?

Personal Reflection:

11. Dan felt the pressure to go to a 4-year college and had a bad experience. When you think about your future, do you see yourself having success at a 4-year institution? Or do you think a career like Dan's might be more your style?

12. The characteristics that Dan lists as essential to becoming a carpenter are good ones to cultivate. How might you work on those to better your chances at this career?

13. How is your personal situation similar to or different from Dan's?

14. What parts of being a carpenter might be challenging for you? What might be interesting?