

# CAREER PATH STEPS

**Name:**

**Class:**

**Date:**

**Career:** Plumber

**TA Champion:**

**School:**

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

**Use Your Resources:**

1. What skills do you need as a plumber?

**Day-in-the-Life Video:**

2. What are some misconceptions of plumbers according to Tom?
3. What does Tom like about being a plumber?
4. With new plumbing equipment Tom installs, what are three benefits it provides?
5. How does the work Tom performs help other people or his community?
6. Did Tom go to college or immediately start a career? Why?
7. How did he like those early careers? What was missing?
8. What careers did Tom try before becoming a plumber?

9. How does Tom feel about his personal financial situation? Why?
  
10. Where does Tom work and what does he think about the company?
  
11. Do you think there will be good demand for plumbers in the future? Why?
  
12. What hobbies does Tom have after work?
  
13. What are the three levels of training to become a plumber?

**Personal Reflection:**

14. Tom says he loves puzzles. Plumbing is a job that can't be automated because it takes brainwork. Do puzzles like this appeal to you? What kinds of challenges (like puzzles) do you enjoy that could be like plumbing?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
15. Based on Tom's description of plumbing, what kinds of misconceptions did you have about plumbing? What new things did you learn about the job?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
16. How is your personal situation similar to or different from Tom's?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
17. What parts of being a plumber might be challenging for you? What might be interesting?