

Case Studies—Suggestions from Professional Tools

1. Logan

Logan should complete the [Interest Profiler](#) to discover occupations with tasks that interest him.

Since money is important to him, Logan could also use the [Career Finder](#) to search careers by Salary. Using the [Career Finder](#) can also show him how higher earnings often correspond to higher education level.

He can review the pros and cons of different careers by reading the career profiles. While reading the profiles, he should be sure to check out the Aptitude section. The Aptitude section can help him determine if his career goals fit with his numerical aptitude and manual dexterity.

2. Jane

Using the [Career Finder](#) to search by Education, Training and Work Experience will help Jane see how quitting school may limit her career options.

Since she has many strong aptitudes, she should also use the [Career Finder](#) to search by Aptitude.

The [Interest Profiler](#) will also help her focus on occupations with tasks that interest her.

Because she also has some clear work values, Jane should use the [Work Values Sorter](#) to find careers with the work values that are important to her.

3. Fred

Fred should review the academic requirements of some engineering occupations by reading the What to Learn section of the career profiles in the Engineering and Architecture career cluster.

To get a sense of the academic requirements for engineering, he can research schools offering engineering programs using the [School Finder](#).

In order to find other careers that fit with Fred's wish to earn a high salary, he could use the [Career Finder](#) to search by Salary. He could also search by Future Outlook and Employment, since those are also considerations in his wish to become an engineer.

He should also conduct a search using different levels of Education, Training and Work Experience to see which occupations correspond to each educational level.

To get a more view realistic view of the working world, Fred may want to watch some [Career Videos](#) linked to some related occupations.

4. Harry

Harry should read the Accountant [career profile](#) in order to review all aspects of this career. As he reads, he should note any discrepancies between the career profile and his personal profile.

He could also use the [Interest Profiler](#) to see which other careers fit his interests in math.

5. Kindra

Using the [Career Finder](#), Kindra can search by Career Cluster in order to focus on finding careers in the creative arts. Since salary is a concern, she can combine this with a search by Salary.

The [Work Values Sorter](#) will help Kindra research careers that emphasize her work values, including her interest in working with people.

6. Althea

Althea could start by running a few searches with the [Career Finder](#). She should search by Interests, ticking only "Artistic" or "Realistic." To find careers that fit her writing talent, she can also search by Transferable Skills. To factor in her physical limitations, she could search by Physical Abilities and Physical Demands.

In addition, the [Work Values Sorter](#) will help Althea focus in on occupations that emphasize the aspects of work she values most.

7. Jim

Since Jim has clear ideas on what he values in a career, the [Work Values Sorter](#) would be a good place to start researching careers that match his values.

He should also complete the [Interest Profiler](#) to focus on careers that match his interests.

Because Jim has specific working conditions he wishes to avoid, he should also use the [Career Finder](#) to search by Working Conditions.

Jim should also look at the career profiles for the careers he's interested in, making sure to check out the Working Conditions and Physical Demands and Work Values sections.