





JA Inspire Workbook
Teacher Guide



# Welcome!

Teachers - the JA Inspire Student Workbook will help your students explore options for their future. They will learn more about themselves and what they might want to choose for a future career. This prep work is meant to prepare them for the Business & Industry Showcase.

The fillable PDF worksheets can be downloaded if you would like to collect student's work.

\*\*Please have students complete the required pre-program survey located on the first page of their workbook.\*\*



**Lesson One: Career Interests and Your Path** 

Video Link for lesson one: <a href="https://youtu.be/dtTiFQID2ts">https://youtu.be/dtTiFQID2ts</a>

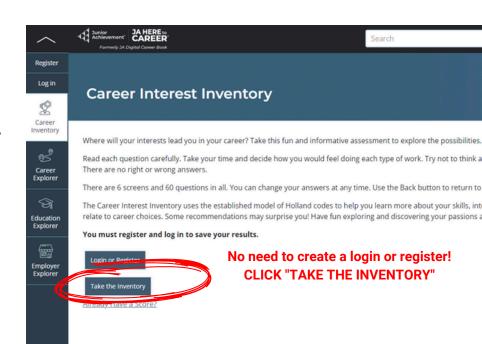
PDF worksheet link for lesson one:

https://data.ja.org/s/RgIAAA

Career Interest Inventory link for lesson one (not mandatory):

If your students have used another platform to explore their areas of interest, they can use what they already know to complete the worksheet.

https://career.ja.org/cii
Students WLL NOT need to
create an account! Before they
navigate away from their
results they will need to record
their scores on pg.2 of the
worksheet.





### Session Two: Career Planning and Your Path

#### **Video Link for lesson two:**

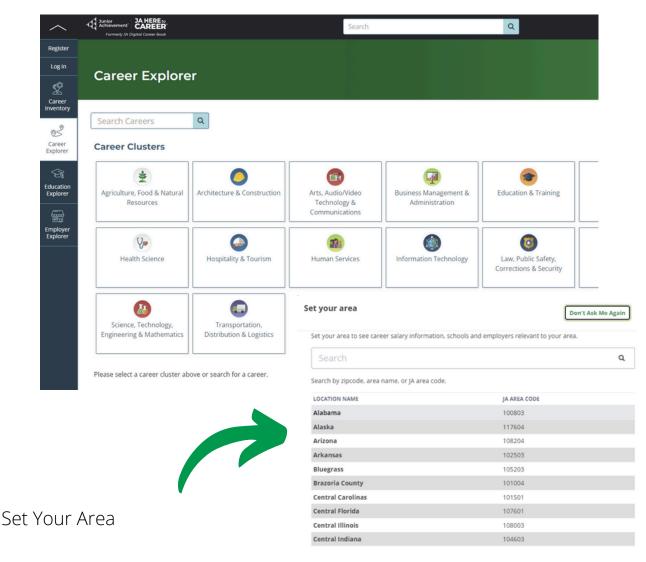
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6iM7oA\_q5k8

#### PDF worksheet link for lesson two:

https://data.ja.org/s/RwIAAA

#### JA Here to Career link for lesson two:

https://career.ja.org/explore-careers



Because your students are not creating accounts in this system they will be asked to **Set Your Area**. Please have them enter the JA Area Code **101301**.



## Session Three: Preparing for the Showcase

Students prepare for the 8th Grade Business & Industry Showcase by reviewing logistics of the day and getting ready to make a good first impression when interacting with business representatives.

#### Students Will:

- Learn the logistics and the do's and don'ts of attending the in-person event.
- Learn the importance of networking and create an elevator pitch to help them network at the event.
- Prepare questions that they want to ask and practice asking them.
- Express their expectations of the upcoming event.

# **Preparation and Materials**

Review the session and the Student Workbook provided by JA.

The activities in the Student Workbook are:

- JA Inspire Elevator Pitch Guide
- JA Inspire Question Guide
- JA Inspire Do's and Don'ts
- Personal Interactions (can be printed to use on the day of the event)

Review the Business & Industry Guide to help students draft appropriate questions. Determine if additional time to research the businesses and careers would be valuable to students.



## Session 4:

Students now reflect on what they have learned and identify next steps to further define their academic choices and career path.

#### **Students Will:**

- Evaluate personal goals and priorities based on their experiences at the Showcase.
- Identify next steps, including exploration of high school coursework and other research.

### **Video: Reflections and Next Steps**

Video link for Lesson 4: <a href="https://youtu.be/0CP4zZLbiQg">https://youtu.be/0CP4zZLbiQg</a>

Student Worksheet Link: https://data.ja.org/s/TQIAAA

### **Conclusion**

- Congratulate the students on their success. Encourage them to review their career assessment results as they consider academic courses for next year and beyond.
- Remind students to explore the self-guided activities on JA Here to Career: <a href="https://connect.ja.org/">https://connect.ja.org/</a>

\*\*Please have students complete the required post-program survey located on the last page of their workbook.\*\*

Thank you teachers for all you do to guide and inspire students to reach their future potential!