

Mining Career Task Summary

TASK #1: At the direction of your teacher, select a career in the mining industry from the following list, conduct research on it and write a proper job description for it. Use the Human Resource Director description as a model, including the same categories of information for your selected or assigned career.

TASK #2: Picture the lifestyle you want to achieve in the future. "Draw" your picture out on paper, in the form of a paragraph, mindmap or list. Include: type of job, time off, salary, benefits, family/vacation time, house type, car type, recreational interests, and all the other aspects of your future daily life. Share the picture with your partner. Help each other clarify questions, concerns and dreams you have about the look of your future lifestyle. Discuss how your dream futures may be both similar and different

TASK #3: Reflect on the information that you have heard in class about mining industry jobs and about dreams for the future. Consider the connection between jobs and lifestyles Post your thoughts in the Minequest Lobby at the Making Ends Meet Talking Point. You will find responses from students across Wyoming.

TASK #4: Follow the steps outlined and complete the budget worksheet to find out if you can afford the life of your dreams by working in the mining industry. For this task, click this link to print the Budget Worksheet or your teacher will provide you with one.

TASK #5b.1: In addition to the one career you just researched, identify three additional careers that you think about because they match your interests and your goals in life. Do some quick research on the Internet or in your school's guidance office regarding the job responsibilities, the salary/benefit package, and other factors involved with these careers.

TASK #5b.2: Once you finish the matrix, select any two separate scores. Identify the scores you choose by the cell they are in such as Solution 3, Criteria 5. Explain what you were thinking when you gave these two ratings.

TASK #5b.3 Explain how the highest rated career from your matrix assures you that the majority of your needs will be met in a positive manner. Think about and explain if there are any negative consequences for this career for you. How might you, as an adult, accommodate the negative consequences in your chosen career? Can you develop solutions that will make your adult life and career choice something that brings you satisfaction? Explain your reasoning.

Task #6: Share any additional discoveries, surprises or insights from this Minequest at the Minequest Student Lobby. Find out what students in other schools and towns in Wyoming are looking forward to when it comes to careers and lifestyles.