

CAREER VESTS



Materials

- Brown grocery sacks (one per student)
- Chalkboard or overhead projector
- Pencils, pens, markers or crayons
- Old magazines
- Scraps of colored paper or fabric
- Scissors
- Glue

DIRECTIONS

Background:

Agriculture is a field with many different career opportunities. Some sample careers might be:

- Veterinarian
- Food scientist
- Florist
- Marine scientist
- Nutritionist
- Botanist
- Wildlife biologist
- Fashion designer

This project asks students to think about the different careers available in agriculture, choose one that interests them and create a vest which depicts that career choice.

Directions:

1. Have a brainstorming session about careers in agriculture. List these careers on the chalkboard or overhead projector.
2. Have each student pick a career. Have them research it to find out what someone in that career does for a living and what kind of education they need.
3. Give each student a paper sack. Have them create a vest by cutting armholes, a front opening and a hole for their head (*see example.*)
4. Have students decorate their vest with pictures, drawings etc. that depict

their chosen career. For example, if they choose florist, they might decorate their vest with flowers, but also with images from a wedding, a science lab or a field. All have something to do with the floral industry.

5. Have students present their vests to the class and explain the occupation they chose and why. Ask them to also explain the training needed to enter the field.

Example:

