

PEAK READINESS ACTIVITY 1c: Introduction to Independent Life - Part 3

White Collar Work & the White Circle

When you make the commitment to finish college, you move up to the white circle, where people are generally referred to as white-collar workers. People who earn a 2-year associates degree or a 4-year bachelors degree generally work with their minds. They can become engineers, teachers, nurses and accountants. They start at higher rates of pay and can afford to live better than the blue-collar workers. They get more vacation time, drive a newer car, and can afford things like a boat or a motor home. *Click directly on the True Life Chart to find the answers to these questions:*



The education for a person in the WHITE circle is:

People who graduate from college are generally called:

White collar workers usually work with their:

And white collar workers often make more than:

Give three examples of a white collar worker from the True Life Chart:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

An example gross salary from the WHITE circle is:

Explain what the WHITE circle means to you.

Professional Work & the Green Circle

If you finish college and go on to advanced professional studies, you move up to the green circle. You can become a specialist like a doctor, dentist or airline pilot. In these professions, you work with your hands and your mind and have the opportunity to earn a high income. Having more expensive things like an finer car, a big house, a sailboat and extended vacations, plus the honor of doing specialized or technical work, are some of the rewards for being a professional.

Workers in the GREEN circle are usually called:

The education for a person in the GREEN circle is:

Give three examples of a professional's job or career.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

An example gross salary from the GREEN circle is:

Explain what the GREEN circle means to you.

Journal: The Working World

In the space below, write some personal notes on what you've learned about the working world. Any surprises? Any worries?

Conclusion



True Life Chart

Look at the True Life Chart again, and consider...

The options are yours. You can even choose to fail. If you choose not to fail, then you, along with every other human being, have to find your place on the True Life Chart. Look at the circles again: which one do you want to be in? Which of the circles of education on the True Life Chart represents the life you want to have for yourself?

Put the Chart on your wall, door or some place where you can look at it every day. It will be a visual reminder that helps you understand that you are an individual with the freedom to be the person you choose to be.

Congratulations! You've just completed Exploring the True Life Chart.



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