**ELL Career Research paper**

This paper is designed to help you focus your educational and career goals so that you may can reach the goals you set for yourself. You will be researching your desired career. However, you may NOT research the jobs of: professional singer/musician/rapper, professional actor, biggest G in the hood, or a professional athlete in any capacity.

As you work through this packet complete each section and fill out ALL boxes. This paper is worth 150 points and we are spending a full week in the library working on it.

**Part 1 what am I doing now?**

**Grades and background**

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| Current GPA? |  |
| 1st hour grade/absences |  |
| 2nd hour grade/absences |  |
| 3rd hour grade/absences |  |
| 5th hour grade/absences |  |
| 6th hour grade/absences |  |
| 7th hour grade/absences |  |
| How many times have I been in trouble (IP or the police)? |  |
| How many times have I been absent total? |  |
| I work a job | Yes No  |

**Part 2 what do I want to do with my future?**

**What do I want?**

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|  | What? Or (Yes/No) | Why? |
| What job do you hope to have and why? |  |  |
| Do you hope to have a family? |  |  |
| Every parent hopes to provide something great for their children. What do you hope to provide for your children that wasn’t provided for you? |  |  |
| What state/country do you hope to live in when you are an adult? |  |  |
| What kind of house do you hope to have?  |  |  |
| What kind of car do you hope to drive? |  |  |
| If you have/ choose to have children, what are your hopes for them? |  |  |

**Part 3: How do I get there?**

**The Job**

**Use the website** [**http://www.bls.gov**](http://www.bls.gov) **to find information for this section**

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| What is the name of the job that you want? |  | Cite all of your sources in the column ex. (bls.org) |
| What is the starting pay? |  |  |
| What is the most amount of money you can make in this job? |  |  |
| What degree do you have to have? |  |  |
| What special training do you need? |  |  |
| How many years of experience do you need to have to get the job? |  |  |
| What is the average salary? (The pay that most people working that job make? |  |  |
| Can you have a criminal record and still work in this job? |  |  |
| Do you need college for this job?  |  |  |
| Do you need a high school diploma for this job? |  |  |
| Do you need to be a citizen of the country you’re going to live in to work at this job?  |  |  |
| If the answer to the above question is no, do you need a workers visa or permit to work this job? |  |  |
| Can you start working this job, in some way while you’re still in high school? If yes, how? |  |  |

**Full citations:**

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**Part 4: It’s MY life!**

How does this all fit together?

In this section you are going to create a budget for your life. Mrs. Lambert and I will walk you through a program that creates a budget for you. However, you MUST find the actual house you want to live in in the area in which you would like to live, and the actual car you would like to drive, after you create the budget move on to the next section.

**Part 5: Conclusion**

What do I need to do?

Look back at all of the information you have written on this paper and the budget that you made. Do these things line up? Is this life possible? What changes do you need to make, if any to reach your goals? What do you need to do to get the life you want to have. Will this life allow for you to provide for a family? Do you need a college education? What did you learn from this assignment?

Answer these questions in a one paragraph (10 sentence minimum) statement addressing each of the questions and your thoughts about your future.