

Veterinary Career Route Comparison

NAME _____ DATE _____ PERIOD _____

Part 1: Build the evidence table

Use the Veterinary Career Evidence Guide. Keep every number with its measure and date.

EVIDENCE	VETERINARY ASSISTANT	VETERINARY TECHNICIAN	VETERINARIAN
One daily responsibility			
Typical entry education			
Credential or license note			
May 2024 U.S. median			
2024-34 growth			
Annual openings			

Part 2: Check the labels

- ☐ I wrote **U.S. median**, not starting pay or DFW pay.
- ☐ I kept the May 2024 date with the wage evidence.
- ☐ I did not claim that a high-school certification replaces a college credential or license.
- ☐ I used the same source basis for all three careers.

Part 3: Evaluate one trade-off

SCENARIO A

Jordan wants to enter the field after high school, learn on the job, and keep future education open. Which route is the strongest current starting point? Use one responsibility, one education fact, and one realistic trade-off.

SCENARIO B

Sam wants to perform diagnostic tests and assist with clinical care but does not currently want the veterinarian's professional-degree route. Which career best fits? Use two facts and one realistic trade-off.

Choose **Scenario A or Scenario B**. Write one recommendation using two accurate facts and one trade-off.

Word bank: preparation = preparación · openings = vacantes · trade-off = ventaja y costo

Frame: I recommend [career] because [fact 1] and [fact 2]; however, [trade-off].

Scenario: A · B

My recommendation: _____

Evidence and reasoning:

One trade-off the fictional student should know:
