

Career Deep Dive and Source Guide

NAME _____ DATE _____ PERIOD _____

Keep the label attached to every fact

A salary number is not useful by itself. Record the **source, date, place, and measure**.

SOURCE	BEST CLASSROOM JOB	LABEL TO RECORD
Xello career profile	District-licensed career details and a localized wage when the page displays geography and measure	place, date shown, hourly or annual, starting/range/median
U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Outlook Handbook	National work, education, median pay, outlook, and openings	May data year; U.S. median; projection years
CareerOneStop occupation profile	Duties, preparation, and state or local wage views when the location is visible	place, year, and wage measure

Do not relabel a national median as DFW pay or starting pay. If the page does not show the label you need, write "not shown" and use another source.

Research path

1. Search the exact career title in Xello or another approved career source.
2. Check the job tasks before collecting pay data.
3. Record education or training and any license or certification.
4. Record one pay figure with all four labels.
5. Record outlook or openings only when the years and geography are visible.
6. Write one limitation or open question.

Career title used in the search: _____

Search term or close job title used when the exact title was not listed:

1. Work and preparation

Three common tasks:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____

Typical education or training:

License, certification, apprenticeship, portfolio, or experience requirement:

About how long could the preparation take? Include what the time estimate covers.

2. Pay and outlook

Pay amount or range: \$ _____

Source: _____ Data year: _____

Place: _____ Measure: _____

Outlook, growth, or openings fact:

Source and projection years:

One limit or question about this evidence:

3. Skills check

TWO SKILLS THE CAREER NEEDS	EVIDENCE FROM THE TASKS
1.	
2.	

One skill I already have and evidence from class, home, or an activity:

One skill I need to build and a first practice step:

4. Decide what the evidence means

One strong fit between this career and my current profile:

One trade-off involving preparation, work conditions, pay, or outlook:

My current call: ☐ keep as top goal ☐ keep comparing ☐ choose a different goal

Explain the call in five to seven sentences. Use at least one work fact, one preparation fact, and one correctly labeled pay or outlook fact.

Done when

- ☐ I recorded three tasks and the preparation route.
- ☐ My pay fact has source, date, place, and measure.
- ☐ My skills check uses evidence.
- ☐ My call includes a fit and a trade-off.