DEAR EDUCATOR AND VOLUNTEER,

Work and Career Readiness

As you implement *JA Inspire*® Advanced, we want you to be aware of the self-guided, on-demand digital resources available on JA Connect® to enhance and extend student learning. These bite-size learning activities average 5–10 minutes in length, are highly interactive, and are accessible via computer or mobile device at https://connect.ja.org/work-career-readiness. They may be used:

- As pre-program activities to help jump-start conversation.
- To practice concepts during your JA class sessions.
- As a follow-up for extended learning/practice.

All entry-level resources are available to any user. Intermediate and advanced resources require login (users can access with existing JA login or may self-register). Select the thumbnail image to go directly to the resource.

New resources are added frequently, so check back often. Examples of resources that align with *JA Inspire* Advanced include the following:

Go to connect.ja.org for more activities.

SESSION ONE: CAREER INTERESTS AND YOUR PATH

What Is Growth Mindset?

Entry

Students learn about growth mindset and how to identify it in themselves and others.

How to Develop a Growth Mindset

Entry

Students explore tips and examples to help them overcome fixed ideas and allow them to grow, learn, and overcome challenges.

Make the Match

Entry

Students discover some key factors to consider when choosing among job offers through an interactive game.

What's AI Anyway?

Entry

Students get an easy-to-understand introduction to artificial intelligence, its purpose, and its role in shaping the future.

The Brain of AI

Entry

Students learn how AI systems process data, learn patterns, and make decisions.

SESSION TWO: CAREER PLANNING AND YOUR PATH

Match Strengths and Interests to Careers

Entry

Students learn about a personality test that can help them decide what type of job would suit them best and set them on the road to success.

JA Future by Design: Careers

Intermediate

Students discover how to approach career exploration like an entrepreneur by using the Design for Delight method in this multiple session activity.

Learn 2.0 With AI

Entry

Students learn how to use AI tools to boost learning, enhance study habits, and stay on top of academic tasks and time management.

AI: Your Career Ally

Intermediate

Students discover how AI can support career exploration, growth, and job search.

SESSION THREE: PREPARING TO MEET YOUR FUTURE

Collecting Evidence of Transferable Skills

Entry

Students learn to identify and describe "transferable" skills that will help them land a job.

Effective Team Behavior

Intermediate

Students observe and make recommendations about which employees have the traits they need to support collaboration, resolve conflicts, and lead by example.

Responding to Failure

Intermediate

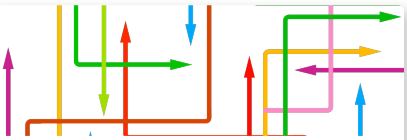
Students discover tips and techniques for responding positively to failure.

SESSION FOUR: LOCAL BUSINESS MEANS OPPORTUNITY

What is the Gig Economy?

Entry

Students learn about the growing gig economy and discover how many people are earning a part-time or fulltime income on their own terms.



Gigs are Everywhere

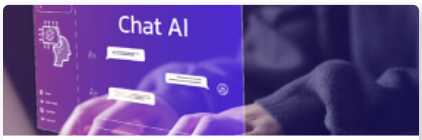
Entry

Students discover the amazing breadth of gigs to choose from depending on their interests, time, skills, and resources.

AI Bias

Entry

Students will learn how AI bias happens, how to recognize it, and why it matters for fairness and accuracy.



Think Twice, Ask Once

Intermediate

Students learn strategies to interact with AI tools responsibly and effectively.

Fact-Checking AI Outputs

Intermediate

Students learn effective strategies to fact-check and verify AI-generated content.

SESSION FIVE: LEARN FROM THE EXPERTS

Informational Interviews

Entry

Students learn about the benefits of informational interviews and get tips on how to get the most out of an interview they've set up.

Setting Up Informational Interviews

Intermediate

Students learn how to conduct an informational interview, including tips for finding and contacting people in their field of interest, setting up meetings, and appropriate responses.

The Everyday Genius of AI

Entry

Students discover the hidden ways AI powers everyday tools and technologies in their lives.

SESSION SIX: VISIT THE JA INSPIRE EVENT

Preparing for a Winning Interview

Entry

Students learn nine tips to ace a job interview.

Answering Difficult Questions

Intermediate

Students learn how to answer some of the toughest interview questions and find out which questions interviewers are not allowed to ask.

SESSION SEVEN: JA INSPIRE PERSONAL REFLECTION

Strategic Planning Decision Making

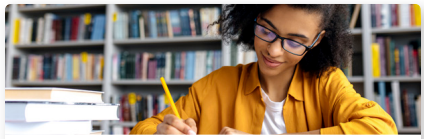
Entry

Students learn about JA, PACED, and Weighted Decision-Making tools and when to use each one.

Crafting Your Resume

Entry

Students learn how to recognize key features of a resume and explore resume formatting options.



Build a Strong Work Ethic

Intermediate

Students learn to identify features that demonstrate a strong work ethic and identify ways an individual can go "beyond expectations" in a variety of scenarios.

AI Talk Made Easy

Entry

Students learn the basics of communicating with AI tools to get clear and helpful responses.