

WHAT'S YOUR DREAM JOB?

Activity Objective:

Girls connect their personal skills with career choices.

Toward Leadership Outcomes:

Through this activity, girls will:

- ✓ Develop a strong sense of self—Girls have confidence in themselves and their abilities, feel they are able to achieve their goals, and form positive gender, social, and cultural identities. **(Discover)**

Experience Overview:

2 minutes	<i>Introduction (Talking Points)</i>
40 minutes	<i>What's Your Dream Job?</i>
10-15 minutes	<i>Reflection/Discussion</i>

Supplies Needed:

- ✓ Paper and pens or pencils (enough for each girl)
- ✓ Large pad/piece of paper (or chalkboard)

Prepare Ahead:

- ✓ Read over the entire activity before meeting with girls.

Step-by-Step Instructions:

» Introduction (Talking Points) (5 minutes)

- ✓ Say something like: "In our last session, we thought about what it means to be an entrepreneur, or to start your own business. Today, you will have an opportunity to fantasize about your own personal dream job. And in the process, you may learn a little bit about other parts of yourself, too."

FINANCIAL FLAIR ACTIVITY 5

DISCOVER:

- » Develop a strong sense of self

» What's Your Dream Job? (40 minutes)

- ✓ Distribute paper and pens or pencils.
- ✓ Say something like this: "Take a minute to think about what you would really like to do every day to earn a living (you know, once you are no longer in school). Make a list of all the things that come to mind."
- ✓ Ask girls to add to their lists at least five things they like to do for fun, and at least three things they are really good at.
- ✓ Say something like: "You might be surprised that people are willing to pay for some of the things on your like-to-do or really-good-at list, and you could consider making a job out of that. Look at your entire list and put a heart next to one job that you are pretty certain you would not mind doing all the time. You will now have a chance to write about your dream job. Why would you want to do it? What do you imagine it would be like? How do you think you would feel if you do this job or start your own business? You have about three minutes for this activity."

» Reflection/Discussion (10-15 minutes)

Ask girls:

- ✓ "Share your dream jobs or business ideas aloud and a one- or two- sentence description of why you would like to do that." Be sure to ask each girl what education or skills she would need to acquire to be successful at that job.
- ✓ "Consider asking your parents or guardians how they chose their jobs."

*** Collect girls' lists and bring them to the next club meeting (Financial Flair Activity 6). Explain to girls that they are going to do some more brainstorming with the lists they made today.

ADD IT ON! SPICE IT UP!

Ask girls if they would like to meet any professionals in the jobs and careers they identified. Encourage girls to contact the professionals and organize the meeting.