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How to Use the PowerPoint & Coloring Book:

I've found that the best way to engage students in learning about careers and community helpers is through guessing games! This lesson includes a PowerPoint guessing game that asks students to pretend that they are "career detectives" and solve 17 poems/riddles. I recommend that the educator first review the definition of "career" with students. Next, please read each poem aloud to students and ask them to use their clues to guess which career the riddle is describing. It is up to the educator how he/she would like students to make their guesses – they can raise their hand, turn and talk with a neighbor, or all shout out at once which career they think the riddle is describing. If your students love these riddles, I also recommend the following story books to be read before or after this lesson: Clothesline Clues to Jobs People Do by Deborah Hembrook and Kathryn Helling and the Whose Tools Are These?, Whose Hat is This? series by Sharon Katz Cooper.

After the guessing game, students can work on their career mini coloring books. These mini coloring books include all of the riddles from the guessing game so students can continue to play with their friends and family. They were created as half-sheet books to save paper so please cut them in half and staple them at the top. There are two versions included: one with traceable letters for the little ones and one with blank lines for the older ones to write in the career names themselves. Please choose the book that best fits the needs and abilities of your students. On the last page, students can write/draw about what they would like to be when they grow up.

Looking for the digital game? It's included in the zip folder, too!

Questions? Please contact me at laura@musiccitycounselor.com. I'm here to help!

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ASCA Mindsets & Behaviors:

Category 1: Mindset Standards

- M4: Understanding that postsecondary education and life-long learning are necessary for long-term career success.

Category 2: Behavior Standards

- Learning Strategies:
 - B-LS 7: Identify long- and short-term academic, career, and social/emotional goals

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