



SONOMA COUNTY WORK-READY CERTIFICATION
TOP 10 SKILLS PLUS
“FAMILY FEUD” ACTIVITY

Lesson Plan Title: “Family Feud”

Concept/Topic to Teach: Work-Ready Certification Top Ten Skills PLUS!

General Goal(s): Introduce students to the WRC program
Familiarize students with the skills necessary to receive a Work-Ready Certificate

Required Materials: 1. Poster (or overhead transparency) listing the WRC Top 10 Skills
(NOTE: This list can also be done on computer and projected on a screen)

Step-by-Step Procedures:

1. Place poster (or project the transparency) on wall with “Top 10 Skills” answers covered
2. Select two teams of five contestants to participate (line them up facing one another)
3. Have the first contestant from each team come to the front of the room.
4. Teacher says the following:
Over 200 employers surveyed, top 10 answers are on the board—Can you name the most frequently mentioned skills by Sonoma County employers when asked what they are most looking for in an entry-level employee?
5. The first of the two students to raise their hand gets to answer (if they do not select the #1 skill, other person gets to answer also)
6. When a correct answer is given, uncover the answer on the poster/transparency
7. Person that chooses the higher ranked skill gets to decide whether their team will “play” or “pass”
8. Each contestant on the side that is “playing” takes turns trying to select a skill from the list
9. Each correct answer receives the number of points represented by the percentage of respondents and each incorrect answer receives an “X”—team needs to accumulate 450 points before receiving 3 “X’s
10. If the playing side receives 3 X’s, they forfeit the rest of their turn and the other side can win by selecting a skill on the list that has not yet been uncovered (they are allowed to collaborate to come up with an answer)
11. If they miss, however, the original playing side wins

Closure:

1. Uncover those skills which were not selected
2. Debrief with all students about the skills, any they were surprised by, and what they learned
3. Pass out the FAQ’s/Top 10 Skills Plus handout and explain the WRC process and how to become certified

TOP TEN SKILLS PLUS! Needed to Begin Work

What Sonoma County Employers Have to Say

- 1. Willingness to work (92%)**
- 2. Demonstrate integrity (90%)**
- 3. Communicate in English (89%)**
- 4. Demonstrate promptness (88%)**
- 5. Avoid absenteeism (85%)**
- 6. Avoid stereotyping others (85%)**
- 7. Understand written information (85%)**
- 8. Appropriate grooming/hygiene (83%)**
- 9. Respect for others opinions (82%)**
- 10. Completing own work accurately (79%)**

PLUS! Skills (75 Points each):

- Willingness and ability to learn (75)**
- Have and apply computer skills (75)**
- Demonstrate customer service skills (75)**
- Work well w/others as part of a team (75)**
- Use and apply basic math (75)**