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**Journal Entries Chapter 5: Planning Your Career and Education**

1. Describe your generation (Baby Boomer, Generation X, New Millennial, or Generation Z.) What are your best qualities and challenges?
2. Do a quick review of the developments affecting future careers and career trends for 2020. Make a list of five ways these trends will affect your future.
3. Employees need to have strong basic skills to keep up with changes in the workplace. These skills include reading, writing, basic arithmetic, higher level math, listening, speaking, time management, interpersonal skills and using technology. Comment on your skills in each of these areas. Are there any that you need to improve?
4. Go to the Occupational Outlook Handbook at <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/>. Choose one career and write a one-sentence description of the career, list the median salary, and report on the job outlook.
5. At times in life, you may face a crisis or setback which causes an unexpected change in plans. If you think positively about the situation, you can think of some new opportunities for the future. The situation is called a dangerous opportunity. Describe a dangerous opportunity you have faced in your life. What were the dangers and what opportunities did you find?