

# Reality Check Instructions

**Materials needed:** Station Cards and Student Answer Sheets

## **Instructions:**

- 1) Set out station cards around the room.
- 2) Give every student an answer sheet.
- 3) Students travel around the room to each station to make decisions about their financial future.
- 4) Teachers can set a timer to help with traffic!
- 5) After students go to every station, they will add up all their monthly expenses. They will then use the formula to determine how much taxes they will have to pay.
- 6) The students add yearly expenses and taxes to determine the required annual salary to live their desired lifestyle.
- 7) Students can go to [www.texascareercheck.com](http://www.texascareercheck.com) to search for jobs that make at least that much money to discover all their options! If they have an idea of what industry they would like to work in, they can set different parameters for their search.

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