

LHS
Co-op
Chapter 1.2
Transparency

Goals

After studying this chapter, students will be able to:
--describe how the global economy affects jobs in the U.S.
--explain how technology is changing the workplace
--explain how the job outlook will affect your career plans

Definitions:

Economy

--production, distribution, and consumption of goods and services

Goods

--items that people buy

Services

--activities done for others for a fee

Global economy

--how the world's economies are linked

Job market

--demand for particular jobs

How is the U.S. population changing?

How will this affect consumer goods and services?

--products

--services

--labeling

Check shirt labels (and boots?)

--volunteer to document results on the board

What do you think when you see items marked "Made in China"? and

How does the import of such items affect the U.S. economy?

--creates importing jobs, competition keeps prices low

--U.S. jobs may be lost

What skills might you need to work for a global company?

- new language, awareness of cultural differences, understanding different business practices

- Why is listening an important aspect of communicating?
 - must listen to learn
 - respectful to listen when others are speaking

- What workplace skills do you bring to the table?
 - call on students
 - ex. Word, Excel, math, language (writing), ability to learn!

Important workplace skills:

- Basic skills
 - reading, writing, math, listening, and speaking

- Thinking skills
 - creative thinking
 - decision making
 - problem solving
 - knowing how to learn (discuss)
 - reasoning

- Personal qualities – have students define or give examples of each quality
 - responsibility
 - self-esteem
 - sociability
 - self-management
 - integrity
 - honesty

- How does a diverse workforce affect coworkers?
 - discuss
 - helps educate about other cultures
 - brings new ideas and practices
 - helps others to understand and work together effectively

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Have a student read aloud the Career Checklist on p. 19

- most important item?
- positive attitude

Today's Workplace

Team

--organized group that set goals, makes decisions, and implements actions within a company

Outsourcing

- when businesses hire other companies or individuals to produce their services or goods
 - examples?
 - Comcast cable installer
 - computer programming in India
 - airlines outsource baggage handling

Telecommute

- work at home
 - via computer, fax, phone

See Industries chart on p. 19

- which industries are growing the most?
 - why?
 - education and health services
 - older students for re-training
 - aging population needs health care
 - professional and business services
 - leisure and hospitality
 - resorts, hotels, etc.
 - home delivery
 - dry cleaning, groceries, etc.

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--which industries are shrinking?

--why?

--technology has replaced some jobs

--more manufacturing done outside of U.S. due to
cheaper labor, materials

--U.S. natural resources are being depleted

Assign:

P. 24

--Critical Thinking (8 and 9)