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**Chapter 12: Learning About Work—Read, Discuss, and Analyze Activity**

**Setting Career Goals**

**READ the case study**

Ethan attended his school's career fair. Before the fair, Ethan had no idea what he wanted to do in the future. However, Ethan makes good grades in math and science, so he is pretty sure he wants a career where he can use his math and science skills. At the fair, he was amazed at the variety of careers available. Now Ethan is trying to determine what career goals he wants to achieve. He plans to visit with his school guidance counselor, Mrs. Daniels, to discuss his career goals.

**DISCUSS this question in class:**

If you were Mrs. Daniels, what would you advise Ethan to do?

**ANALYZE the following statements about the case study to decide which are true and which are false.**

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| T | F | Ethan should ask Mrs. Daniels if she would give him an interest inventory to determine his career interests.                    |
| T | F | Ethan should pick a career based only on potential earnings.  |
| T | F | Ethan should ask Mrs. Daniels if she would give him an aptitude test to see if he has a natural talent for doing certain tasks. |
| T | F | Ethan's abilities in math and science at school should have no relation to his career goals.                                    |