Construction managers plan, organize, and supervise all types of construction projects. They set and keep schedules. These managers figure out which people, materials, and equipment are needed for each job. Once a project has started, they oversee all areas of it, making sure tasks are completed on time and with the money allowed. Construction managers work both indoors and outdoors. Some travel a great deal, from project to project. Successful construction managers have experience in building, business, and management. Many now have bachelor’s degrees.

Answer the following questions using information from these Web sites:

http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos005.htm


Activity Questions:

1. Write a short paragraph describing the nature of this work.

2. What schooling and training do you need for a career as a construction manager?

3. What skills and talents do you need to be successful in this career?

4. What courses can you take now to prepare for a career as a construction manager?
5. What is the job outlook for construction managers?

6. Is this a career that interests you? Why or why not?