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Following are the core skills from the Quality Core Curriculum for both language arts and information technology. The *Career Choices* curriculum can help you meet many of the benchmarks for both of these content areas. Incorporating the *Career Choices* materials into your classroom is a great way to meet the QCC requirements while helping your students develop a vision of their future. Your efforts will decrease dropout rates and result in high academic achievement. Students will make the connection between success in school and success in life at a time when they can make positive choices that will impact their futures.

	Language Arts: Core Skills					
	QCC Standard	Career Choices	Instructor's Guide	Possibilities		
1	Reads poems, short stories, essays, novels, magazines, newspapers, charts, graphs, and technical documents for pleasure and self-improvement.	Practiced throughout text		Practiced throughout text		
2	Reads critically, asks pertinent questions, recognizes assumptions and implications, and evaluates ideas.	Practiced throughout text		Practiced throughout text		
3	Takes notes on the main and subordinate ideas in lectures and discussions and reports accurately what others have said.	Practiced throughout text	Practiced in discussions throughout	31-32, 38, 122-123, 174-177, 253		
4	Uses research process: selecting topic, formulating questions, identifying key words, choosing sources, skimming, paraphrasing, note-taking, organizing, summarizing, and presenting.	124-141, 148-159, 211- 213, online activities*	4/85-4/106, 7/6-7/14	38, 79, 106-107, 165, 174-177, 253, 261, 272		
5	Identifies, comprehends, and summarizes the main and subordinate ideas in a written work.	Practiced throughout text	2/10-2/14, 3/8-3/12	Practiced throughout text through journal entries and follow-up questions		
6	Learns that words gather meaning from their context and carry connotation and denotation.	Vocabulary throughout (see Workbook for Career Choices)	4/145	58-60, 63, 67-68, 207		
7	Distinguishes between fact and opinion.	50-53	4/32, 4/33-4/35	29-32, 38		
8	Comprehends, develops, and uses specifics and generalizations.			247		
9	Acquires new vocabulary through reading and listening; demonstrates progress through speaking and writing.	Practiced throughout text	4/32, 4/34-4/35, 4/39- 4/41, 4/42, 4/45, 4/57, 4/63, 4/68, 4/83, 4/84, 4/95, 4/102-4/104, 4/112, 4/114, 4/143, 4/155, 4/159	Practiced throughout text		
10	Uses literal comprehension skills (e.g., sequencing, explicitly stated main idea).			54-56, 137-138, 208- 211		
11	Uses inferential comprehension skills (e.g., predictions, comparisons, conclusions, implicitly stated main idea).	Practiced in most activities		213, 224, 226, 261,		
12	Defines unfamiliar words by using appropriate structural analysis skills including prefixes, suffixes, root words, and context clues.	Vocabulary throughout (see Workbook for Career Choices)	4/4, 4/18, 4/145, 6/49- 6/54	22-23, 67-68, 165, 207, 263		
13	Uses a variety of print and non-print resources (e.g., films, recordings, theater, computer databases) as parts of the study of literature.	Online activities*	6/41-6/48, 7/11-7/14	174-177, 272		
14	Draws reasoned conclusions from various sources.	Practiced throughout text	2/10-2/14, 3/8-3/12	21, 38-39, 62, 140, 164- 165, 172-175, 213, 262- 269		
15	Writes Standard American English sentences with correct verb forms, punctuation, capitalization, possessives, plural forms and other mechanics, word choice, and spelling.	Practiced throughout the course; 250-253	4/152-4/153	Practiced throughout text		

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16	Recognizes speaker's purpose and identifies verbal and nonverbal components of communication (body language, facial expression, gestures).			27-32, 220		
17	Uses language appropriate to situation and audience.	158-159, 250-253, 254- 255	4/76, 4/95, 4/151- 4/160, 4/168	38, 85, 94, 263		
18	Participates in the writing process: prewriting, drafting, revising, editing, proofreading, and publishing.	148-155, 157, 159, 250- 253, online activities*	4/32, 4/34-4/35, 4/39- 4/41, 4/42, 4/45, 4/57, 4/63, 4/68, 4/83, 4/84, 4/95, 4/102-4/104, 4/112, 4/114, 4/143, 4/155, 4/159	Journal entries throughout; 17-18, 29- 32, 38, 41-42, 44-45, 54-56, 67, 70-71, 73, 79, 85, 88-89, 93, 94, 102, 106-107, 110, 123, 125, 136-137, 160- 162, 170-171, 174-177, 207, 208-211, 215, 220, 224, 226, 279-283		
19	Writes for many purposes including, but not limited to, personal (journals, diaries, stories, poems), social (friendly letters, thank-you notes, invitations), academic (themes, reports, essays, analyses, critiques), and business (letters, memos, and applications) writing.	148-155, 157, 159, 250- 253, online activities*	4/32, 4/34-4/35, 4/39- 4/41, 4/42, 4/45, 4/57, 4/63, 4/68, 4/83, 4/84, 4/95, 4/102-4/104, 4/112, 4/114, 4/143, 4/155, 4/159	Journal entries throughout; 17-18, 29-32, 38, 41-42, 44-45, 54-56, 67, 70-71, 73, 79, 85, 88-89, 93, 94, 102, 106-107, 110, 123, 125, 136-137, 160-162, 170-171, 174-177, 207, 208-211, 215, 220, 224, 226, 279-283		
20	Gains insight into human behavior from the study of literature.	Practiced throughout text		Practiced throughout text		
21	Creates hypotheses and predicts outcomes.	13, 106-110, 121, 162- 165, 170-174, 185, 204- 206		142-162		
22	Defends conclusions rationally.	Practiced in discussions throughout	Discussions and debates throughout; 2/10-2/14, 4/1-4/170, 10/5-10/6	21-23, 39-32, 85, 88- 89, 239, 247		
23	Speaks so others can hear and understand.	Practiced in discussions throughout	Discussions and debates throughout; 2/10-2/14, 4/1-4/170, 10/5-10/6	21-23, 39-32, 85, 88- 89, 174-177, 215, 239, 247, 251, 269		
24	Works as a team member to solve problems.	38-43, 162-165	4/22-4/23, 4/102-4/105	279-283		
25	Composes and revises on a computer.	148-155, 157, 159, 250- 253, online activities*	4/32, 4/34-4/35, 4/39- 4/41, 4/42, 4/45, 4/57, 4/63, 4/68, 4/83, 4/84, 4/95, 4/102-4/104, 4/112, 4/114, 4/143, 4/155, 4/159	Journal entries throughout; 17-18, 29- 32, 38, 41-42, 44-45, 54-56, 67, 70-71, 73, 79, 85, 88-89, 93, 94, 102, 106-107, 110, 123, 125, 136-137, 160- 162, 170-171, 174-177, 207, 208-211, 215, 220, 224, 226, 279-283		

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	Information Technology: Core Skills					
	QCC Standard	Career Choices	Instructor's Guide	CareerChoices.com		
		Basic Skills				
1	Locate, understand, and interpret written information in a variety of formats, including such documents as manuals, graphs, reports, and schedules.	Practiced throughout text	4/1-4/169	Activities throughout		
2	Communicate thoughts, ideas, information, and messages in writing and technologically create documents such as letters, directions, manuals, reports, graphs, and flowcharts.	26-49, 148-155, 156- 157, 158-159, 212, 223, 250-253, 271-273	4/7, 4/89-4/90, 4/92- 4/93, 4/94-4/95, 4/132- 4/133, 4/152-4/153, 4/155, 4/164	145-146, 148-149, 150, 158, 253		
3	Perform and apply numerical concepts and calculations, and solve problems by choosing appropriately from a variety of mathematical techniques using mental, manual, and technological methods.	77-101, 209	4/47-4/66, 4/130-4/131	78, 80, 83, 88, 89, 93, 209		
4	Receive, interpret, and respond to verbal and nonverbal messages in a manner appropriate to a given situation.	Practiced throughout text	Activities throughout			
5	Organize ideas and communicate orally in a clear, concise, and courteous manner.	255	4/32, 4/42			
		inking Skills				
6	Specify goals, objectives, constraints, and supporting factors.	168-179, 182-191	4/108-4/115, 4/118- 4/121			
7	Identify problems, alternative solutions, and consequences of alternative solutions, and use appropriate techniques to resolve given problems.	168-179, 182-191, 194- 227	4/108-4/115, 4/118- 4/121, 4/124-4/139			
8	Implement a plan of action making modifications as needed to achieve stated objectives.	266-283	4/161-4/169	267, 268, 269, 271, 279		
9	Use effective learning techniques to acquire and apply new knowledge and skills.	Practiced throughout text	4/1-4/169	Activities throughout		
		sonal Qualities				
	Assess self accurately, set personal goals, monitor	Key themes of the				
10	progress, and exhibit self-control.	entire text	4/1-4/169			
11	Choose ethical courses of action.	194-209, 232-235, 238- 241	4/118-119, 4/123- 4/131, 4/143-4/144, 4/146-4/147			
12	Take initiative to accomplish tasks in a timely manner.	230-247	4/141-4/149			
13	attainment.	182-191, 230-247	4/118-4/121, 4/141- 4/149			
14	Demonstrate adaptability, dependability, and responsibility and such social behaviors as tolerance, honesty, empathy, and courtesy.	194-227, 230-247	4/124-4/139, 4/141- 4/149			
	Inter	personal Skills				
15	Participate and interact as a team member and leader.	38-43, 162-165, 232- 235, 238-241	4/22-4/23, 4/25-4/26, 4/102-4/105, 4/115, 4/127, 4/137, 4/148			
16	Share knowledge and skills with others.	120, 262-263,	4/127			
	Perform effectively in various environments with people of					
17	different ages, genders, cultures, socioeconomic backgrounds, attitudes, and abilities.	158-159, 255	6/36-6/40			
18	Work to satisfy customer/client expectations	230-247	4/145-4/146, 4/178			
19	Use strategies appropriate to a given situation to prevent and resolve conflicts.	197- 200, 236-237, 238- 241	4/26, 4/124-126, 4/145, 4/146-4/147			

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Resources							
20	time, and prepare and follow schedules.	182-191, 270-283	4/118-4/121, 4/162- 4/166				
21	Use or prepare budgets, make projections, keep records, and make adjustments to meet objectives.	77-101	4/47-4/66, 4/103-4/104	78, 80, 83, 88, 89, 93			
	Technology						
23	Prevent, identify, or solve problems with technical or electronic equipment.	Used throughout text for projects	7/1-7-17				
25	Utilize a variety of technologies.	Practiced throughout text	7/1-7/17	Activities throughout			
Business Aspects							
26	Demonstrate understanding of basic economic concepts and how they are applied in business functions.	242-246	4/148-4/150				
27	Identify forms of business ownership.	135-137, 138-139	4/82-4/83				
28	Demonstrate understanding of the scope of a business, its place within an industry, and the interrelationship of its parts.	144-146, 150-155, 227	4/78, 4/86, 4/89- 4/91,4/139-4/140				
29	Demonstrate understanding of the individual's role, responsibilities, and relationships in the organizational structure of a business.	162-165	4/102-4/105				
	Care	er Development					
31	Make potential career decisions based upon interests, abilities, and values and formulate appropriate plans to reach career goals.	10-21, 24-53, 56-71, 168-179, 182-191, 266- 283	4/4-4/13, 4/16-4/35, 4/38-4/45, 4/108-4/115, 4/118-4/121, 4/162- 4/169	267, 268, 269, 271, 279			
32	Demonstrate understanding of the relationship between educational achievement and career planning and how career choices impact family patterns and lifestyle.	56-71, 74-121, 124- 141, 209, 211-213	4/38-4/45, 4/47-4/66, 4/80-4/84, 4/130-4/131, 4/132-4/133	78, 80, 83, 88, 93, 116, 209			
33	employment.	250-263	4/152-4/4/159	253, 254, 255, 256, 258, 261, 262			
34	Demonstrate understanding of education and career development as a lifelong learning process that requires preparation for change.	194-227, 242-245, 266- 283	4/124-4/4/139, 4/148- 4/149, 4/162-4/169	267, 268, 269, 271, 279			