Careers in Geography Research Assignment

The following is a list of possible careers in geography.

- medical geographer
- political analyst
- map librarian
- urban planner
- demographer
- real estate developer
- travel/tourism planning
- community developer
- resource management specialist
- geologist
- climatologist
- habitat researcher
- pollution control consultant
- outdoor guide
- soil conservationist
- cartographer
- map analyst
- waste management
- outdoor recreation management
- hazardous waste planner
- forestry technician
- wetlands conservationist
- recycling coordinator
- environmental impact assessment

**Purpose:** to gain understanding and insight into possible careers in the field of Geography.

**Task:**

1. Pick one of the careers from the list above, or find another career that relates to geography that you find interesting. You must answer all the questions on the Career Profile Research Sheet on the back of this page.

2. Create a Career Profile on the computer using 8.5 x 11 paper. You must include the following:
   - Title
   - Colourful and creative display that uses photographs and graphics
   - At least one large photo that depicts your career
   - The educational requirements of the career
   - The geographic skills used in the career
   - The salary range and other benefits of the career
   - Some interesting facts about the career

3. You must also hand in a list of all the sources you used to locate the information. Include the following:
   - Author
   - Title
   - Year
   - Publisher’s City and Name
   - Website Address (if applicable)

4. Submit the following:
   - the completed Profile Research Sheet
   - the completed Career Profile Poster
   - the detailed reference list of all the sources used during research
Career Profile Research Sheet

Career: _________________________  Name: ________________________________

What kind of training is required for this occupation?

What kinds of technology are used in this occupation?

What geographic knowledge and skills would you need to work in this occupation?

What economic factors alter this occupation (e.g. if the occupation is in high demand, the pay will rise)?

What personal responsibilities does this occupation involve?

What interpersonal skills are required for working in this occupation?

What other personal interest and characteristics are important for working in this occupation?