

Lesson 2: Career Opportunities in
Agricultural Businesses

Name _____

Getting a Job

Objective: Identify qualities that would enable a student to get a job.

Directions: Read the following scenarios and determine which of the two students is more likely to get a job. Answer the questions in the space provided.

Two students are trying to find a job that relates to their interests in agricultural business.

Travis is aware of the types of jobs available in agricultural business. He has called business people regarding potential jobs and placed his résumé on the Internet at missouriworks.com. He has also searched for job openings posted on the Internet at the same site. Travis is attending a vocational school to get the training needed for the type of job he wants.

James isn't sure about the jobs available in the area of agricultural business. He knows that he wants to work outside most of the time but hasn't decided what career would fit his lifestyle and personal interests. When his neighbors go on vacation, James takes care of their pets. He worked at a fast-food restaurant for 6 months and mowed lawns for 2 years. Currently, James is working in a local grocery store stocking shelves until he gets a full-time job.

There is a job opening in the area that interests both students.

1. Who is more likely to get the job and why?

2. How could the other student determine his career goals?

3. What should this student do to increase his chances of getting the job he wants?
