

# When I Grow Up

This nonfiction level C book highlights a variety of familiar careers. The multicultural and non-gender stereotyped images send the message that children can be anything they want to be. This title is especially useful in the arts, language arts and personal and social development curriculum areas.

**High Frequency Words:** I, can, be, will, up, a, an

## ***Suggested Ideas and Activities***

- Discuss all the different careers that students might choose and why they would be a good choice
- Talk about genders and careers
- Identify and talk about their own interests
- Identify and discuss the necessary skills, equipment and clothing specific careers require
- Survey and graph favourite occupations
- Match career with specific tools or uniforms
- Illustrate themselves in their chosen career and write about who they are
- Dress up and dramatize different careers
- Develop questions and interview various people about their careers
- Make a class book about careers
- Develop career riddles following a simple 2 or 3 step pattern
- Enjoy other books about careers

## ***Suggested Readings***

***Making a Book*** by Mary Labatt: A Porcupine Book (Curriculum Plus)

***Career Day*** by Anne F. Rockwell and Lizzy Rockwell

***Whose Hat Is This?: A Look at Hats Workers Wear - Hard, Tall, and Shiny (Whose Is It?: Community Workers)*** by Katz Cooper, Sharon Muehlenhardt and Amy Bailey

***When I Grow Up*** by P. K. Hallinan