

REVIEW 14-17



Assess Progress and Build Your Transition Portfolio

TRANSITION OBJECTIVE

Students will evaluate their progress by completing an **Assessment Sheet** and adding information to their **Transition Portfolio**.

RELEVANCE TO SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION

Evaluation is one of the most important components of the growth process. Self-evaluation is a powerful tool commonly used by highly successful people. Add peer evaluation to this process and growth will compound. The evaluation process here begins with self-evaluation, combines with peer evaluation and ends with a statement of the next step toward a specific growth area.

INSTRUCTIONAL SEQUENCE

☐ STEP 1: Update Journal

"The impact the last few lessons has had on me is ____."

☐ STEP 2: Convene Roundtable

"Evaluating my progress is important because ____."

☐ STEP 3: Advance Organizer

"Today you will evaluate your progress in this class."

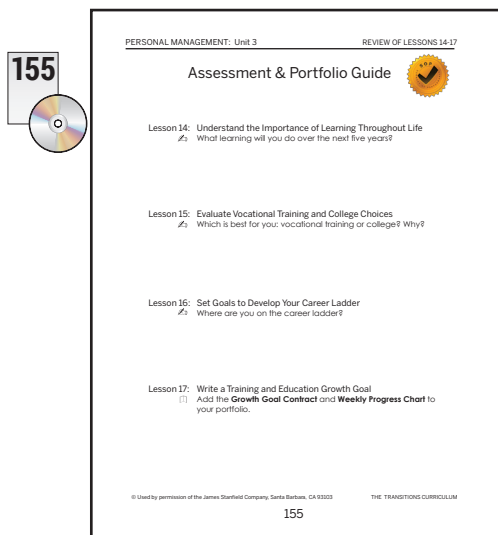
☐ STEP 4: Activity - 15 Minutes

Please note: The **Assessment & Portfolio Guide** is part of a transition assessment process. In this process, students complete projects to use their new skills and knowledge, then collect samples of their work in a portfolio. This assessment guide also may be used as a formal test or a review of lesson concepts. If needed, make up additional test questions and activities.

Students go over the questions and statements on the handout **Assessment & Portfolio Guide**. For five minutes, have students briefly review the lessons with a partner, then share lesson highlights with the class. Students add the completed Guide to their **Transition Portfolio**.

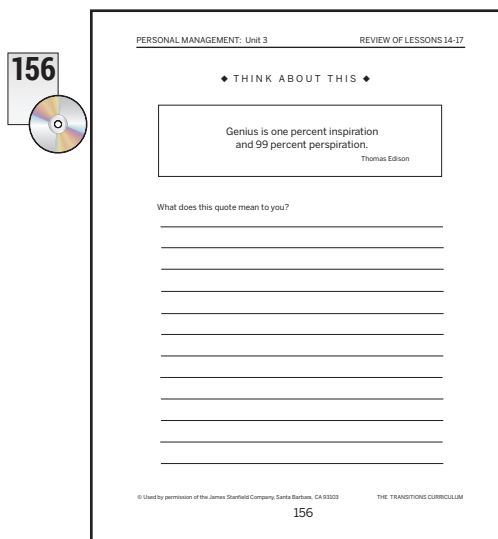
☐ STEP 5: Activity - 10 Minutes

Students complete the handout **Assessment & Portfolio Guide**, by answering the questions or completing the statement directions. Provide assistance for students who need help with reading or writing. For poor writers, provide a tape recorder, someone to take dictation or a voice-activated device.



❑ STEP 6: Activity - 20 Minutes

Have students share their answers with a partner. Each partner then chooses one thing the other has learned and shares this with the class. For example: Chad and Alana have shared their answers. Alana will share what Chad has learned about developing a career ladder. Alana would say, "The most important thing Chad learned is to set goals to reach the career he wants, one step at a time." Have all students take a turn sharing one thing their partner has learned. Remind students to add their **Assessment & Portfolio Guide** to their **Transition Portfolio**.



To bring closure to Unit 4, go over the quotes on the handout **Think about This** and on the Reflection page of this unit. Discuss the quotes and have students spend five minutes writing about their impressions and feelings as they come to the end of this section.

❑ STEP 7: Evaluate Outcomes

Complete the statement: "One way I feel I have grown from these lessons is _____."

❑ STEP 8: Connecting Activity

Students share their most important growth area with a friend or family member.

❑ STEP 9: Key Words

See "Key Words" section on page xx for the "Six Step Process to Better Vocabulary Instruction."

❑ Transition Portfolio & Summary of Performance

For students with an IEP, a Summary of Performance (SOP) is required at graduation or when they leave school. The SOP is a process for collecting information about the student's academic and functional performance levels. Information in the SOP is needed for establishing eligibility and recommendations for reasonable accommodations in postsecondary settings.

As they complete lessons in *The TRANSITIONS Curriculum*, students will develop their **Transition Portfolio**. This portfolio is an important part of the process for gathering the information and materials needed to complete the SOP. The completed **Transition Portfolio** will then provide the information needed for the student and teacher to complete the SOP form, which can be found at your state department of education website. For additional information about the SOP, including the National Transition Documentation Summit SOP Template, go to www.dcdt.org.

KEY WORDS

verb
implication
acceptance
growth goal

lifelong learning
influence
requirements
contract

improve
fulfillment
career ladder
decision

accomplishments
admission
incremental steps
personal

result
placement
rung
confidential
