# **12** Practice a Process to Analyze Your Resources



**TRANSITION OBJECTIVE** 

Students will apply a process to use in analyzing their resources.

## **RELEVANCE TO SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION**

Once we are aware of what our needs are and what is available to us, we can start to access the resources we need. It is important for students to practice analyzing and using the most logical resources to assist them in solving their problems.

# **INSTRUCTIONAL SEQUENCE**

#### □ **STEP 1**: Update Journal

I know how to find the help I need by . . .

## □ **STEP 2**: Convene Roundtable

"One way to find the right resource is \_\_\_\_\_."

## □ STEP 3: Advance Organizer

"Today you will practice a process to help you identify the best resource to solve your problem."



### STEP 4: Activity - 20 Minutes

Review information from Lessons 7-9 including all of the resources that the students have heard about from class presentations and speakers. Remind students that friends and family are some of the most important resources. As you review, have students complete the **Resource Analysis** worksheet, writing in the costs and requirements of each resource.

## STEP 5: Activity - 30 Minutes

Have students now use **Resource Circles** to diagram the resources they have available at this time. Go over this worksheet by using a screen image to demonstrate your own **Resource Circles**, then walk students through each step to help filling in their circles. Working in pairs, have students follow directions to write their names in the center circle. Next, they write the names of helpful people they know well in the middle circle and finally, they write names of community agencies and services that provide support in the outer circle. These could include the Department of Rehabilitation, Employment Development Department, March of Dimes, Epilepsy Society, Alcoholics Anonymous and other local services and agencies.



#### **STEP 6:** Evaluate Outcomes

One of the most important resources in my circle is "\_\_\_\_\_."

#### **STEP 7:** Connecting Activity

Have students telephone or email an agency they previously identified as resources to

get information about the eligibility process and specific services they could receive from the agency. Follow-up by having students report this information to other small discussion groups. Also ask them to share their experiences in contacting the agencies and which method was most successful (telephone, email or other).

## **KEY WORDS**

resources	agencies	organizations	eligibility	requirements
		access		

#### MATERIALS AND PREPARATION

- Student Handouts: Resource Analysis, page 184; Resource Circles, page 185.
- Prepare a screen image of handout and prepare to review Lessons 7-9.
- Prepare a screen image of the handout.

#### **SCANS FOUNDATION SKILLS**

- Basic Academic Skills: Reading, Math, Writing, Listening
- Thinking Skills: Decision Making, Visualizing, Reasoning
- Personal Qualities: Responsibility, Self-Management