

## **IDT Defining Success Activity**

### **Objectives**

In this activity students will research successful people and attempt to discover what makes them successful.

### **Standards**

IT-CSP-1.3 Exhibit critical thinking and problem solving skills to locate, analyze and apply information in career planning and employment situations.

### **Project Time**

This project will take about 1 hours to complete.

### **Ethics Statement**

Students will model work readiness traits required for success in the workplace including teamwork, multitasking, integrity, honesty, accountability, punctuality, time management, and respect for diversity.

### **Project Details**

Students will find 5 celebrities from 5 different career fields.

Students will read Richard Cory poem.

Students will answer guiding questions to help them find their own definition for success.

### **RUBRIC**

50 points – Completed worksheet.

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## Defining Success

Part 1:

Directions- List 5 celebrities from 5 different careers (ex. Music, movies, sports). How would they define success?

Celebrity -	Definition of Success
1. Kim Kardashian	Famous and rich
2. Barack Obama	President
3. Beyonce	Famous and rich
4. Selena Gomez	Popular Actress and singer
5. Jay-Z	Famous singer and rich

### Richard Cory

By Arlington Robinson

Whenever Richard Cory went down town,  
We people on the pavement looked at him:  
He was a gentleman from sole to crown,  
Clean-favoured and imperially slim.

And he was always quietly arrayed,  
And he was always human when he talked;  
But still he fluttered pulses when he said,  
"Good Morning!" and he glittered when he walked.

And he was rich, yes, richer than a king,  
And admirably schooled in every grace:  
In fine -- we thought that he was everything  
To make us wish that we were in his place.

So on we worked and waited for the light,  
And went without the meat and cursed the bread,

And Richard Cory, one calm summer night,  
Went home and put a bullet in his head.

1. Why does the ending come as a surprise?

Because he seemed so successful and happy.  
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2. Think of examples of people you've heard about in the news who seem to have plenty of money/success but do not appear to be happy?  
(example: Tiger Woods)

Kim Kardashian is pretty and famous, but she always seems angry with her family.  
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3. Imagine that a diary was found in Richard Cory's apartment after his death. From what you have read, try to get inside Cory's head and write the last entry.

I have all the money and fame that I wanted but nobody to share it with.  
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4. What percentage of people would consider either money or material possessions as the best measure of success? Do you agree? What do you believe the measure of success should be?

Most people think money is everything they need but without family and friends you can't be happy. I would say that friends and family make you happiest.

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