Accounting

**Start Here Go Places** Activity

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The **Start Here Go Places** web site is loaded with information about becoming a CPA. By completing this activity, you will….

\*KNOW……how to become a CPA

\*UNDERSTAND…..the benefits of becoming a CPA

\*BE ABLE TO……share with classmates and your teacher highlights from reading, studying and researching a CPA career.

Go to this [link](https://www.startheregoplaces.com/), and choose the **Student** option.

The site has a wealth of options. The student edition has 3 main options (top of screen):

 Why Accounting?

 Becoming a CPA

 Features & Programs

Complete by following specific directions.

**Why Accounting**

The tables below are areas where you can key your summaries/findings, etc. Feel free to expand those tables as needed.

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| CAREER OPTIONS |
| ***Summarize the reading with at least 3 complete sentences:***  |

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| SALARY AND DEMAND: |
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| **Employer** | **Jr Level (0-3 years)** | **Sr level (4-6 years)** |
| Public Accounting (medium firm) | $ | $ |
| Replace with your choice | $ | $ |

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| **Position** | **Small to Medium Co** | **Large Co** |
| Replace with your choice | $ | $ |

Of the seven cities, which city would be your first/second choice to live? What would be your starting salary?

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| Replace with your first City Choice | List Salary: $ |
| Replace with your second City Choice | List Salary: $ |

Explore the salaries more with the link **From CPA to Cha-Ching!** Choose 3 -- there are 41 different jobs--be sure to click next to find the 3 most interesting to you.

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| **Industry Type (ie Entertainment)** | **Job Title** | **Business/Organization** | **Salary Range** |
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Why did you choose these 3 (one complete sentence)? |

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| CPA SKILLS |
| ***What four major skills are listed as most important for a CPA?******1.******2.******3.******4.*** ***Which of these four is your strongest?******Explain:******Which of these four is your weakest?******Explain:***  |

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| REAL LIFE CPAS |
| ***Decide on one of the CPA profiles. Complete the following:***

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| Name of CPA: |

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| Job Title: |

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| Firm/Organization: |

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| Why did you choose this individual? |

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| Summarize the individual’s education: |

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| What is the individual’s “quote”?  |

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| Summarize the individual’s bio in at least 5 sentences: |

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| What was most interesting about this CPA? (at least 2 complete sentences): |

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| ***Decide on one additional CPA profile. Complete the following:***

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| Name of CPA: |

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| Job Title: |

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| Firm/Organization: |

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| Why did you choose this individual? |

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| Summarize the individual’s education: |

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| What is the individual’s “quote”?  |

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| Summarize the individual’s bio in at least 5 sentences: |

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| What was most interesting about this CPA? (at least 2 complete sentences): |

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**Becoming a CPA**

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| **Prepping for College** |
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| Which of the bullet points on this web page have you done or you think is your strongest checklist item: Explain why it is your strongest: |

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| Which of the bullet points do you think you will focus on most this current semester: Why? |

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| **Education Options** |

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| Summarize this page with three most important points for yourself (complete sentences):1)2)3) |

\*\*You can check **This Way to CPA** link on your own. No need to write any response to your investigation of this link.

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| **Find the Right School for You** |

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| What does it mean for a college to be AACSB and ACBSP accredited? |

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| Click the College Search option and complete the filtering that applies to your personal interests, etc. Choose 2 different college links of your choice and go to the school’s link. Find 5 items of interest or importance to you. |

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| Choice #1: School Name:5 items of interest: |

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| Choice #2: School Name:5 items of interest: |

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| Read the “Real Life Accounting Student” article. What are three take-aways from this article: (in complete sentences)1)2)3) |

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| **Applying for School: The Do’s and Don’ts** |

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| One Important DO from the article: |

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| One Important DON’T from the article: |

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| Read the College Internship page; one thought from this page: |

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| Look over the Scholarships page; no need to write anything on this page. |

**Features & Programs:**Check out one of the links on this page (one link that you have not yet checked out):

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| How did you benefit by checking out this link? What did you learn for checking out this link? Answer these questions in 2 to 5 complete sentences: |

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