



Ambitions

Ambitions provide a focus for your goals and career. Typically they are far enough in the future to allow for change, and sometimes there are changes or modifications made to these ambitions. Ambitions are a stretch from where you are now and connect to forward momentum and where you are going. If you have a tangible picture of your future this can help provide motivation and inspiration to keep going as you navigate the steps and sometimes the hurdles that will be in between where you are now and where you are going.

Each area of your **VISTA** can point towards a direction and help direct your ambitions and goals. Ambitions can include personal goals such as having a family, owning a home or travel. Ambitions can also include goals specific to the area of study you choose and the career you have.

Reflect on and answer the following questions.

What three things you would like to accomplish in the next five to 10 years?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

What would you like your obituary to say about your life accomplishments and the impact you have had on others or the world?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

What would you do if you did not need money?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

What are the three biggest accomplishments you want to achieve in your life?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Draw a picture of where you see your life in the future. Think ahead five or 10 years. What are you doing? Who are you with? What do your surroundings look like?

Review your answers. Choose between the achievements or things from above that you want to be part of your future goals.

Reflection

What surprises, if any, were there?

If you have a defined career path, how do your current ambitions align with it?

If you do not have a clearly defined career path, what possible careers are suggested by your ambitions?

Additional Resources and Activities

- Alberta Government Career Planning site:

[CAREERinsite](#)

[Where Am I Right Now](#)