

★YDI PBL 15-Year-Olds (Self-guided): Week 3 - Engage & Investigate (Session 5 - Session 7)

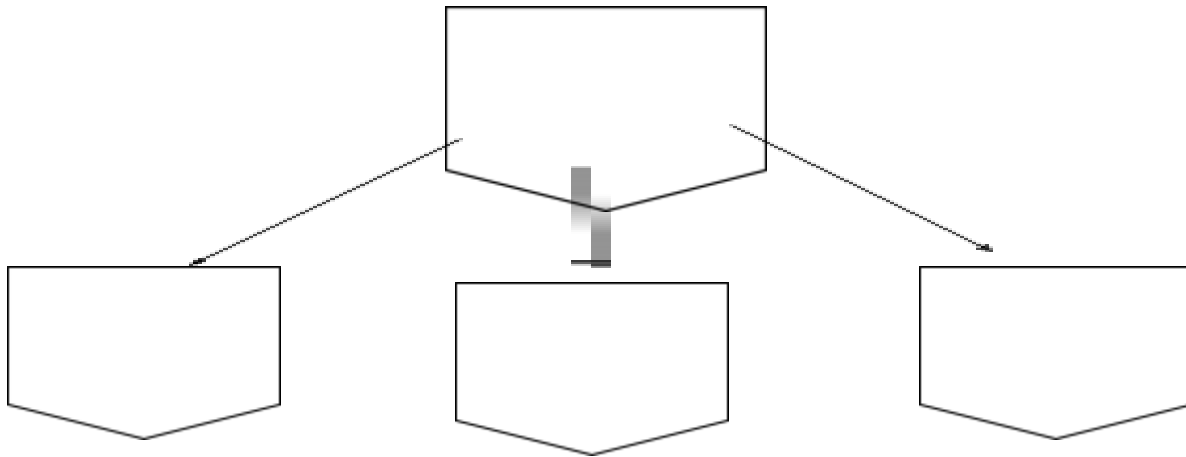
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🏠 Session 5

Theme of the Session: Exploring Citizenship

Portfolio Step 1: Elected Official Review

Re-create this graphic organizer (you can use Google Slides, Canva, or just create a list). Include which city councilor government website you visited and what you learned. Place her/his name at the top, and three core takeaways! **NOTE: You can edit the boxes by double clicking on the shape.**



Two websites and two core elements you discovered.

- ★ [Www.council.nyc.gov](http://www.council.nyc.gov)
- ★ [Www.boston.gov](http://www.boston.gov)

What were you surprised by?

What you might have been confused by?

Choose 1 of your elected rep to read their voting record

Where do they stand on the issues you care about?

Do they hold any positions you oppose?

Is there anything you wish you could change their mind about? How might their stance impact your community?

Portfolio Step 2: Community Survey

To get more information on community priorities and begin the data collection process, design a community survey. To get started read this article on the [7 Steps to Create a Community Feedback Survey](#).

When you're ready create your survey using your Workbook or use [Google Forms](#). Check out this [video](#) to support your process.

Community Feedback Survey (Remember, you can complete a Google version)

We would love to hear about your experience and thoughts on what we can do to improve our community!

Name :

Email:

Question 1

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Question 2

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Question 3

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Feedback Comments

Suggestions for Improvement

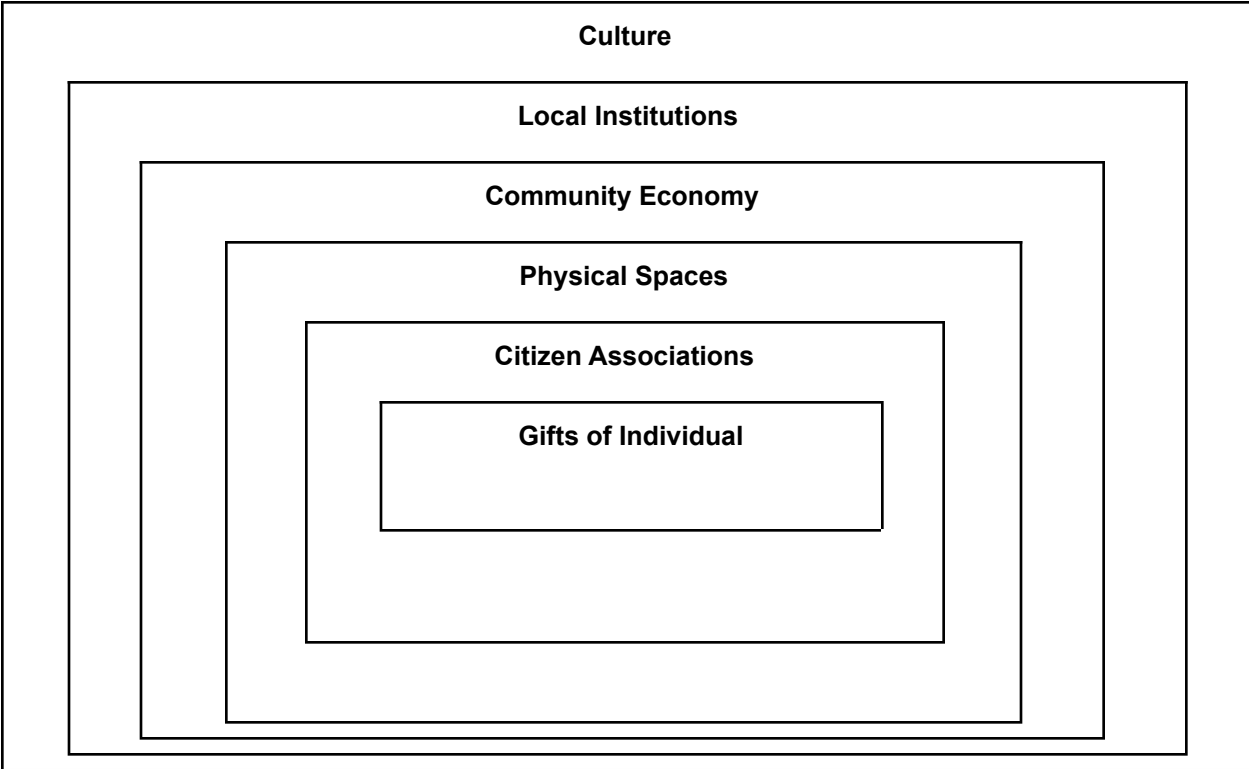
Portfolio Step 3: Community Asset Guide

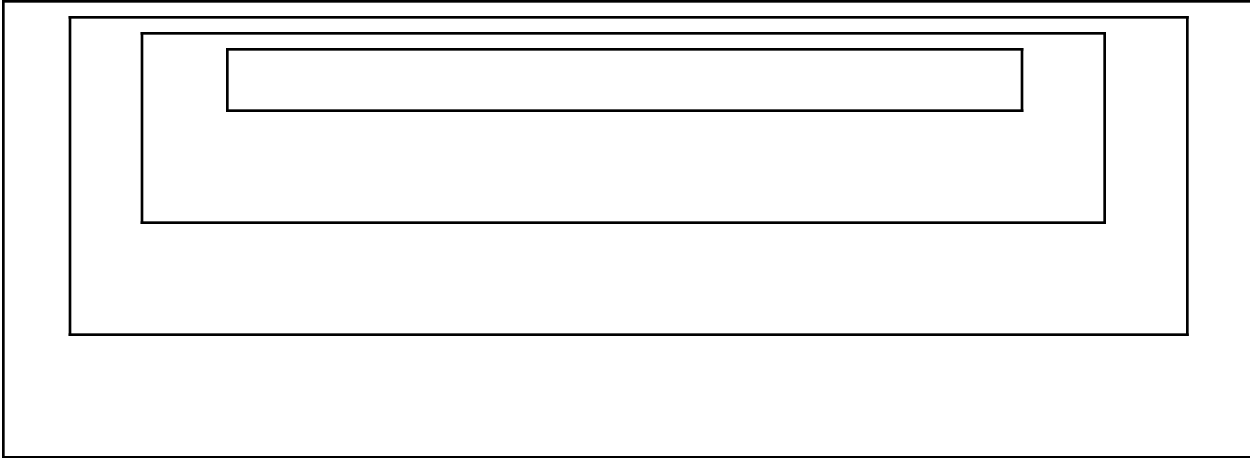
Finally, create a community asset guide that identifies important locations in your local community. To do so, you might want to conduct interviews with community members or survey people. Check out pages 9-11 of the [Asset Mapping Toolkit](#) for tools to do this mapping. Use your Workbook to map your findings.

While you're doing this, consider:

- 1. What do you consider valuable in the community?
- 2. What do other people find valuable?
- 3. What resources are present?
- 4. What would you want to see changed

Community Asset Map





Portfolio Step 1: Post-Secondary Pathways Reflection

Record your top schools below!

Your Top Schools	Majors of Interest/Sectors of Work

Portfolio Step 2: Credentialing Analysis

Complete the graphic organizer below by listing the types of credentials you need to reach your career goals

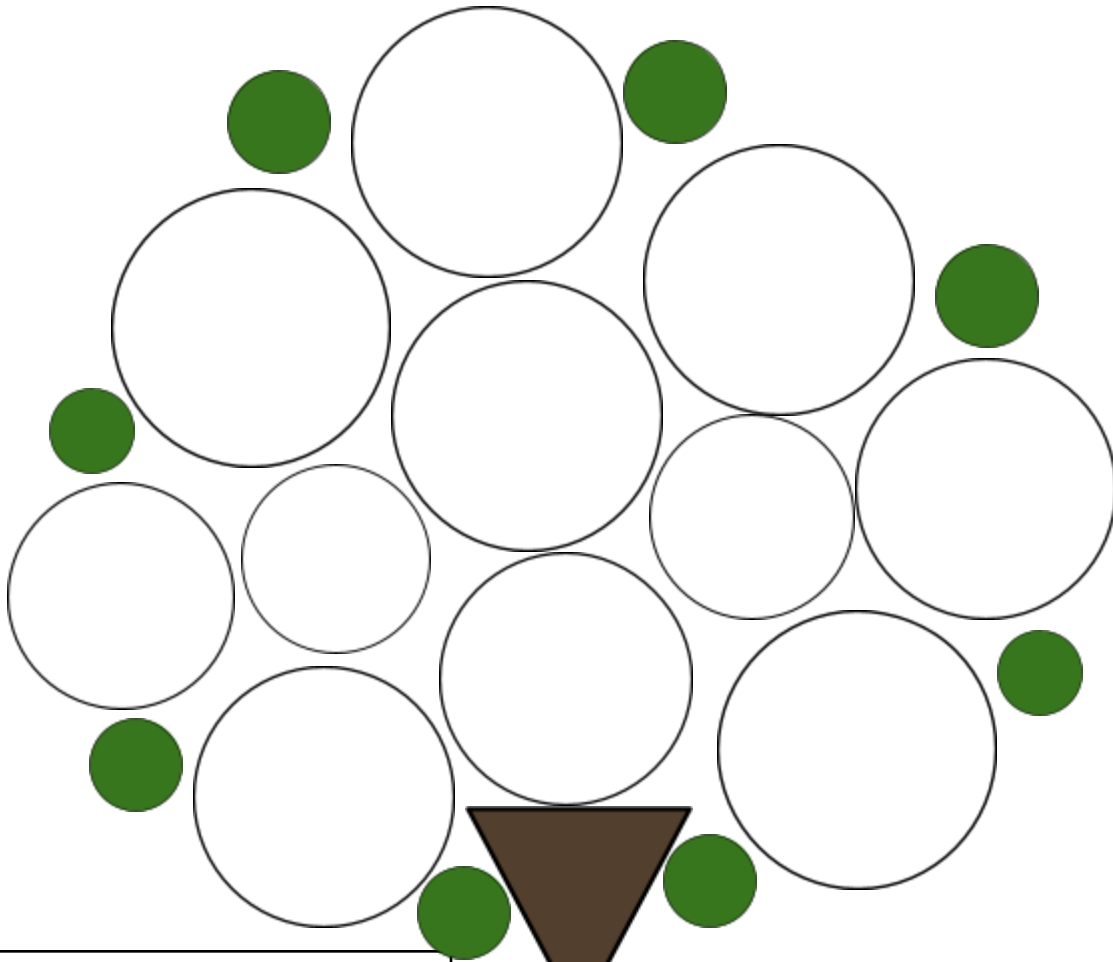
Dream Career				
Career	Sector	Technical Skills Needed	Credentials?	Questions You Might Have?

Portfolio Step 3: [Career Plan](#) (Credentialing Pathways Inventory)

For your final step, update the credentialing pathways inventory in your Career Plan! While you're doing this, consider the work you've completed this week. Reflect on how your values shape your professional decisions. What did you discover about your local civic infrastructure? How might civic participation fit into your career plan?

Portfolio Step 1: Root Cause Tree

Leaves: What problems do you see your community facing?



Trunk: What structure, practices, and policies support the problems?

Roots: Represent the historical, social, and/or economic factors that allow the issue to grow. Why do these structures or policies exist?

Draw this yourself if you cannot print it.

Complete the following reflection questions.

Now that I've examined the way things are, how can I make them better?
What skills should I learn to start moving in a new direction?
What do I most need to change?
What do I do next?
How can I use this process to tackle a challenge I'm facing in my life?

Portfolio Step 2: Failing Up Reflection

What does it mean to 'fail up'? Jay Z said, "You learn more in failure than you ever do in success." Failing up is all about taking risks, being willing to fail, and recognizing that even if you don't succeed, you've learned from the experience. Check out [this video](#) to hear more about how failure is an important part of life.

<p>While you're doing this, write, OR record a 2 min MP3 video about a time that you tried something and it didn't work out the way you planned. Consider, what was the experience? What did you learn from it? How did this experience impact your future decisions? How might it impact your work on your Design Team's project?</p> <p>Video recording tools</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">★ Show Me★ Adobe Spark Video★ Buncee
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Use the space below to share your thoughts:

Portfolio Step 3: Business Card (digital or Workbook)

Create business cards for the job of your dream!

You will create a business card that represents your personal brand to share with the wider world! You will want to use an index card, a sheet of paper, or you can design on your computer using something like Canva ([business card creator](#)) or business card templates in Microsoft Word or similar software.

Company Name/
Logo

YOUR NAME
Title

Company Address
Email
Phone #

While you're doing this, consider: what are your favorite colors? What are your keywords?