

Resource 14

Roleplay: Talking to whānau about careers

This role play can be conducted in pairs or with a handful of willing students in front of the class.

Instructions:

Jesse needs to have an uncomfortable conversation with their caregiver/s.

1. Pick a topic from the scenario list below and a student to play 'Jesse'
2. 'Jesse' has 5 minutes to come up with their conversation plan using the table in Resource 15 Student Worksheet: Talking to whānau about careers.
3. While 'Jesse' is coming up with their plan, assign other roles to class members e.g. stern parent, supportive aunty/uncle, old-fashioned Nanny, grumpy Grandad, snarky sister. If roleplaying in pairs, have the other student play a 'difficult' caregiver

Scenarios:

Choose a scenario from the list below (or come up with your own) to role play a career conversation:

1. Jesse comes from house that believes university is the only way to go, but Jesse wants to be a builder...
2. Jesse plans on going to uni next year but doesn't know who is going to pay for it...
3. Jesse needs to get a driver license but knows their family can't afford the fees...
4. Jesse wants to be a youtuber but their Dad is expecting them to take over the family farm...
5. Jesse wants a gap year before making their next career move, but their caregiver/s don't think it's a good idea...