Housing and My Personal Needs

Choosing a place to live

**MODEL IOWA COMPREHENSIVE OCCUPATIONAL COMPETENCIES (INDICATORS):**

3. Evaluate housing alternatives based on floor plans, structure, maintenance, safety, energy,

lifestyles and special needs).

Objectives:

You will be able to

* Explain how housing helps to satisfy your needs and personal priorities
* Compare housing needs with various lifestyles
* Determine how housing affects your quality of life
* evaluate personal lifestyle needs and wants and use their best judgment to find the appropriate place to live based on them

Materials: Computer lab

Activities:

1. Complete findyourspot.com/quiz
2. You will find several areas that fill your needs from the quiz you take on findyourspot.com. Choose your top two choices that you would like to explore.
3. Check out the website [Sperling’s Best Places to Live](http://www.bestplaces.net/). This offers statistical data on the places you have chosen. You just type in the name of the city, state and zip code and information on the population, school district, unemployment rate, and cost of living come up. There are many other options that are available for you to explore.
4. Make your choice for where you would most like to live.
5. Create a presentation that explains the choice you have made. Include why you think this was a good choice for you and how it fills your lifestyle needs and personal priorities.
6. Think about the career choice you are considering for your future at this point. Research the availabilities this career choice if you choses to move to this area.

I used this website to help with planning this lesson-familyconsumersciences.com- A place to live