Today in the lab, you will be doing some searching and finding. You need to answer each of the following by writing your findings in your OneNote notebook. You can use the web version or the desktop version. Don't copy the questions, but do answer them in complete sentences. You also need to copy and paste the URL for each website where you find this information below each answer. Specific instructions are on the class blog!

- 1. What are the most current figures on the percentage of students who graduate high school and:
  - A) go to college
  - B) go into the military
  - C) go straight into the workforce
  - D) go to a technical school
- 2. Find out what the poverty line is for America. What percent of the general population in America lives below the poverty line?
- 3. Find a figure for the number of school aged children who live in poverty in this country.
- 4. Find current data for America and for Kentucky on students who do not graduate from high school.
- 5. Find some data/facts that shows a connection between socioeconomic level and the national school dropout rate.
- 6. Find some data that shows the connection between socioeconomic level and student performance on standardized test scores.
- 7. About what percent of students who begin a college education actually finish it and earn a bachelor's degree? (Graduation rate.)
- 8. Settle on a realistic career you see yourself doing as an adult. This should be something that requires some form of specialized training/certification. Write down the job title, along with a brief description of what this career does. This must be a legit career that isn't dependent on luck and rare talent, like a super model, rock/rap star, or a professional athlete. And be honest—if you want to run your own auto repair shop, then put that and don't write down "pediatrician" because it sounds better.
- 9. Find an institution where you can receive the required training to be qualified for this career. Locate tuition and related costs per year, then calculate how much it is going to cost for you to graduate from the college or tech school you chose.
- 10. Identify how this schooling/training is going to be paid for. Nothing hypothetical. If you haven't already been awarded a scholarship, then don't count any. There is no room for "maybe" or "hopefully" here. If your family hasn't already told you that they are helping you pay for college, then they aren't.
- 11. What is the average salary for your specific career choice from #8? (From three different sources)

- 12. Find some facts on what the current in-demand jobs are right now in America. List the top 7 to 10.
- 13. Find some facts about what jobs/fields are <u>NOT</u> in demand right now in America. List the top 5.
- 14. Find a few lists of the most and least useful college or vocational degrees. List about 5 of those.
- 15. This may be difficult, but try to find some info on what the current job market is like for this profession you selected. (How in-demand are these workers?)
- 16. Explain in your own words what an APR is, regarding loans.
- 17. Assume you have \$5,000 in credit card debt.

  How long would it take to pay off that debt if you made only the minimum monthly payment each billing cycle?

  Now, do the same thing with a \$10,000 balance.
- 18. Still pretending you are 27 like we were in class on Wednesday, find the following quotes for yourself as a single adult:
  - -health insurance
  - -full coverage car insurance
  - -\$20,000 life insurance
- 19. A-Go car shopping. Pick out a car you realistically see yourself owning, assuming you are 27 and working full time. New or used—it's up to you. Write down the make, model, and price of the exact car you want. Copy and paste a small photo of the car too.
  - B-Figure out what monthly payments would be for your car. Identify how many months the loan is based on. Then, figure out how about how much full coverage insurance would be for a single 27 year old for that car. (We'll assume you have a squeaky clean driving record.)
- 20. Search a real estate site for the location you see yourself living in as an adult, and find a listing for the type of residence you see yourself living in. Copy and paste that listing, including a photo or two of the place, as well as the MLS number.