



The Awesome Project

Self Advocacy + Building Portfolio

Understanding what makes you awesome is the first step toward choosing the right career path. IndigoPathway helps students and career seekers uncover their strengths and interests—essential elements for future success.



In this activity, students will use their IndigoPathway results to reflect on their personal strengths and create a final piece of work that showcases their value to employers and post-secondary schools. Whether it's a digital portfolio, a blog, or a video, this project helps students connect their self-awareness to real-world opportunities.

The Goal: Students leave with a completed creative project they can showcase to employers and include in post-secondary applications.

Materials:

- IndigoPathway Survey Results
- Access to computers or materials for a creative project

Step 1: Give students one class period to look through the Strengths, Behaviors, and Motivators of their IndigoPathway Survey Results and explore the following set of questions:

- *What makes you awesome?*
- *What are you interested in?*
- *When have you excelled in school or life?*
- *When have you overcome challenges in school or life?*
- *When have you used your motivators and strengths in school or life?*




Step 2:

Ask students to create something that explains why they are awesome. It could be a portfolio, blog, YouTube video, presentation, essay, personal website ([Wix.com](https://www.wix.com), [Weebly.com](https://www.weebly.com), [Squarespace.com](https://www.squarespace.com)), collage or any other creative form they want to explore. This can be done in class over the span of a few periods or even assigned for homework over a few weeks.

Step 3:

Have students present their final project. Alternatively, you can have students write a 3-5 paragraph essay showcasing their project that answers the following questions:

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- *What did you do?*
 - *What did you learn?*
 - *How did you apply the strengths/motivators from your IndigoPathway Results to the project?*
 - *What makes you awesome?*

Note: To guide the conversation around this exercise, pitch it in a way that communicates, *“If you can understand what makes you awesome and what makes you come alive, then you can look for colleges and careers that support those characteristics.”* If students are struggling with viewing themselves in a positive light, their IndigoPathway Survey can help reinforce their inherent strengths.