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What Should He Do?	x	x		x		x	5
Payday.....	x	x	x	x		x	6
Group 2: College							
English Class	x	x		x	x	x	7
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Group 3: Job Search							
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Six Offers - Six Communities	x	x		x	x	x	20-21
Group 4: On The Job							
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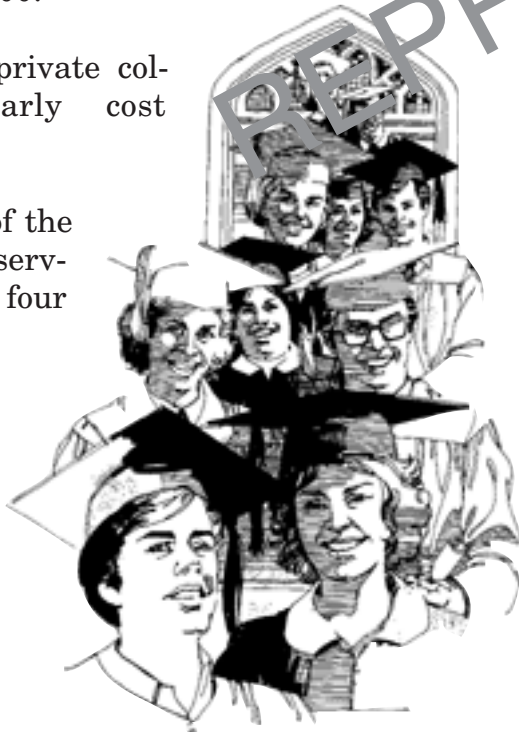
Bill Zane is just an average guy. No special talents and no driving passion. He does okay in school (he'll graduate with a B average). He played some football and ran track and was even in a school play.

He enjoys being with his friends and seems to get along with just about everyone.

He'll graduate from high school next month and has no idea what he wants to do. His friends are talking about where they're going to college or jobs they're starting, but when they ask about his plans he just says, "I don't know yet."

Here are five options he's considering:

- 1) Go to work full-time until he decides what he wants to do.
- 2) Go to the local community college and live at home. Yearly cost \$2,000.
- 3) Go to a state university. Yearly cost \$10,000.
- 4) Go to a private college. Yearly cost \$23,000.
- 5) Join one of the military services for four years.



What do you think is good or bad about each of these choices for Bill?

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

5) _____

Which option do you think he should choose?

#1 ___ #2 ___ #3 ___ #4 ___ #5 ___

Why? _____

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Bill decided to major in journalism. He finished his second year at River Valley Community College and transferred to the journalism department at Western State University to finish his degree.

During the first semester of his junior year, he was assigned a **practicum** at the local newspaper.

A practicum or clinical observation is the middle ground between job shadowing and an internship. It allowed Bill to observe a reporter on the job for a longer period of time and even try his hand at the work.

Why do you think the journalism department has its students do a practicum as soon as they enter the department?

Each journalism major does a one semester **internship** during their senior year.

The internship is a for-credit course that allows them to work in the career they're training for. It's their last chance to try out a career before they go to work for real.

Unlike job shadowing in which Bill observed and asked questions for a few hours or even his practicum which still emphasized observation, an internship lets him get his hands dirty and really experience the job over a long period of time.

Bill can do his internship at any newspaper that will accept him, but like every other senior he hopes to be the department's choice to intern with Tony Deseno, a Pulitzer Prize winning journalist at the Tribune.

It's very common for the internship to turn in to a full-time job. What could be a better try out for Bill and a better start in the newspaper business.

The journalism department recommends one senior a year for an internship with Tony Deseno and Bill was this year's choice. The internship started in June and runs through December.

It's now the end of July and it has become the internship from hell.

He and Tony have not gotten along since day one and Bill is miserable!

Bill finds him arrogant, overbearing, and only interested in Bill as an errand boy. He loves the work since Tony always has a hot assignment, but hates working for him.

He is seriously considering quitting and starting classes again in August so he can graduate in December rather than in May.

Do you think Bill should drop the internship? Why?



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