

Stuart is a Healer

NOT GOOD AT

swimming,
dancing

CAREER

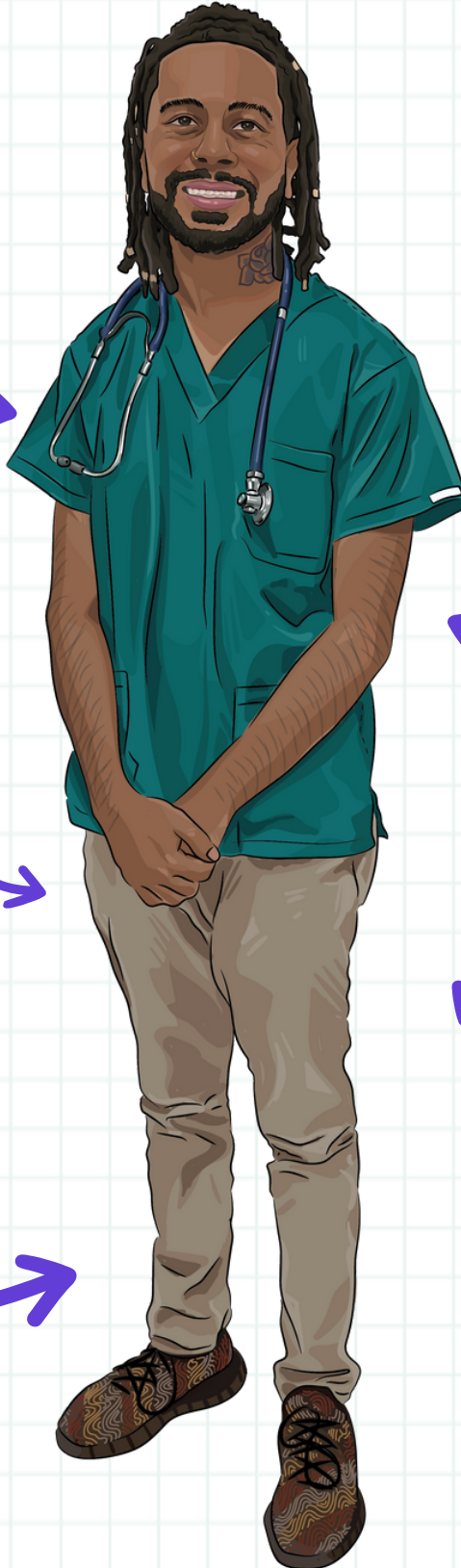
registered nurse
in Ramingining in
the Northern
Territory

EXPERT ON

translating bio-
medical knowledge
into the language of
the Yolngu people

GOOD AT

making a fire,
making a spear



LOVES

helping patients
feel informed

STUDIED

Bachelor of
Nursing at Uni

GOAL

create important
change to Australia's
healthcare system

GETS TO

improve health
outcomes for the
Yolngu people

Capability Convos

Australian Curriculum V9.0 links for
Years 3 to 7

English

- Language
- Literacy

General Capabilities:

- Critical and Creative Thinking
- Personal and Social Capability
- Ethical Understanding
- Literacy

Learning outcomes:

All students will be able to:

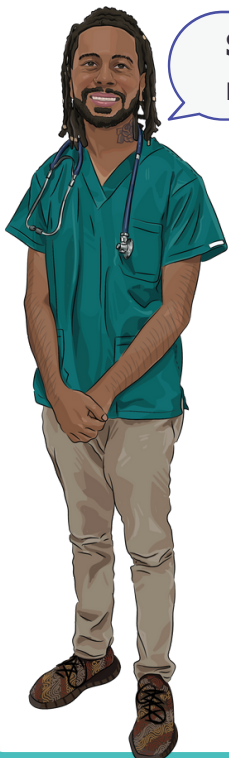
- identify some likes, dislikes, strengths, abilities and/or interests when showing a personal preference
- acknowledge that people have different needs, emotions and abilities

In addition, some students will be able to:

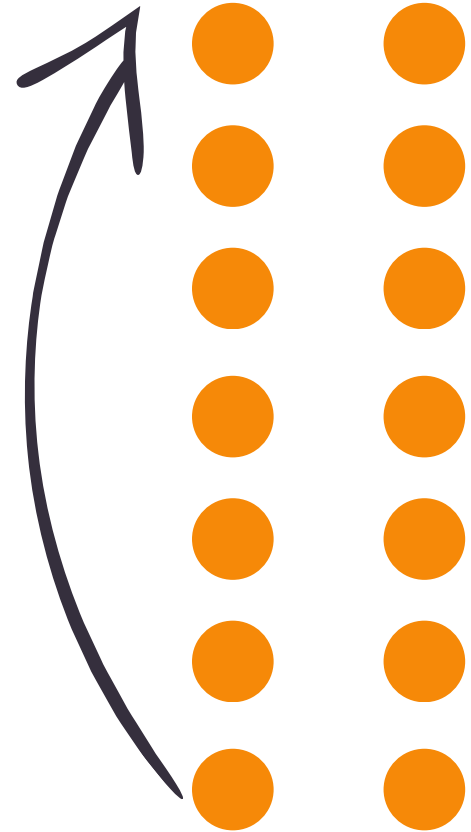
- describe the ways they are connected and can contribute to their community groups

Format

- Interactive game with 10 questions
- Easy to play
- Watch Stuart's film with the class
- Print the questions
- Play the game
- Modify or include new questions based on students' needs



Scan this QR code to watch
my film.



Instructions for students

Line the class up in two lines facing each other to form pairs. Ask the first question. Once each pair has discussed it, get one line to move one person to their right. The person at the end runs around to the other end of the line. Then you ask the next question and repeat the process until all the questions have been asked.

Stuart

Registered nurse

Question 1

What do you think is interesting about Stuart's career?

Question 6

How do you think Stuart's career contributes to society?

Question 2

What skills does Stuart have that you also have, and does he have any skills you don't have that you would like to have?

Question 7

Why is this career important in a rural or remote location?

Question 3

How might technology change this career in the future?

Question 8

What kind of tools or technologies do you think Stuart uses in his work?

Question 4

Why do you think it's important to find a career that matches your personality?

Question 9

When would teamwork be important in Stuart's line of work? Can you think of an example of when you use teamwork?

Question 5

How are your current interests and hobbies similar to Stuart's career?

Question 10

Why do you think cultural safety is important to positive healthcare outcomes?

Comprehension Questions

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- Literacy

General Capabilities:

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Learning outcomes:

All students will be able to:

- Identify that all people have strengths and weaknesses
- Actively think about what is happening in various texts as they read them
- Apply comprehension strategies to different media formats

In addition, some students will be able to:

- Identify different reasons for doing different jobs

Instructions:

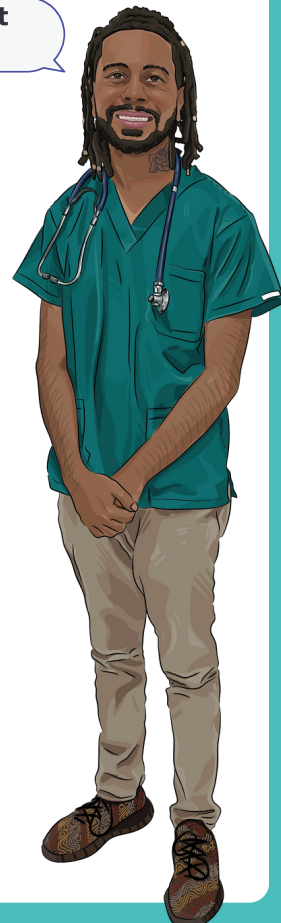
- Format/print the students' question sheets (or load them onto school LMS) and direct students to a copy.
- Read the questions as a class to start, discussing any meanings
- Discuss with the class strategies for being able to answer the questions as they learn about Stuart.
- Watch Stuart's film as a class, encouraging students to answer questions as you go

Adaptation note: Questions can be modified on the PDF to meet students' needs or learning focus areas in your classroom

Comprehension questions

1. Name two things Stuart is good at.
2. And two things Stuart can't do.
3. Why did Stuart want to become a nurse?
4. What kind of pet does Stuart have?
5. What does Stuart love most about being a nurse?
6. What did Stuart have to do to succeed in his studies in the Western World?
7. Why does Stuart believe more Yolgnu people should go into healthcare?
8. What advice does Stuart have for anyone thinking about a career in nursing?
9. Where does Stuart want to be in 10 years?
10. What would you like to ask Stuart?

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2.

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2.

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Why does Stuart say more Yolgnu people need to go into nursing?

What kind of pet does Stuart have?

Where does Stuart want to be in 10 years?

What advice does Stuart have for anyone thinking about a career in nursing?

What would you like to ask Stuart?

Comprehension Questions -Answer key

1. Name two things Stuart is good at:

1. Making a mean fire.
2. Making a spear.

2. And two things Stuart can't do:

1. Swim
2. Dance

3. Why did Stuart want to become a nurse?

To make a difference in the health outcomes of his community.

4. What kind of pet does Stuart have?

A British Bulldog.

5. What does Stuart love most about being a nurse?

Giving patients empowerment through education.

6. What did Stuart have to do to succeed in his studies in the Western world?

Pause his Yolgnu-ness.

7. Why does Stuart believe more Yolgnu people should go into healthcare?

To change the face of what's happening in Indigenous healthcare.

8. What advice does Stuart have for anyone thinking about a career in nursing?

Discipline, Discipline, Discipline, and don't stop being yourself.

9. Where does Stuart want to be in 10 years?

He wants to have his Masters in Public Health Policy, shaping Indigenous Health Policy.

Did you enjoy this free activity? We have lots more related to different STEM careers.
Explore them all at: www.futureyouaustralia.com.au/pathfinders

Registered Nurse

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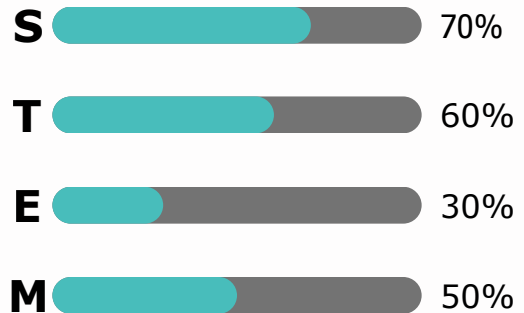
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"My inspiration came from the poor health outcomes that I saw growing up."

STEM Meter

How much Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) does this job use?



Source: jobsandskills.gov.au

Job stats and facts

Location: 28% of registered nurses live outside capital cities.

Employment pathways:

A bachelor degree in a relevant field or a vocational education and training (VET) qualification.

3 STEM skills required for this job

Research

Data management

Problem-solving

Subjects to develop these skills

Science, HASS

Science, Mathematics

Design and Technologies,
Digital Technology

3 other jobs that value this skill

Market Analyst,
Journalist, UX Researcher

Events Planner, Principal,
Site Manager

Detective, Mechanic
Software Developer

Other careers related to this line of work



Leadership

Public Health Policy Advisor
Director of Nursing
Clinical Nurse Educator
Health Policy Analyst
Public Health Administrator



Agriculture

Nutritionist
Environmental Health Officer
Veterinary Nurse
Health and Safety Inspector
Environmental Protection Officer



Animals

Support Animal Trainer
Zookeeper
Wildlife Conservation Officer
Wildlife Rehabilitator
Veterinarian



Technology

Medical Device Specialist
Audiologist
Biomedical Engineer
Clinical Systems Analyst
AI Healthcare Specialist



Conservation

Entomologist
Marine Biologist
Park Ranger
Habitat Officer
Water Quality Specialist



Safety

Firefighter
Occupational Health Nurse
Epidemiologist
WHS Officer
Paramedic

The world is changing rapidly, and this means the career possibilities available to our kids are wide-ranging and exciting (and probably don't exist yet!).

From traditional vocations to emerging fields, there are countless pathways to be explored.

Parents and teachers can create environments that encourage kids to discover and investigate possible careers that match their skills and interests.

We've included some links to other valuable resources that can help guide career conversations and explorations. Find out more at:

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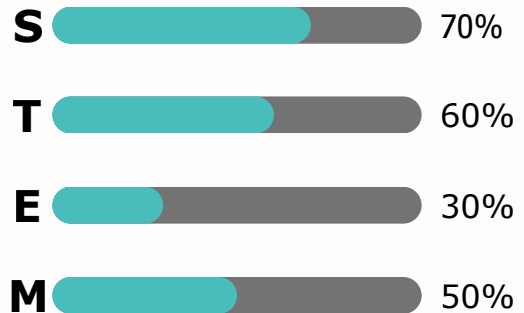
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5 reasons why you should do this job

- 1** Help people feel better, body and mind.
- 2** Learn lots about the human body.
- 3** Use cutting-edge medical technology.
- 4** Work closely with people every day.
- 5** Make a real difference in people's lives.

3 STEM skills required for this job

Research

Data management

Problem-solving

Subjects to develop these skills

Science, Humanities and Social Science

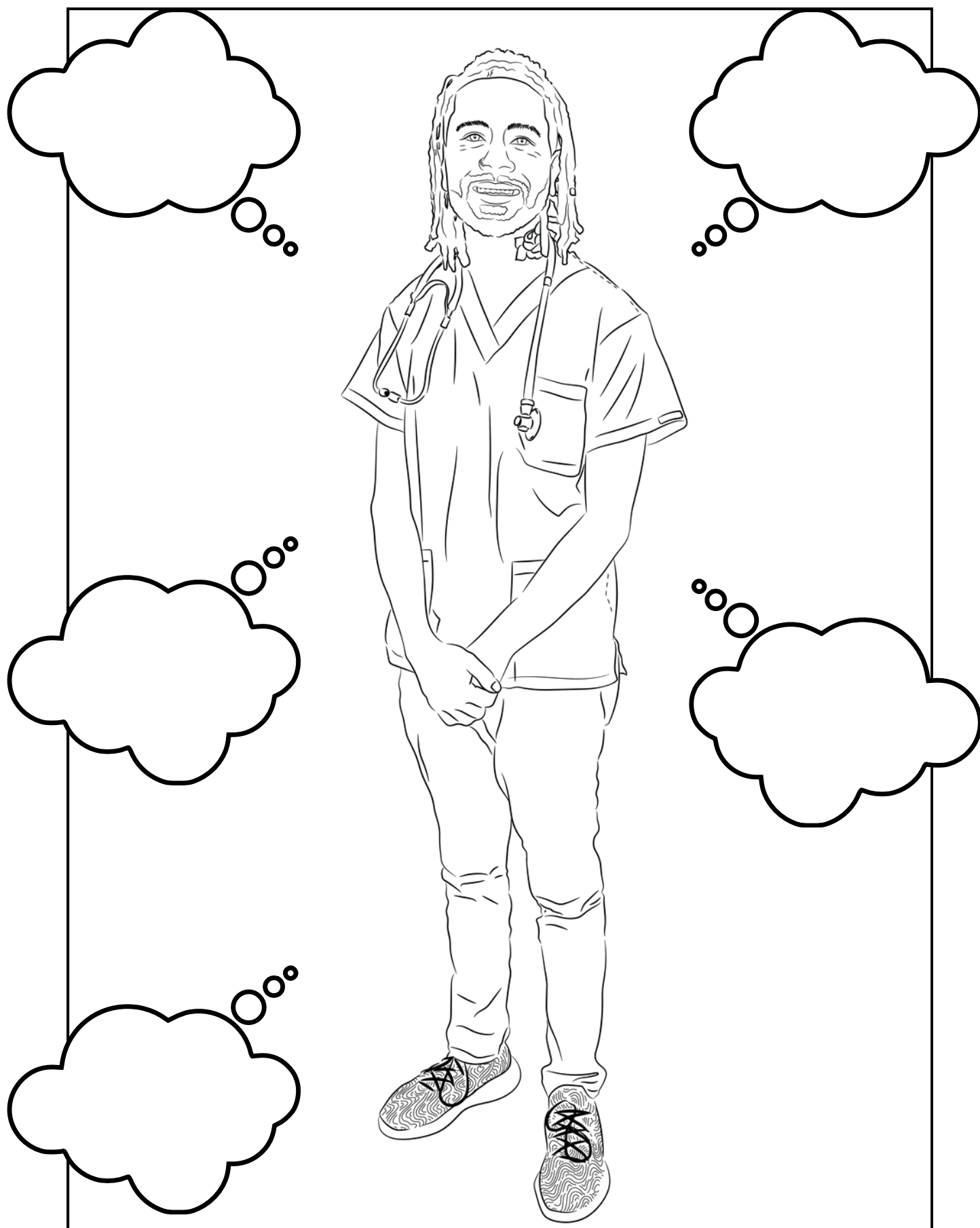
Science, Mathematics

Design and Technologies, Digital Technology

A day in the life of a registered nurse

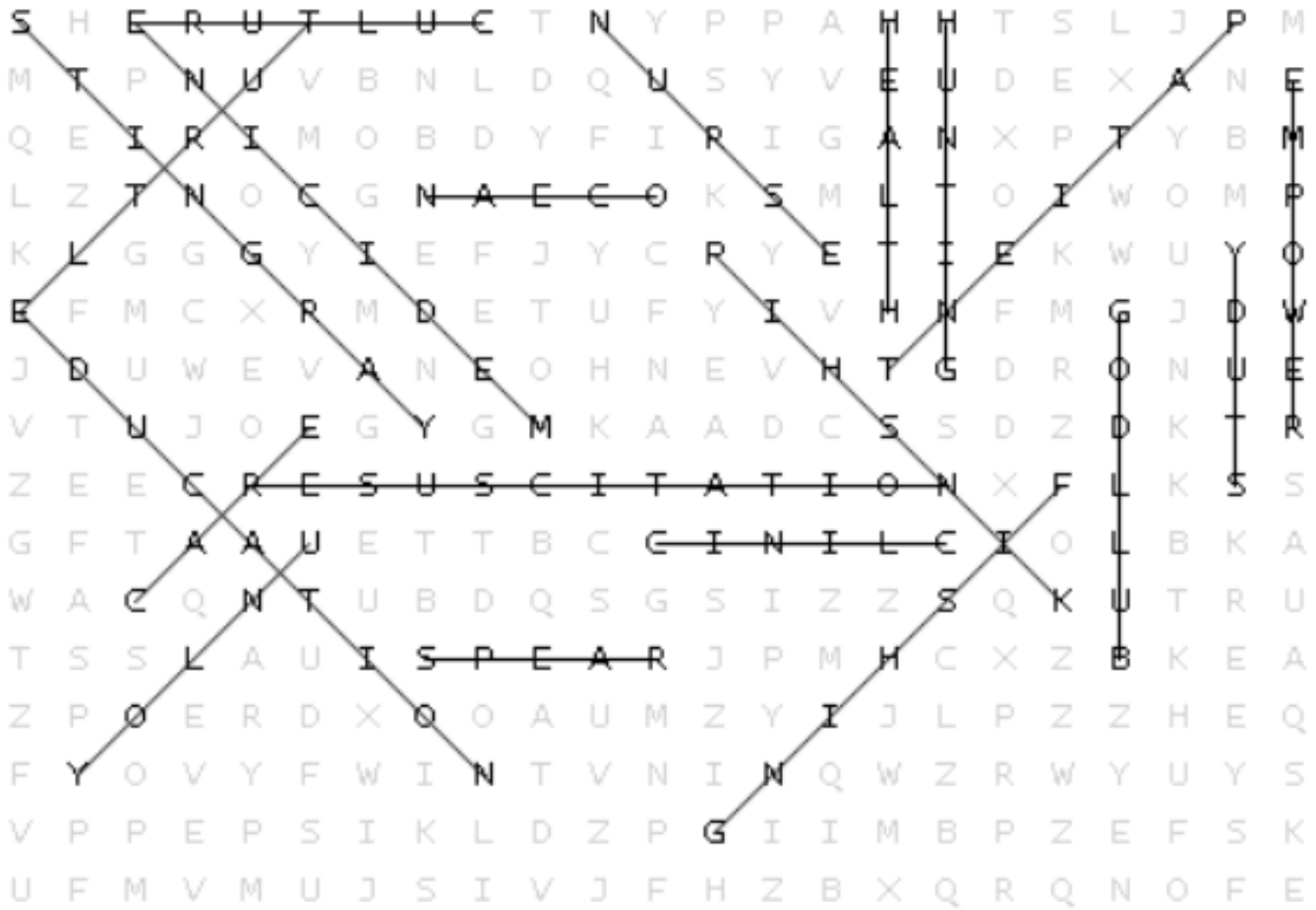
- 9.00am** A late start for me today. I was up at 3:30 a.m. looking after a young patient who was struggling to breathe. I gave them some medicine, which helped, and we were able to give them some relief.
- 9.15am** I make a coffee and grab some food as I walk out the door. We have a 9:30 a.m. meeting at the health clinic every day. I'll talk to the team about my patient from last night, and we'll discuss the patients we'll be helping today.
- 9.30am** Team meeting with the whole clinic. We have a patient who has a low platelet count. Platelets are tiny cells in your blood that help it clot, which is how your body stops bleeding when you get a cut or injury. The patient's platelet count is so low that we need to medevac her to Darwin.
- 10.30am** The team meeting is over, and it's time to do what I do best: help people. I open the door to see who is waiting, and I already have three patients. The first is here to take their monthly medicine. It's easier to keep it at the clinic because it needs to be stored at a certain temperature. Patient two just needs a couple of band-aids for some cuts on their fingers. Patient three is here for a blood test. I suspect they might have low iron, which is why they're feeling so tired.
- Midday** My eyes feel like there's sand behind them. I'm tired from being on call last night. I go home for a nap.
- 2.30pm** I wake up and head to the local shop. I need to get some food for dinner. I want to make some roasted kangaroo tail, but they don't have any. I'll have to have something else for dinner tonight.
- 3.30am** My colleague said I can use the clinic car this arvo to spend some quality time with my family. My dog, a British Bulldog called Martina, loves swimming, so we all jump in the car to cool off.
- 4.15pm** We arrive. My daughters and Martina immediately cool off in the creek, while my cousin and I build a fire to warm us up after we finish swimming. Martina has the best time. She runs around, sniffing all the wonderful smells, and enjoys being out in nature. This is one of our favourite spots.
- 5.30pm** While we have the car, we decide to go see the wetlands to see if we can spot any buffalo. We get lucky. It's an incredible sunset, and the buffalo are very active. We see all sorts of wildlife enjoying the sunset — birds, buffalo, and also Martina.
- 7.00pm** We get back home and I return the car. The local café is open, so we all go there and catch up with friends. Kinship and community are really important parts of my heritage. Connecting at the end of the day fills my cup and reminds me why I became a nurse: to help my community live healthier lives.
- 9.00pm** I get home, sit on the couch, and pop on some Netflix. I'm on call again tonight, so I have the work phone with me. When it rings, it's up to me to triage the call. Triage is a medical word that means sorting patients by how badly they need help.
- 11.00pm** The medevac is here for the patient with the low platelet count. I get the ambulance from the clinic and drive to their house to pick them up and take them to the airport.
- 11.30pm** I hand over the patient to the medical staff who are here for the medevac. I make sure they have all the patient's information, and I make sure my patient understands where they're going and why. The patient is boarded, and I watch the plane take off. The work phone rings. Another patient needs my help.

Meet Stuart. He's a registered nurse working in a health clinic in his local community. Fill in the bubbles with 5 STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) skills he uses in his job. Which of these skills do you think is most important? Which do you think would be the hardest to develop? When you've thought of the skills, colour in the rest of the image.



Pathfinder Workwords

Answers



Let's reflect

Were any of these words new to you? Look them up and find out what they mean.

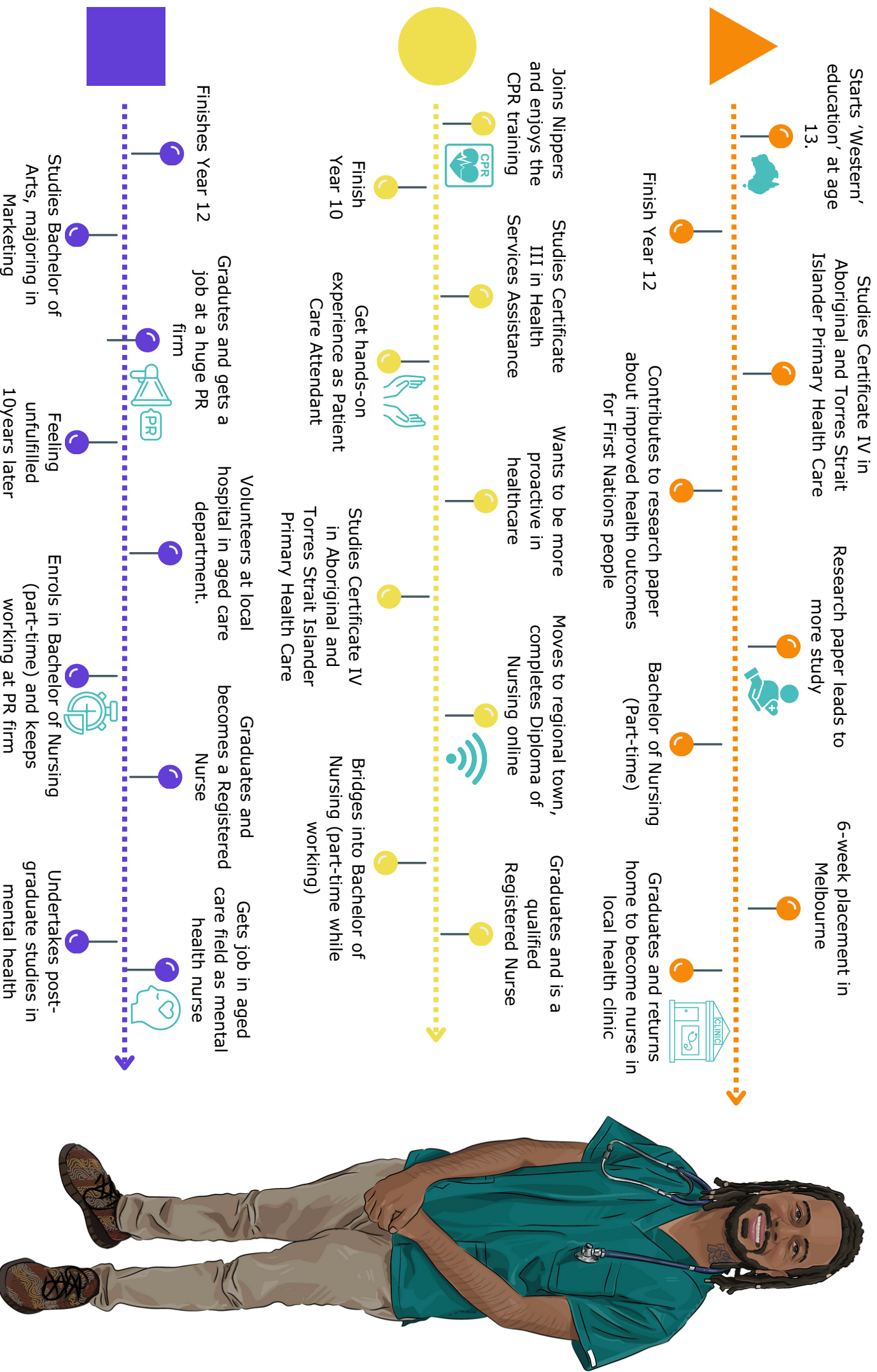
Which of these skills do you think you are best at, or would like to get better at?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Can you think of anything else Stuart might need to do his job?



Find out more at www.futureyouaustralia.com.au/resources/#other/

The educational qualifications and levels outlined in these pathways are intended as general guidelines. To obtain accurate and up-to-date information, explore resources specific to your state or territory, available through websites like myfuture.edu.au, [YourCareer.gov.au](https://yourcareer.gov.au) and australianapprenticeships.gov.au.

There is also a range of financial support available for students doing apprenticeships or going to university, visit www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/education to see what's available.



- Certificate IV in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care: <https://training.gov.au>
- Bachelor of Nursing: <https://www.coursesseeker.edu.au>



- Certificate III in Health Services Assistance: <https://training.gov.au>
- Certificate IV in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care: <https://training.gov.au>
- Bachelor of Nursing: <https://www.coursesseeker.edu.au>



- Bachelor of Arts - <https://www.coursesseeker.edu.au>
- Bachelor of Nursing: <https://www.coursesseeker.edu.au>



Remember, there are countless pathways to the same career. Each child's unique skills, interests, and strengths will guide them on their personal journey to success.

Registered Nurse career pathways

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