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SkillsUSA Champions Magazine Winter 2011 — Read/Analyze Content

Directions:
Read and analyze the articles in the Winter 2011 issue of <i>SkillsUSA Champions</i> magazine. In class, share what you learned through a presentation or written report. Follow up with classroom discussion to enhance this lesson.
1. What is the cost of <i>SkillsUSA Champions</i> for nonmembers and members (Page 4)?

- 2. Read the column "World-Class Time" (Page 5). How long does it take to become world-class at a given skill? What steps are you taking to become world-class at your skill?
- 3. After reading the advice from the experts in the "SkillsUSA Championships Insider's Guide" (Pages 8-13), pick five contests and list the advice offered for succeeding in each one. Rank the advice in order of importance to you.
- 4. Where can you locate the most current rules and updates for the SkillsUSA Championships (Page 8)?
- 5. Read the article on Clint Moneymaker (Page 11). What contest did the student compete in? What obstacle did he overcome?
- 6. Summarize Jacob Hudson's story on Page 14.
- 7. What classes are you currently taking that you could do better in? List the steps you could take to help you improve.
- 8. What steps did chef Kevin Sbraga take to achieve his success (Page 15)?
- 9. Write one of your personal education goals. Be specific, including what is going to happen, when the goal will be reached and how it will happen.
- 10. What is "Putting Your Safety First Will Help Make You Last" about (Page 16)?
- 11. Read the "Spotlight" and "Image" sections on Pages 17 and 18. Create a list of five projects your class could do to help others this winter.

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