



Real World Reading

Vocabulary

identified enterprising persistence venture



Gidget Schultz

Their way All the way!

Gidget Schultz couldn't bear to see kids living on the streets near her Encinitas, California, home. So Gidget, now 14, started her own charity.

Gidget's Way gives backpacks, jackets, and school supplies to homeless kids. Gidget also gives teddy bears to local police to keep in their cars. Officers give the bears to kids who are scared, sad, or hurt. "Running Gidget's Way is a full-time job," says Gidget.

Jhordan Logan of New Castle, Indiana, **identified** a different need. She discovered there were hardly any good books for kids to read at Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis. Jhordan organized a Read It Again drive that collected over 5,000 books. Another program she started matches elementary school students with nursing home residents.

Gidget and Jhordan share an **enterprising**, highenergy attitude. "No matter what age you are, you can always volunteer," says Jhordan.





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Kids around the world use their skills and time to help make our world a better place. A service project can be as big as building a home for a family or as simple as collecting coins for charity. Choose something that

will inspire you—something that you really care about and makes you want to work hard. Here are some helpful tips.

- **1.** Identify a problem that exists in your community.
- 2. Learn more about the problem; think about ways to solve it.
- 3. Set a goal for the project.
- **4.** Decide what supplies and help you'll need.
- **5.** Get others involved.
- **6.** Stick with it! Your **persistence** and hard work will keep the project on track.
- **7.** Have fun! Knowing that you are helping your community should make you feel good.



Jhordan Logan, 13, delivers books to kids in the hospital.

Kids' Jobs

Do you think about getting a job when you're older? Maybe you'll want to earn spending money or save for college. These are the types of businesses that employ the most teenagers. Don't forget, though, you can also start your own venture—business or project—and be your own boss!

Male	Percent of All Youths Who	o Work
Restaurants	3	31.3%
Grocery Stores	•	13.6
Entertainment ar	nd Recreation Services	4.5
Agriculture		3.6
Construction		3.6
Department Stor	es	3.1
Female	Percent of All Youths Who	o Work
Restaurants	į.	32.6%
Grocery Stores		9.9
Private Household	ds (babysitting, etc.)	5.7
Department Stor	°e5	4.4
Entertainment a	nd Recreation Services	4.0
Source: U.S. Department of Labor		
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