

Teamwork in the Foods Lab

Directions When you are part of a team in the foods lab, cooking is not all you are doing. You are practicing the same teamwork skills as in any other setting where groups work together. Read the situations below and respond to each one on separate paper.

1. **Prepare** Jillian, Cesar, and Dana are a team in the foods lab. First they must prepare a list of ingredients and quantities needed for the food they plan to cook. Cesar writes the list while Jillian and Dana discuss what they plan to do after school. *Evaluate teamwork. What are they doing right, if anything? How could they work better as a team?*
2. **Divide the Work** Jillian, Cesar, and Dana talk about the best way to divide up the work. Jillian makes a suggestion. The other two call Jillian's idea stupid. They propose a different plan, which all three agree to follow. *Evaluate teamwork. What are they doing right, if anything? How could they work better as a team?*
3. **Getting Ready** Jillian and Cesar wash their hands with soap and water, tie back their hair, and put on clean aprons. They notice that Dana's hands are still dirty. They can not get started until she washes them, so they stand around waiting. *Evaluate teamwork. What are they doing right, if anything? How could they work better as a team?*
4. **Workloads** Chopping vegetables takes Jillian longer than expected. She complains that the workload is not fair. Dana finishes her task and then helps Jillian chop vegetables. Soon the team is back on schedule. *Evaluate teamwork. What are they doing right, if anything? How could they work better as a team?*
5. **Cleanup** Jillian and Dana clean up as they go. Cesar lets a mess pile up around him. When it is time to clean up, Dana says Cesar should clean up his own mess, but Jennifer disagrees. All three work on cleanup until the job is done. *Evaluate teamwork. What are they doing right, if anything? How could they work better as a team?*
6. **All Done** Working together, the three get done ahead of other teams in the lab. They congratulate each other and call the other teams slowpokes. *Evaluate teamwork. What are they doing right, if anything? How could they work better as a team?*