

A spiral-bound notebook with a white cover and lined pages is set against a green background. The notebook is open to a page with the text 'Plannning for Life After School Begins Now'. The text is in a large, bold, red font. There are several yellow sticky notes: one at the top left, one at the bottom left with a red curved line, and two at the bottom right (one orange, one yellow). The notebook has a silver spiral binding on the left side.

Plannning for Life After School — Begins — Now



**To hit the target,
transition planning
should start early.**

But it's never too late

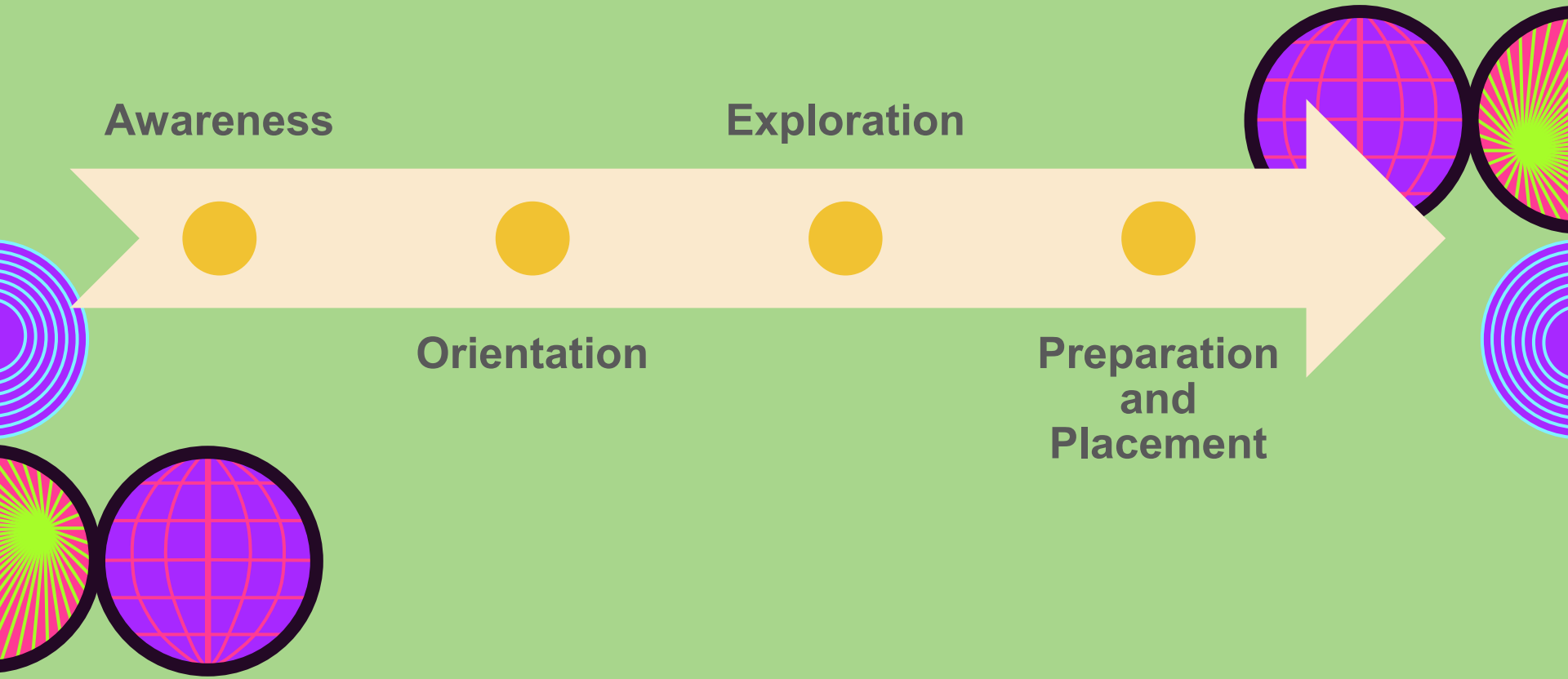
Stages of Transition

Awareness

Exploration

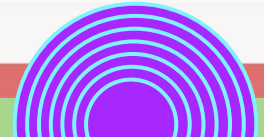
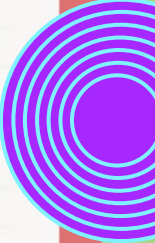
Orientation

Preparation
and
Placement





Awareness



What do you want to be
when you grow up?

What are different jobs?

Self-care - independence skills

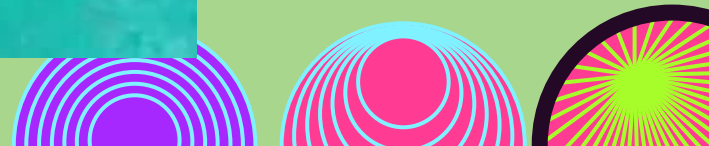
Give choices

**Possible activities at
home**

Self-awareness

Likes and dislikes

If you had been floating with a life jacket for 12 years and the life jacket were removed, would you be able to swim to shore?



Orientation

Possible activities at home



Community experiences

Home experiences

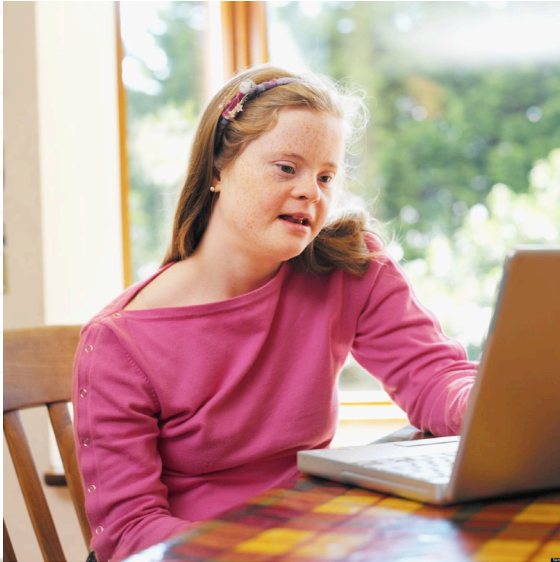
Family/friend networks

Volunteer, broaden the vision, increase participation in the community

Variety of chores, opportunities to make decisions, watch a variety of programs

Identify that network of people who can help with job shadowing, talking to your child, future connections and future employment

Starting conversation in Middle-school



Continue discussing hopes, dreams and fears

Discuss Pros and Cons of Certificate vs Diploma track



- Participation in the IEP

Exploration



Starting the conversation in high school

Parent input is vital

PINS (prefer., interests, needs, strengths)

Choices, decision making

Self-determination, self-advocacy

Adult services



Preparation





Preparation

Vocational
Education

College
Visits

Job
training

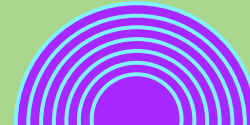
Workplace
social skills

Job
experience



*“You can’t learn to swim in the
parking lot of the pool”*

– Norman Kunc



Thank
You

