

Alex Fishman Angling Plan Worksheet

Student Name:

Class:

Date:

Look at you! You're Alex Fishman. You're 17, a senior in high school and enjoying a camping trip with your family. You're really excited about the **two fishing adventures** your family have planned over the next 5 days. You used to love fishing when you were younger, and you enjoy being out on the lake with your family; but your main concern is catching some rays... as far as you care, this is **two three-hour time periods** when you'll be able to get a great tan... and maybe catch a few cute little panfish. That's right, grab your sunscreen because when it comes to fishing you care more about *sleeping in* and being out on the lake when the sun's out. Catching fish is secondary for you, but you know it's a great time to be with the family so you're not going to miss this trip and sit back at camp. You need to keep in mind the weather, the time of day and the area of the lake that you're on. The lake has some nice deep water and some shaded areas. Sure, those shaded areas are known for their mosquitos... but more importantly, they're in the shade... that's not really your plan, now is it?!? Let's go sunbathing!... er, a... fishing! You've taken a look at the forecast and fortunately for you these next five days have some prime times for your main goal:

Day	6am-9am	9am-12pm	12pm-3pm	3pm-6pm	6pm-9pm
Monday	68° cloudy	72° cloudy	75° partly cloudy	77° sunny	75° partly cloudy
Tuesday	72° drizzle	75° overcast	77° partly cloudy	81° sunny	82° clear skies
Wednesday	75° cloudy	81° cloudy	85° sunny	86° sunny	85° partly cloudy
Thursday	80° clear skies	75° partly cloudy	76° overcast	72° partly cloudy	68° overcast
Friday	50° overcast	60° sunny	65° partly cloudy	63° sunny	61° drizzle

On a separate sheet of paper or on your computer, develop your own fishing plan that addresses these issues you've identified as your angling concerns:

- What areas of the lake are most likely to result in catching the rays you desire? What about the fish you want to catch?
- What time of day are the fish you want to catch most active?
- You have the forecast for the next five days. What sections of what days seem to be most ideal for your fishing adventures? Which periods are the worst for you personally?
- At the end of the day, your family is important to you. Be prepared to compromise. Which time periods do you see that may accomplish your goals, even if they're not ideal?

In class Sessions 3 and 4, all of the groups will present their angler plans then have a class debate on solutions to developing an overall plan that best serves the combined interests of the various groups.

Support your recommended angling plan using the following methods when developing your plan and debating in class:

- Begin your research by watching the classroom video again, and decoding some key points on the webpage; <https://intotheoutdoors.org/topics/weather-conditions-and-fish-behavior/>
- Do online research about what different fish species behavior means for your plan

Now go create an awesome plan that your whole family will enjoy and get ready to present to the rest of the class. Be prepared with some back-up plans, you may have to compromise to get the most out of this family trip.