**DIRECTIONS TO THE INSTRUCTOR FOR GROUP ACTIVITY 1**

 **Preparation:** No advance preparation is needed for this activity.

 **Process:** Divide the class into groups of three or four students each. Ask each group to choose a type of business its members would enjoy working for. Then, allow the groups 10–15 minutes to brainstorm ways that financial information would help with decision making for that type of business. For example, a group may choose a snow-cone stand for its business. Financial information could help the business know whether or not the company can afford the biggest and best snow-cone maker on the market. When the groups have finished, ask each to discuss its ideas with the class.