**Discussion Topics, Chapter 3, Professionalism and Job-Seeking Skills**

| Topics for Discussion | Learning Objective(s) |
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| 1. Lisa completed her nursing assistant training and passed the state competency evaluation. She is now ready to find a job as a nursing assistant.What are some things Lisa might want to consider before filling out job applications?Lisa decides to apply for a certified nursing assistant position at a local nursing home. What steps should she take to begin the application process? | 5,6,7 |
| 2. Larry is a nursing assistant assigned to care for Mr. Roberts, an 80-year-old resident who is often very uncooperative and resistant to receiving care. After working with Mr. Roberts for 3 days, Larry is becoming upset and angry. He fears he might yell back at Mr. Roberts, and he is not as gentle with him as he should be.What can Larry do to relieve the negative emotions and stress he is experiencing?Larry attends a workshop on work ethics, and learns that empathy can help reduce his negative emotions. What is empathy, and how can it be of help to Larry? | 3, 4 |

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| 3. Your friend is discussing the possibility of becoming a nursing assistant.   1. What should you tell them about being professional? 2. Where can you suggest they look for employment? 3. What hints can you give them to make a good impression at a job interview? | 1, 2, 5, 6, 8 |
| 4. You will be moving and need to terminate your current job as a nursing assistant.   1. How do you do that professionally? | 9 |