Holland Occupational Self-Assessment

- •People with the same or similar interests are often found in the same work environments.
- •To discover the work environments suited to your interests, abilities, and personality, please consider the following categories/themes.

Step 1: For each theme, check those items that describe you.

RE	REALISTIC		R Total =	
Are Y	ou:	Can You:	Like To:	
	Practical	Fix electrical things	Tinker with mechanics	
	Athletic	Solve mechanical problems	Work outdoors	
	Straight forward	Pitch a tent	Be physically active	
	Mechanically inclined	Play a sport	Use your hands	
	A nature lover	Read a blueprint	Build things	
	Good with tools and machinery	Work on cars		

IN	/ESTIGATIVE		I Total =
Are Yo	u:	Can You:	Like To:
	Inquisitive	Think abstractly	Explore ideas
	Analytical	Solve math problems	Use computers
	Scientific	Understand physical theories	Work independently
	Observant	Do complex calculations	Perform lab experiments
	Precise	Use a microscope	Read scientific or technical magazines
	Good with tools and machinery	Work on cars	
		Analyze data	

ARTISTIC		A Total =
Are You:	Can You:	Like To:
Creative	Sketch, draw, paint	Attend concerts, theaters, ar exhibits
Intuitive	Play a musical instrument	Read fiction, plays, poetry
Imaginative	Write stories, poetry, music, sing, a dance	Work on crafts
Innovative	Design fashions or interiors	Take photographs
An individualist		Express yourself creatively

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5	OCIAL		S Total =
re ,	You:	Can You:	Like To:
	Friendly	Teach/train others	Work in groups
	Helpful	Express yourself clearly	Help people with problems
	Idealistic	Lead a group discussion	Participate in meetings
	Insightful	Mediate disputes	Do volunteer service
	Outgoing	Plan and supervise an activity	Work with young people
	Understanding	Cooperate well with others	Play team sports

ENTERPRISING Are You: Can You:			E Total =
		Can You:	Like To:
Self-conf	ident	Initiate projects	Make decisions affecting others
Assertive		Convince people to do thi way	ings your Be elected to office
Sociable		Sell things or promote ide	win a leadership or sales award
Persuasi	/e	Give talks or speeches	Start your own political campaign
Enthusia	stic	Organize activities and ev	vents Meet important people
Energetic	•	Lead a group	

CONVENTIONAL Are You: Can You:		C Total =	
		Can You:	Like To:
V	Vell groomed	Work well within a system	Follow clearly defined procedures
A	Accurate	Do a lot of paper work in a shor	rt time Use data processing equipment
N	Numerically inclined	Keep accurate records	Work with numbers
٨	Methodical	Use a computer terminal	Type or take shorthand
C	Conscientious	Write effective business letters	Be responsible for details
E	Efficient		

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Step 2:	Total the items check	ed for each theme/category.	Identify the top 3	categories/themes t	hat create
	st accurate picture of y			•	

My top 3 categories/themes are:
1.
2.
3.
Step 3: How accurately do you believe your (3) top themes describe your personality and interests?
REALISTIC people are characterized by competitive/assertive behavior and by interest in activities that require motor coordination, skill, and physical strength. People oriented toward this role prefer situations involving "action solutions" rather than tasks involving verbal or interpersonal skills. They like to take a concrete approach to problem-solving rather than relying on abstract theory. They tend to be interested in scientific or mechanical rather than cultural and aesthetic areas.
INVESTIGATIVE people prefer to think rather than to act, to organize and understand rather than to persuade. They are not apt to be very "people oriented."
ARTISTIC people value self-expression and relationships with others through artistic expression. They dislike structure, prefer tasks involving personal or physical skills, and are more prone to expression of emotion than others. They are similar to investigative people, but are more interested in the cultural-aesthetic than the scientific.
SOCIAL people have high interest in other people and are sensitive to the needs of others. They perceive themselves as liking to help others, understanding others, and having teaching abilities. Social people value social activities, social problems, and interpersonal relationships. They use their verbal and social skills to change other people's behavior. They are generally cheerful, scholarly, and verbally oriented.
ENTERPRISING people are verbally skilled and use this skill in persuasion rather than support of others. They also value prestige and status and are more apt to pursue it than conventional people.
CONVENTIONAL people don't mind rules and regulations and emphasize self-control. They prefer structure and

order to ambiguity in work and interpersonal situations. They place value on prestige or status.