

SELF-KNOWLEDGE TREASURE HUNT

Skills

Skills are your talents and abilities. Skills tell the world what you're good at! Many skills are learned in school and used in the work you'll do later in life. Speaking a second language, playing basketball, reading music, solving math problems, and conducting science experiments are examples of skills.

My top skills are _____, _____, and _____.

Interests

Interests are activities or hobbies that you like doing. Examples of interests include being with your friends, visiting a mall, playing sports, going to the movies, reading, and taking a vacation with your family.

My top interests are _____, _____, and _____.

Values

Values are the beliefs and ideals that are important to you. Consider your values as you start to think about summer jobs and a future career.

Check yes or no to the following work and value statements and fill in the blanks where indicated.

- | Yes | No | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I value others. I enjoy helping, serving, selling, persuading, or directing people. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I value creativity. I like Web design, graphic design, art, or music. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I feel successful when working with data, software, and technology. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I value accuracy. I'm proud of the work I do recording or checking facts or numbers. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I enjoy operating or repairing machines. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I want to run a business. I want to be my own boss. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I enjoy working with animals or plants. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I value the "big idea." I enjoy making new discoveries and insights. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I want to earn a college degree. I value education. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I want a career cooking food. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I'd like a career in marketing or communications. I value verbal and written skills. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I enjoy _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I value _____ |

WORLD AT WORK

The 16 career clusters are groups of similar occupations and industries. It is a helpful way to explore career planning.

AGRICULTURE, FOOD, AND NATURAL RESOURCES: Possible careers: Environmental Engineer, Florist, Animal Breeder, Biochemist, Game Warden, Mining Engineer, Park Ranger, Farmer

ARCHITECTURE AND CONSTRUCTION: Possible careers: Architect, Contractor, Electrician, Carpenter, Plumber, Civil Engineer, Surveyor, Landscaper, Environmental Designer, Construction Worker, Painter

ARTS, AUDIO/VIDEO TECHNOLOGY, AND COMMUNICATIONS: Possible careers: Actor, Graphic Designer, Artist, Broadcaster, Digital Media Specialist, Journalist, Interior Designer, Photographer, Ad Executive, Cinematographer

BUSINESS, MANAGEMENT, AND ADMINISTRATION: Possible careers: Office Manager, Administrative Assistant, Entrepreneur, Human Resource Manager, Executive, Marketing Director

EDUCATION AND TRAINING: Possible careers: Teacher, Principal, College Professor, Corporate Trainer, Sign Language Interpreter, Librarian, Preschool Teacher

FINANCE: Possible careers: Financial Analyst, Financial Planner, Tax Preparer, Stockbroker, Loan Officer, Insurance Agent, Accountant, Bookkeeper, Bank Teller, Economist, Financial Adviser

GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION: Possible careers: Legislator, Intelligence Agent, Public Administration Supervisor, Homeland Security Manager, Emergency Management Director

HEALTH SCIENCE: Possible careers: Nurse, Medical Doctor, Physical Therapist, Dietitian, Sociologist, Paramedic, Vision Care Assistant, Medical Transcriptionist, Veterinarian, Dentist

HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM: Possible careers: Travel Agent, Chef, Lifeguard, Recreation Director, Hotel Manager, Waiter, Hotel Clerk

HUMAN SERVICES: Possible careers: Day Care Worker, Psychologist, Social Worker, Hair Stylist, Cosmetologist

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: Possible careers: Technical Writer, Multimedia Producer, Database Manager, Web Designer, Software Engineer, Network Administrator, Computer Programmer

LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY, AND SECURITY: Possible careers: Police Officer, Firefighter, Private Investigator, Attorney, Paralegal, Judge, Court Reporter, Military Officer, Criminologist

MANUFACTURING: Possible careers: Machinist, Manufacturing Engineer, Welder, Boat Builder, Jeweler, Major Appliance and Refrigeration Repair Technician, Computer Integration Technician, Mechanic

MARKETING, SALES, AND SERVICES: Possible careers: Customer Service Representative, Fashion Marketer, Real Estate Appraiser, Public Relations Specialist, Home Inspector, Sports and Entertainment Marketer

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS: Possible careers: Biologist, Electrical Engineer, Food Scientist, Astronomer, Mathematician, Chemical Engineer, Meteorologist, Drafter, Electrician, Computer Engineer

TRANSPORTATION, DISTRIBUTION, AND LOGISTICS: Possible careers: Airline Pilot, Air Traffic Controller, Truck Driver, Commercial Fisherman, Locomotive Engineer, Astronaut, Ship Captain, Bus Driver, Airline Reservations Agent, Flight Attendant

