

Discovering Your Interests



There are many paths you can take when deciding on a career. This interest activity will help you to narrow down your choices and start thinking about careers that match your interests.

Start here:



Take this path and learn how your interests will help you on your journey!

INTEREST CHECKLIST

To discover your top interests, use this scale to mark each set of activities

Like very much

like

not sure

dislike

dislike very much

5

4

3

2

1



Agriculture & Natural Science

- ____ Manage a beef, dairy, poultry, or fish farm
- ____ Set up traps to catch crabs, lobster, or shellfish
- ____ Feed, groom, or care for animals
- ____ Maintain planted areas of trees, flowers, or shrubs
- ____ Manage the use and development of forests



Arts, Av Technology & Communications

- ____ Write stories or plays
- ____ Design a web page
- ____ Play in a band, orchestra, or music group
- ____ Broadcast programs on TV or radio
- ____ Install cable TV or telephone cables



Architecture & Construction

- ____ Design, build, or remodel homes
- ____ Survey roads, property lines, and bridges
- ____ Build roads or bridges
- ____ Operate machines to power, heat, or cool buildings
- ____ Install electrical wiring in a home



Business & Administration

- ____ Type or write reports
- ____ Prepare tax records for people or companies
- ____ Manage a store
- ____ Work with computers
- ____ Answer the telephone and greet customers



Education & Training

- ____ Teach students to read
- ____ Take care of young children
- ____ Research test data
- ____ Be a physical trainer
- ____ Coach a team



Government & Public Administration

- ____ Develop bills to become laws
- ____ Participate in the military
- ____ Study legal documents to find information
- ____ Make regulations to protect the environment





Hospitality & Tourism

- _____ Escort groups of people on tours
- _____ Serve meals and beverages to people
- _____ Umpire or referee a sporting event
- _____ Plan and conduct activities and trips for tourists
- _____ Manage a hotel



Information Technology

- _____ Follow blueprints to inspect electronic systems
- _____ Use computer applications to create products
- _____ Repair computers
- _____ Design programs for computers
- _____ Write technical directions for engineers



Manufacturing

- _____ Use small or large power tools to build or repair items
- _____ Use precision devices to make parts
- _____ Use machines to shape, cut, or mold metal, fabric, or wood
- _____ Install electrical equipment
- _____ Configure computers



Science, Technology & Mathematics

- _____ Conduct experiments in a lab
- _____ Use advanced math to solve complex problems
- _____ Study causes of animal diseases
- _____ Study space and the solar system
- _____ Find alternate power sources



Finance

- _____ Keep track of money
- _____ Manage a bank department
- _____ Prepare financial records for people or companies
- _____ Sell insurance to people
- _____ Help people invest their money



Health Science

- _____ Examine people and give them medical treatment
- _____ Give first aid to patients in an ambulance
- _____ Help an injured person learn to walk again
- _____ Process medical records and correspondence
- _____ Read an X-ray



Human Services

- _____ Counsel people in hospitals, clinics, or schools
- _____ Help youth, couples, and families resolve conflicts
- _____ Advise people about their nutritional needs
- _____ Hold parenting classes
- _____ Plan activities for community centers



Law & Public Safety

- _____ Protect lives and property from hazards
- _____ Uncover details of a crime and arrest suspects
- _____ Study legal documents to find information
- _____ Guard money or valuables in an armored car
- _____ Defend someone in court and advise them about laws



Marketing Sales & Service

- _____ Buy clothing and accessories for a department store
- _____ Sell advertising space for a magazine
- _____ Provide beauty treatments for hair, faces, or nails
- _____ Run your own business over the Internet
- _____ Sell houses or land



Transportation & Distribution

- _____ Drive a truck to deliver products
- _____ Pilot a ship or airplane
- _____ Drive a bus or taxi
- _____ Operate a train
- _____ Manage a distribution warehouse



Now, total your score in each set of questions. Then play the match game and find the career cluster that matches the your top 3 highest scores!