

## Find the Job That's Right for You!

Look at the photo and skim the list of personality types. Which one best describes the person in the picture?

1 About half of all workers in the United States have jobs they aren't happy with. Don't let this happen to you! If you want to find the right job, don't rush to look through job ads on the Internet. Instead, sit down and think about yourself. What kind of person are you? What makes you happy?



2 According to psychologist John Holland, there are six types of personalities. Nobody is just one personality type, but most people are mainly one type. For each type, there are certain jobs that might be right and others that are probably wrong.

3 Considering your personality type can help you make the right job decision. Liz is a good example. Liz knew she wanted to do something for children. She thought she could help children as a school counselor or a lawyer. She took counseling and law courses – and hated them. After talking to a career counselor, she realized that she's an Artistic type. Liz studied film, and she now produces children's TV shows – and loves it.

### Personality types

**The Realistic type**  
is practical and likes working with machines and tools.

**The Investigative type**  
is curious and likes to learn, analyze situations, and solve problems.

**The Artistic type**  
is imaginative and likes to express ideas by creating art.

**The Social type**  
is friendly and likes helping or training other people.

**The Enterprising type**  
is outgoing and likes to persuade or lead other people.

**The Conventional type**  
is careful and likes to follow routines and keep track of details.

**A** Read the article. Then find these sentences in the article. Is each sentence the main idea or a supporting idea in that paragraph? Check (✓) the correct boxes.

	Main idea	Supporting idea
1. About half of all workers . . . they aren't happy with. (par. 1)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. According to psychologist . . . types of personalities. (par. 2)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. For each type, there are . . . that are probably wrong. (par. 2)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Considering your personality . . . the right job decision. (par. 3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. After talking to a career counselor, . . . an Artistic type. (par. 3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**B** For each personality type, choose two examples of appropriate jobs.

Realistic	Investigative	Artistic	Social	Enterprising	Conventional
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Doctor	Teacher	Business Owner
Mechanic	Musician	Accountant
Counselor	Electrician	Graphic Designer
Administrative Assistant	Scientist	Sales Manager