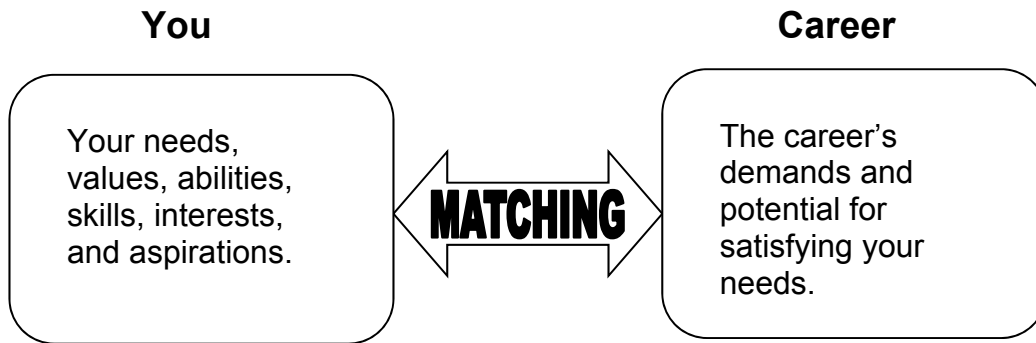
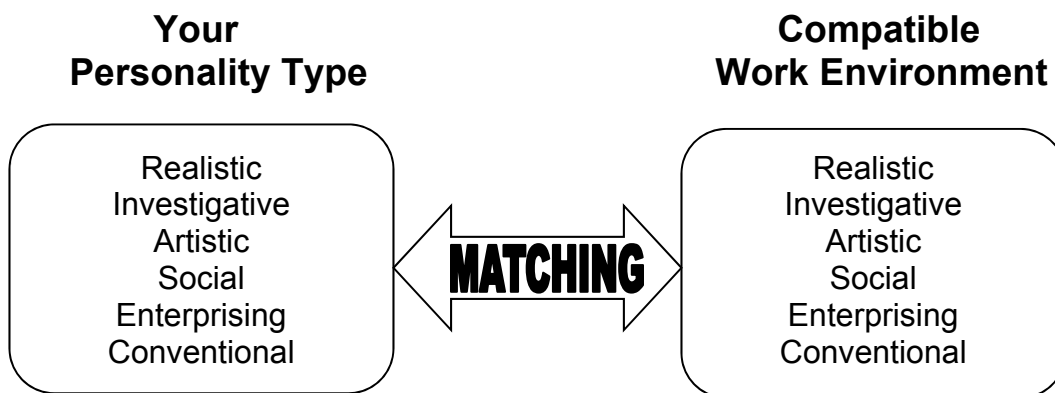


## Career Interest Inventory

Choosing a career is a matching process. Simply match your needs with the career that best fits them. The Career Interest Inventory assists you in this matching process. It will show you how to identify the healthcare careers most likely to satisfy you.



People can be grouped into six personality types. They are realistic, investigative, artistic, social, enterprising, and conventional. Healthcare careers can be grouped the same way. If you know what personality type you are most like, you can match it with a career found within that group.



Turn to page 2 and begin. Good luck!

## How Do You See Yourself?

Read each statement below and decide how much it describes you. If the statement is very true of you, write “2” on the line next to it. If the statement is mostly true of you, write “1.” If the statement does not describe you, write “0.”

### R

- \_\_\_ I like to work with animals, tools, or machines.
- \_\_\_ Compared to others my age, I have good skills working with tools, mechanical drawings, machines, or animals.
- \_\_\_ I am athletic, play a sport, and like to be physically active.
- \_\_\_ I value practical things you can see or touch like plants and animals you can grow, or things you can build or make better.
- \_\_\_ I love nature and like to work outdoors; my hobbies include landscaping and growing plants/flowers.
- \_\_\_ I am practical, mechanical, and realistic.

### I

- \_\_\_ I like to study and solve math or science problems.
- \_\_\_ I am good at understanding and solving science and math problems compared to others my age.
- \_\_\_ I enjoy crossword puzzles and board games.
- \_\_\_ I value science, and understand scientific theories.
- \_\_\_ I am interested in preserving endangered species.
- \_\_\_ I am precise, scientific, and intellectual.

### A

- \_\_\_ I like to do creative activities like art, drama, crafts, dance, music, or creative writing.
- \_\_\_ Compared to others my age, I have good artistic abilities in creative writing, drama, crafts, music, or art.
- \_\_\_ I value the creative arts like drama, music, art, or the works of creative writers.
- \_\_\_ I am artistic, imaginative, original, impulsive, and independent.
- \_\_\_ I like to work on crafts and take photographs.
- \_\_\_ I can play a musical instrument and enjoy performing in front of people.

## **S**

- ☐ I like to do things where I can help people, like teaching, first aid, or giving information.
- ☐ Compared to persons my age, I am good at teaching, counseling, nursing, or giving information.
- ☐ I express myself clearly and can lead a group discussion.
- ☐ I like to do volunteer work and religious activities.
- ☐ I value helping people and solving social problems.
- ☐ I am helpful, friendly, and trustworthy.

## **E**

- ☐ I like to lead and persuade people, and to sell things or ideas.
- ☐ Compared to persons my age, I am good at leading people and selling things or ideas.
- ☐ I would like to start my own business and meet important people.
- ☐ I value success in politics, leadership, or business.
- ☐ I enjoy watching the stock market and reading business journals.
- ☐ I am energetic, self-confident, ambitious, and sociable.

## **C**

- ☐ I keep accurate records and like to be responsible for details.
- ☐ I like to work with numbers, records, or machines in a set, orderly way.
- ☐ Compared to persons my age, I am good at working with written records and numbers in a systematic, orderly way.
- ☐ My hobbies include writing family history and genealogy.
- ☐ I value success in business and can write effective business letters.
- ☐ I am orderly and work well within a system.

Now add the number of points you have for each category. Write the sum on **Line 1** on the next page.

## Appealing Occupations

For the careers listed below, write “2” next to those that definitely interest or attract you in some way. Write “1” for those that might interest you. Write “0” for any that you are undecided about, do not sound interesting, or that you would dislike.

_____ Anesthesiologist-I	_____ Architect-A
_____ Clinical Psychologist-S	_____ Computer Operator-C
_____ Dental Assistant-R	_____ Dentist-I
_____ Director, Food Services-E	_____ Emergency Medical Technician-S
_____ EMS Dispatcher-C	_____ Engineering-Tool/Equip Designer-R
_____ Firefighter-R	_____ Hosp Administrator/Office Manager-E
_____ Interpreter/Translator-E	_____ Medical Illustrator-A
_____ Medical Secretary-C	_____ Nurse/Midwife/Nurse Aide-S
_____ Photographer-A	_____ Physician, General Practice-I

To the right of each career title you see a letter. Carefully add the number of points that you have for each of the seven career types and write that sum in the space below on **Line 2**. For example, add the points you gave Dental Assistant, Firefighter, and Engineering-Tool/Equip Designer, and write them on the space labeled “R.”

Now, add each column in **Lines 1 and 2** and put your total answer on the same column in **Line 3** to get your score. For example, (Line 1, space R) + (Line 2, space R) = (Line 3, space R).

<b>Line 1</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>+</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Line 2</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>=</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Line 3</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	<b>R</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>C</b>

You will use your total scores on **Line 3** to make construct your **Career Interest Inventory** answer key.

## Career Interest Inventory Key

Now you are ready to construct your Career Interest Inventory Key. Begin with the total number of points you have for each personality type from **Line 3** of the previous page. Make a small dot on the graph below for each type. Once you have completed this task, draw a line connecting your dots to complete the answer key.

	R	I	A	S	E	C
25						
20						
15						
10						
5						



According to occupational psychologists, there are six types of people: realistic, investigative, artistic, social, enterprising, and conventional. The highest scores on your answer key are the personality types that you are most like.

On the next two pages, many careers are listed. They are grouped according to the six personality types. Read over the careers listed for the two or three personality types that are the highest on your answer key. Place a checkmark next to those in which you have interest and investigate to learn more about them!

## **Realistic Careers – “The Doers”**

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Dental Assistant	Dental Laboratory Technician
Dental Technician	Firefighter
Optician	Orthodontic Technician
Practical Nurse	Safety Inspector

## **Investigative Careers – “The Thinkers”**

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Anesthesiologist	Audiologist
Biochemist	Biologist
Biomedical Engineer	Cardiologist
Chiropractor	Computer Programmer
Coroner/Forensic Medicine	Dentist
Food Technologist	Geneticist
Gynecologist	Hazardous Waste Technician
Internist	Medical Lab Technologist
Medical Technologist	Microbiologist
Neurologist	Nurse Practitioner
Obstetrician	Ophthalmologist
Optometrist	Pediatrician
Pharmacist	Pharmacologist
Physician, General Practice	Podiatrist
Psychiatrist	Psychologist
Radiologist	Speech Pathologist
Surgeon	Ultrasound Technologist
Urologist	Veterinarian

## **Artistic Careers – “The Creators”**

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Architect	Engineer Tool/Equipment Designer
Graphic Designer	Medical Illustrator
Photographer	Writer

## **Social Careers – “The Helpers”**

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Athletic Trainer	Clinical Psychologist
Counseling Psychologist	Counselor/Therapist
Dental Hygienist	Emergency Medical Technician
Medical Assistant	Medical Record Administrator
Midwife	Nurse
Nurse Aide	Nurse Instructor
Occupational Therapist	Physical Therapist
Physical Therapy Aide	Physician Assistant
Radiology Technician	Recreational Therapist
Respiratory Therapist	Speech Pathologist

## **Enterprising Careers – “The Persuaders”**

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Director, Food Services  
Hospital Administrator  
Manager, Health Club  
Public Health Educator

Funeral Director  
Interpreter/Translator  
Office Manager  
Public Relations Representative

## **Conventional Careers – “The Organizers”**

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Accountant  
Dispatcher  
Medical Records Technician

Computer Operator  
Insurance Clerk  
Medical Secretary