

# Personality Characteristics

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Personality characteristics are defined as those traits with which you are born or naturally inclined to have and to use. Choose the traits that reflect your greatest strengths.

*(This assessment is only a start to understanding your personality and how it fits into career decision making. To gain a more in-depth view of your personality, consider taking the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator and talking to a career counselor at the Career Center)*

- \_\_\_\_\_ ACCURATE: Work free from error or mistakes; careful, precise; detailed
- \_\_\_\_\_ ACTIVE: Lively; agile; high energy; busy
- \_\_\_\_\_ ADVENTUROUS: Try new things; take risks
- \_\_\_\_\_ ANALYTICAL: Examine and separate the parts of something to find its essential Meaning
- \_\_\_\_\_ ARTISTIC: Appreciation of or ability in the arts
- \_\_\_\_\_ ATTENTIVE: Listen well; play close attention to verbal and non-verbal messages
- \_\_\_\_\_ ASTUTE: Perceptive; clever; insightful
- \_\_\_\_\_ CALM: Remain peaceful, composed, and serene under pressure
- \_\_\_\_\_ CAUTIOUS: Careful; prudent; exercise forethought
- \_\_\_\_\_ COMPASSIONATE: Considerate; sympathetic; humane
- \_\_\_\_\_ COLLABORATIVE: Working as a team
- \_\_\_\_\_ COMPETENT: Skilled; qualified; capable
- \_\_\_\_\_ COMPETITIVE: Strive to win; oppose a rival
- \_\_\_\_\_ CONCEPTUAL: Intuitive; abstract or reflective thinking
- \_\_\_\_\_ CONCERNED: Care and high regard
- \_\_\_\_\_ CREATIVE: Imaginative; inventive; original
- \_\_\_\_\_ DECISIVE: Show firm determination in using judgment to make decisions
- \_\_\_\_\_ DEXTEROUS: Well-coordinated; handy; adroit
- \_\_\_\_\_ DIPLOMATIC: Tactful; skillful at negotiations

- \_\_\_\_\_ DISCREET: Showing good judgment; keeping confidences
- \_\_\_\_\_ DYNAMIC: Energetic; vigorous
- \_\_\_\_\_ EMPATHETIC: Sensitive to or identify with the feelings of others; warm
- \_\_\_\_\_ ENTHUSIASTIC: Show interest and excitement; expressive
- \_\_\_\_\_ FIRM: Unlikely to change mind; adamant; certain
- \_\_\_\_\_ FLEXIBLE: Adaptable; versatile
- \_\_\_\_\_ FORESIGHTED: Realize what is likely to happen in the future
- \_\_\_\_\_ HONEST: Truthful; genuine; having integrity; straightforward
- \_\_\_\_\_ LOGICAL: Rational; analytical; reasonable
- \_\_\_\_\_ OPEN-MINDED: Impartial; receptive to new ideas; free from prejudice of bigotry
- \_\_\_\_\_ ORGANIZED: Structured; orderly; systematic
- \_\_\_\_\_ OUTGOING: Sociable; friendly
- \_\_\_\_\_ PERCEPTIVE: Observant; keen insight or awareness
- \_\_\_\_\_ PERSISTENT: Refuse to give up; persevere
- \_\_\_\_\_ PERSUASIVE: Influence or lead others
- \_\_\_\_\_ PRACTICAL: Realistic; pragmatic; down-to-earth
- \_\_\_\_\_ RESPONSIBLE: Dependable; trustworthy; reliable; loyal
- \_\_\_\_\_ SENSIBLE: Showing good sense; sound judgment
- \_\_\_\_\_ SOPHISTICATED: Cultured; world-wise
- \_\_\_\_\_ STRONG: Powerful

Select your top 5 traits and describe in a brief statement how you effectively used each trait.

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