

Career Interest Guide...



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Career Interest Guide

'A classification of occupations by interest categories'

What to do now?

- 1. From your Career Interest Test, fill in the Scoring Key on the back of this page, and the chart on the following page.**
- 2. From the results of your test you should be able to see which areas you are most interested in.**
- 3. List your interest fields from the highest ranking to the lowest.**
- 4. Does your current occupation or your planned career match the score measuring your highest interests?**
- 5. On the following pages you will find different interest categories with a list of careers which suit that category. Cross out the ones that don't interest you until you are left with a short list. (Remember - you are not limited to these lists).**
- 6. Find out some more about these occupations in publications such as the Job Guide or other career information. Cross out any occupations that now do not seem suitable.**
- 7. Make a list of what you want from your career. Check whether these occupations offer you what you want. Cross out any occupations that are unsuitable.**
- 8. You should now have a short list of occupations that match your interests and abilities. You should discuss this list further with your parents or Guidance Officer.**
- 9. If you have more than one occupation on your list then compare all the occupations and put them in order until you have the one that you think suits you best at the top.**
- 10. Talk to your Parents, Vocational Education Co-ordinator, Career Guidance Counsellor, Pathways Officer or School-Based Co-ordinator to discuss your options in pursuing your chosen career.**

INTEREST PROFILE

This Profile shows a graph of your interests in the seven work or career activities that we measure. High scores show the type of activities you like best. More than one high score indicates a combination of interests. Low scores should also be considered since they show activities that you probably do not enjoy right now.

Use your two or three highest scores to help you identify a job or course that matches your interests.

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	Outdoor	Practical	Scientific	Creative	Business	Office	People Contact

SCORES

OUTDOOR

Outdoor interest means that you like to work and move about outside. It could involve caring for animals or growing things. Farmers, foresters, landscape gardeners, surveyors and sportsmen/women are among those high in outdoor interests.

Degree/ Diploma

Agricultural Occupations	Health Surveyor	Recreation Officer
Anthropologist	Horticulture	Surveyor
Archaeologist	Journalist	Telecommunications
Cartographer	Marine Scientist	Veterinary Scientist
Civil Engineer	Marine Surveyor	Viticulture
Defence Forces	Meteorologist	Forester
Naturalist	Geographer	Pilot
Geologist	Police Officer	

Certificate

Agricultural Operations	Builder	Horticulture
Ambulance Work	Cartographer	Occupations
Health Surveyor	Landscape Gardner	Animal Care
Mining Occupations		

Trade

Agricultural Operations	Green keeping	Sign writer
Boat Building	Jockey	Stonemasonry
Bricklaying	Merchant Navy	Wood Processing
Building	Nursery	Defence Forces
Plant Mechanics	Farm Apprentice	Roof Tiling
Gardening	Ship Building	

Other

Agricultural Operations	Driving Instructor	Public Transport
Ambulance Work	Farmer	Occupations
Animal Attendant	Farmhand	Railway Guard
Backhoe/Front end loader operator	Fire Fighter	Railway Station Assistant
Beach Inspector	Forester	Rigger & Scaffolder
Brewery Delivery Driver	Fruit Picker	Rubbish Removalist
Bricklayers Labourer	Furniture Removalist	Security Officer
Builders Labourer	Garbage Collector	Sheering
Bulldozer operator	Groundsman/woman	Steward/Stewardess
Bus Driver	Hire Car Driver	Stockowner
Coach Driver	Horticultural occupations	Strapper/Jockey
Concrete Worker	Journalist	Taxi Driver
Courier	Merchant Navy	Tow Truck Operator
Crane Operator	Meteorological Observer	Train Driver
Dairy Worker	Milk Deliverer	Veterinary Nurse
Defence Forces	Park Ranger	Window Cleaner
Photographer	Dog Trainer	Pilt

PRACTICAL

Practical interest means that you may like to work with tools and equipment, making and fixing things or possibly operating machines. Jobs in this area include pilots, factory workers, technicians and engineers.

Degree/Diploma

Aeronautical Engineer	Flight Engineer	Naturalist
Ceramics Engineer	Home Economist	Occupational Therapist
Chemical Engineer	Industrial Arts Teacher	Structural Engineer
Civil Engineer	Laboratory Technician	Telecommunications
Defence Forces	Marine Engineer	Draftsperson
Mechanical Engineer	Electronics Engineer	Medical Technologist
Food Technologist	Mining Engineer	

Certificate

Broadcast Maintenance Technician	Geological Technician	Radio Operator
Building Technician	Survey Drafting	Caterer
Jeweller	Occupations	Chemical Technician
Laboratory Assistant	Telecommunications	Computer Service Technician
Meteorology Technical Officer	Draftsperson	Non-destructive test technician
Driller	Panel Operating	Engineering Technicians
Photography	Film Production Occupations	Pastiches Production

Trade

Aircraft Instrument Mechanic	Defence Forces	Panel beater
Aircraft Maintenance Engineering	Butcher	Dental Technician
Apparel Plant Mechanic	Cabinet maker	Electrical fitter
Baker	Carpenter	Electroplater
Blacksmith	Clicker	Fitter and machinist
Boat Maker	Compositor	French polisher
Bookbinder	Computer Service Technician	Glass industry trades
Boilermaker	Cook	Knitting machine mechanic
Brake Mechanic	Coppersmith	Lift mechanic
Business Equipment Service	Cutter	Locksmith
Meat industry trades	Metal industry trades	Milliner
Moulding	Painter and decorator	Motorcycle Mechanic
Orthopaedic technician	Panelbeater	Plasterer
Plastic industry trades	Pastry cook	Plumber
Printer trades	Radio trades	Roof tiler and Slater
Saw Doctor	Small goods Manufacturer	Upholsterer
Ship Builder	Tailor/toolmaker	Wall and Floor Tiler
Shoe Repairer	Toolsetter	Welder

PRACTICAL (cont..)

Other

Air Traffic Controller	Furnace Operator	Shotblaster
Automotive Replacement Spare Parts	Garbage Collector	Slaughterman/woman
Sales	Glazier	Small Goods Manufacturing
Car Detailer	Housemaid/Houseman	Stewards/Stewardess
Carpet Layer	Laundry Worker	Storeman/woman and Packer
Cleaner	Line Serviceman/woman	TV Equipment Operator
Dairy Industry Occupations	Meat packer	Ticketwriter
Defence Forces	Miner	Tracer
Dry Cleaner	Panel Operator	Tyre Fitter
Engraver	Pest Controller	Vehicle Assembly Worker
Factory Hand	Photograph Processor	Welder
Fibreglass Worker	Piano Turner	Winemaker
Film Equipment Operator	Picture Framer	
Fisherman	Projectionist	
Flight Attendant	Radio Operator	



SCIENTIFIC

Scientific interest means that you may like to discover ideas, observe, investigate or experiment. It includes medical and health occupations. Doctors, pharmacists, zoologists, dentists, chemists and physicists have high scientific interests.

Degree/Diploma

Anatomist	Chiropractor	Health Surveyor
Agricultural Scientist	Dentist	Hospital Pharmacist
Astronomer	Dietician	Industrial Chemist
Audiologist	Doctor	Laboratory Technician
Bacteriologist	Ecologist	Marine Scientist
Biochemist	Entomologist	Mathematician
Biologist	Forensic Biologist	Medical Technologist
Biometrician	Geneticist	Metallurgist
Biophysicist	Geophysicist	Meteorologist
Botanist	Gemmologist	Microbiologist
Chemist	haematologist	Naturalist
Nuclear Physicist	Orthodontists	Pharmacologist
Nurse	Orthoptics	Physiotherapist
Occupational Therapist	Osteopath	Podiatrist
Optometrist	Parasitologist	Radiographer
Veterinary Scientist	Zoologist	

Certificate

Animal Technician	Food Technology Technician	Pathology Technician
Ambulance Officer	Health Surveyor	
Audiometrist	Laboratory Assistant	
Biological Technician	Meat Inspector	
Chemical Technician	Nursing Aide	
Engineering Technician	Optical Dispenser	

Trade

Dental Technician	Optical Mechanics	Orthopaedic Technician
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Other

Ambulance	Diet Aide	Trichologist
Animal Attendant	Meteorological Occupations	
Dental Assistant	Nursing Aide	

CREATIVE

A Creative interest means that you like to express yourself as an individual. It could include artistic, musical or literary occupations. An artistic interest could show that you like to design and create objects, appreciate beautiful things, practise design or decorate things around you. Artists, photographers, signwriters, and designers all do 'artistic' work. Musical interest could mean you like composing, dancing, singing or playing musical instruments. Dancers, musicians, and entertainers have musical interests. Literary interest means that you like books, writing and dealing with ideas. Literary jobs could include actors, writers, editors, reporters or advertising jobs.

Degree/Diploma

Actor	Interior Designer	Publisher
Advertising Executive	Interpreter	Sculptor
Architect	Journalist	Textile and Design
Art Teacher	Landscape Architect	Town Planner
Editor	Librarian	Translator
Fashion Designer	Musician	
Film Production Occupations	Music Teacher	
Gallery Director	Naval Architect	
Industrial Designer	Public Relations Officer	

Certificate

Advertising Occupations	Library Assistant	Interior Decorator
Commercial Artist	Panel Operator	Television Broadcasting
Draftsperson	Photography	Landscape Gardner
Occupations		

Trade

Cook	Milliner	Upholsterer
Coppersmith	Painter and Decorator	Tailor
French Polisher	Pastrycook	Wall and Floor Tiler
Gardener	Scientific Instrument Maker	Wood Turner
Hairdresser	Signwriter	
Jeweller	Stone Mason	

Other

Actor	Director TV & Film	Musician
Advertising Occupations	Display Person	Music Teacher
Animator	Diversional Therapist	Panel Operator
Announcer	Dressmaker	Piano Tuner
Art Restorer	Fashion Co-ordinator	Producer TV and Film
Beauty Care	Film Equipment Operator	Radio Announcer
Book Editor	Florist	Screen Printer
Commercial Artist	Jeweller	Script Writer
Conservator	Journalist	Sculptor
Copywriter	Make-up Artist	Ticket Writing
Cosmetician	Model	Wood Carver

BUSINESS

Business interest means that you like meeting people, talking, discussing and working with others. Career areas could include law, politics, buying and selling. You could undertake a career as a travel agent, shopkeeper, executive or manager.

Degree/Diploma

Accountant	Clerk	Public Relations Officer
Administrator	Home Economist	Publisher
Advertising Executives	Hotel/Motel Manager	Solicitor
Banker	Industrial Officer	Travel Agent
Barrister	Personnel Officer	

Certificate

Advertising Occupations	Home Economist	Purchasing Officer
Banking Occupations	Hotel/Motel Manager	Retail Manager
Clerk	Insurance Agent	Sales Representative
Demonstrator	Personnel Officer	Stock and Station Agent

Trade

Butcher	Hairdresser	Waiting
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Other

Advertising Occupations	Fashion Co-ordinator	Passenger Service Officer
Auctioneer	Fast Food Sales Assistant	Pet Shop Assistant
Automotive Part Sales	Dispensary Assistant	Public Relations Officer
Car Sales Representative	Florist	Publisher
Cashier	Hardware Sales Assistant	Sales Representative
Checkout Operator	Insurance Agent	Shop Assistant
Clerk	Law Clerk	Travel Consultant
Fashion Buyer	Newsagent	

OFFICE

An interest in office work means you like working indoors on clerical tasks, which involve organising yourself and being accurate. It could involve planning and controlling. Clerical jobs such as secretary, office worker, receptionist, bank clerk or computer operator are in this category. An interest in office work also means you may like to work with numbers and do calculations in a financial or statistical occupation.

Degree/Diploma

Accountant	Actuary	Administrator
Agricultural Economist	Archivist	Banker
Barrister	Clerk	Company Secretary
Computer Programmer	Diplomat	Economist
Hospital Administrator	Hotel Manager	Industrial Relations
Insurance Occupations	Librarian	Local Government Occupations
Mathematician	Medical Records Administrator	Nurse Administrator
Personnel Officer	Private Secretary	Public Service Careers
Publisher	Purchasing Officer	School Principal
Statistician	Stockbroker	Systems Analyst
Travel Agent		

Certificate

Assistant Accountant	Hotel/Motel manager	Private Secretary
Administrator	Insurance Clerk	Public Service Clerk
Advertising Occupations	Library Assistant	Real Estate Agent
Banking Occupations	Library Technician	Retail Clerk
Customs Agent	Local Government Clerk	
Hospital Administrator	Personnel Clerk	

Other

Banking Occupations	Data Entry Operator	Telephonist
Book Editor	Hansard Reporter	Tracer
Clerical Assistant	Postal Clerk	Word Processor Operator
Computer operator	Railway Station Assistant	Law Clerk
Court Attendant	Receptionist	Customs Clerk
Court Reporter	Shipping Clerk	



PEOPLE CONTACT

An interest in people contact means that you like to work closely with people and you are possibly concerned about social welfare. The work of teachers, nurses, police officers, and welfare workers involves a great deal of personal contact. An interest in working with people can also include jobs such as sales, cashiers, waiters and secretaries.

Degree/Diploma

Anthropologist	Occupational Therapist	Librarian
Art Teacher	Optometrist	Nurse
Audiologist	Personnel Manager	Nurse Educator
Barrister	Pharmacist	Special Remedial Teacher
Child-care Assistant	Physiotherapist	Sociologist
Counsellor	Pre-school Teacher	Speech Pathologist
Dentist	Probation Parole Officer	Teacher
Doctor	Psychiatric Nurse	Welfare Worker
Hotel Manager	Psychologist	Interpreter
Industrial Relations Officer	Rehabilitation Counsellor	Social Worker

Certificate

Audiometry	Hotel/Motel Manager	Personnel Clerk
Banking Occupations	Insurance Agent	Welfare Worker
Child-care Assistant	Library Assistant	
Hospital Administrator	Nurse Aide	

Trade

Waiting

Other

Ambulance Officer	Gym Instructor	Receptionist
Banking Occupations	Insurance Agent	Recreation Worker
Bar Attendant	Minister	Sales Assistant
Beautician	Model	Steward/stewardness
Checkout Operator	Physical Fitness Instructor	Telephonist
Dental Chairside Assistant	Police Officer	Tour Guide
Divisional Therapist	Prison Officer	Usher
Flight Attendant	Public Relations Officer	

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