

Job Aid

Putting Your Strengths to Use

Purpose: *Use this job aid as a guide to the kinds of strengths required for a variety of career paths.*

Instructions for use: To use this tool, examine the attributes in the "Strengths" column. If you have some of the listed strengths, you may want to investigate some careers listed in the "Possible Career Choices" column.

Strengths and Possible Career Choices

Strengths	Possible Career Choices
Mechanical know-how and machinery operation, ability to build things using specific tools, problem solving, working outdoors	Architectural and civil drafter Surgical technologist Firefighter Correctional officer Machinist Automobile mechanic Heavy truck driver Carpenter
Math and science, technical problem solving, medicine, computer applications or programming, an inquisitive nature	Conservation scientist Chemist Financial analyst Biomedical engineer Microbiologist Food scientist Physician's assistant Veterinarian Pharmacist

Strengths	Possible Career Choices
Music, drama, or art; writing stories or poems; music performance; acting; creative pursuits	Commercial designer Reporter Editor Composer Writer Film editor Photographer Floral designer
Teaching, helping others, caring for the sick, community service, an understanding and sympathetic nature	Teacher Nurse Rehabilitation counselor Physical therapist Teaching assistant Special education counselor Paramedic Dental hygienist
A competitive spirit, influencing others, selling, motivating others, results oriented	Coach Lawyer Manager (farm, financial, sales, marketing, construction) Cosmetologist Real estate sales agent

Strengths	Possible Career Choices
Working with numbers or data, word processing or data input, statistics, detail oriented	Auditor Management analyst Air traffic controller Legal secretary Cashier Real estate appraiser Library assistant Medical records technician Receptionist

Course: Managing Your Career: Creating a Plan

Topic: Determining Your Strengths and Weaknesses

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