

## O\*NET Interest Profiler

The **Interest Profiler** questions describe work activities that some people do at their jobs. Read each question carefully and decide whether or not you would like to do the activity.

TRY NOT TO THINK ABOUT:

1. whether you have enough education or training to perform the activity, or
2. how much money you would make performing the activity.
3. simply think about whether you would "like" or "dislike" performing the work activity.

POINTS TO REMEMBER:

1. **THIS IS NOT A TEST!** There are no right or wrong answers to the questions. The goal is for you to learn more about your personal work-related interests.
  2. **THERE IS NO TIME LIMIT** for completing the questions. Take your time.
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1. Build kitchen cabinets

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

2. Guard money in an armored car

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

3. Study space travel

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

4. Make a map of the bottom of an ocean

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

5. Conduct a symphony orchestra

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

6. Write stories or articles for magazines

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

7. Teach an individual an exercise routine

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

8. Perform nursing duties in a hospital
  - Like the work activity
  - Unsure whether you would like the work activity
  - Dislike the work activity
  
9. Buy and sell stocks and bonds
  - Like the work activity
  - Unsure whether you would like the work activity
  - Dislike the work activity
  
10. Manage a retail store
  - Like the work activity
  - Unsure whether you would like the work activity
  - Dislike the work activity
  
11. Develop a spreadsheet using computer software
  - Like the work activity
  - Unsure whether you would like the work activity
  - Dislike the work activity
  
12. Proofread records or forms
  - Like the work activity
  - Unsure whether you would like the work activity
  - Dislike the work activity
  
13. Operate a dairy farm
  - Like the work activity
  - Unsure whether you would like the work activity
  - Dislike the work activity
  
14. Lay brick or tile
  - Like the work activity
  - Unsure whether you would like the work activity
  - Dislike the work activity
  
15. Study the history of past civilizations
  - Like the work activity
  - Unsure whether you would like the work activity
  - Dislike the work activity
  
16. Study animal behavior
  - Like the work activity
  - Unsure whether you would like the work activity
  - Dislike the work activity

17. Direct a play  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
18. Create dance routines for a show  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
19. Give CPR to someone who has stopped breathing  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
20. Help people with personal or emotional problems  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
21. Sell telephone and other communication equipment  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
22. Operate a beauty salon or barber shop  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
23. Use a computer program to generate customer bills  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
24. Schedule conferences for an organization  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
25. Monitor a machine on an assembly line  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity

26. Repair household appliances  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
27. Develop a new medicine  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
28. Plan a research study  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
29. Write books or plays  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
30. Play a musical instrument  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
31. Teach children how to read  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
32. Work with mentally disabled children  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
33. Sell merchandise over the telephone  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
34. Run a stand that sells newspapers and magazines  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity

35. Keep accounts payable/receivable for an office  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
36. Load computer software into a large computer network  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
37. Drive a taxi cab  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
38. Install flooring in houses  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
39. Study ways to reduce water pollution  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
40. Develop a new medical treatment or procedure  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
41. Perform comedy routines in front of an audience  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
42. Perform as an extra in movies, plays, or television shows  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
43. Teach an elementary school class  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity

44. Give career guidance to people  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
45. Give a presentation about a product you are selling  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
46. Buy and sell land  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
47. Transfer funds between banks using a computer  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
48. Organize and schedule office meetings  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
49. Raise fish in a fish hatchery  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
50. Build a brick walkway  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
51. Determine the infection rate of a new disease  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
52. Study rocks and minerals  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity

53. Write reviews of books or plays  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
54. Compose or arrange music  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
55. Supervise the activities of children at a camp  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
56. Help people with family-related problems  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
57. Sell compact disks and tapes at a music store  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
58. Run a toy store  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
59. Use a word processor to edit and format documents  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
60. Operate a calculator  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
61. Assemble electronic parts  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity

62. Drive a truck to deliver packages to offices and homes  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
63. Diagnose and treat sick animals  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
64. Study the personalities of world leaders  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
65. Act in a movie  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
66. Dance in a Broadway show  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
67. Perform rehabilitation therapy  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
68. Do volunteer work at a non-profit organization  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
69. Manage the operations of a hotel  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
70. Sell houses  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity

71. Direct or transfer phone calls for a large organization  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
72. Perform office filing tasks  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
73. Paint houses  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
74. Enforce fish and game laws  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
75. Conduct chemical experiments  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
76. Conduct biological research  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
77. Draw pictures  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
78. Sing professionally  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
79. Help elderly people with their daily activities  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity

80. Teach children how to play sports  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
81. Sell candy and popcorn at sports events  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
82. Manage a supermarket  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
83. Compute and record statistical and other numerical data  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
84. Generate the monthly payroll checks for an office  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
85. Operate a grinding machine in a factory  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
86. Work on an offshore oil-drilling rig  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
87. Study the population growth of a city  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
88. Study whales and other types of marine life  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity

89. Perform stunts for a movie or television show  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
90. Create special effects for movies  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
91. Help disabled people improve their daily living skills  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
92. Teach sign language to people with hearing disabilities  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
93. Manage a department within a large company  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
94. Sell a soft drink product line to stores and restaurants  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
95. Take notes during a meeting  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
96. Keep shipping and receiving records  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity
97. Perform lawn care services  
\_\_\_ Like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
\_\_\_ Dislike the work activity

98. Assemble products in a factory  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
99. Investigate crimes  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
100. Study the movement of planets  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
101. Conduct a musical choir  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
102. Act in a play  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
103. Help people who have problems with drugs or alcohol  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
104. Help conduct a group therapy session  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
105. Sell refreshments at a movie theater  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
106. Sell hair-care products to stores and salons  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity

107. Calculate the wages of employees  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
108. Assist senior-level accountants in performing bookkeeping tasks  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
109. Catch fish as a member of a fishing crew  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
110. Refinish furniture  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
111. Examine blood samples using a microscope  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
112. Investigate the cause of a fire  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
113. Paint sets for plays  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
114. Audition singers and musicians for a musical show  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
115. Help families care for ill relatives  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity

116. Provide massage therapy to people  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
117. Start your own business  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
118. Negotiate business contracts  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
119. Type labels for envelopes and packages  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
120. Inventory supplies using a hand-held computer  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
121. Fix a broken faucet  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
122. Do cleaning or maintenance work  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
123. Study the structure of the human body  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
124. Develop psychological profiles of criminals  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity

125. Design sets for plays

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

126. Announce a radio show

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

127. Plan exercises for disabled patients

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

128. Counsel people who have a life-threatening illness

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

129. Represent a client in a lawsuit

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

130. Negotiate contracts for professional athletes

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

131. Develop an office filing system

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

132. Keep records of financial transactions for an organization

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

133. Maintain the grounds of a park

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

134. Operate a machine on a production line  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
135. Develop a way to better predict the weather  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
136. Work in a biology lab  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
137. Write scripts for movies or television shows  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
138. Write a song  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
139. Teach disabled people work and living skills  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
140. Organize activities at a recreational facility  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
141. Be responsible for the operation of a company  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
142. Market a new line of clothing  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity

143. Record information from customers applying for charge accounts

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

144. Photocopy letters and reports

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

145. Spray trees to prevent the spread of harmful insects

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

146. Test the quality of parts before shipment

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

147. Invent a replacement for sugar

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

148. Study genetics

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

149. Perform jazz or tap dance

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

150. Direct a movie

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

151. Take care of children at a day-care center

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

152. Organize field trips for disabled people  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
153. Sell newspaper advertisements  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
154. Sell merchandise at a department store  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
155. Record rent payments  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
156. Enter information into a database  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
157. Operate a motorboat to carry passengers  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
158. Repair and install locks  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
159. Study the governments of different countries  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
160. Do research on plants or animals  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity

161. Sing in a band  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
162. Design artwork for magazines  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
163. Assist doctors in treating patients  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
164. Work with juveniles on probation  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
165. Sell automobiles  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
166. Manage a clothing store  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
167. Keep inventory records  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
168. Maintain employee records  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity
169. Set up and operate machines to make products  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity

170. Put out forest fires

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

171. Do laboratory test to identify diseases

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

172. Study weather conditions

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

173. Edit movies

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

174. Pose for a photographer

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

175. Provide physical therapy to people recovering from an injury

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

176. Teach a high-school class

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

177. Sell restaurant franchises to individuals

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

178. Sell computer equipment in a store

- Like the work activity
- Unsure whether you would like the work activity
- Dislike the work activity

179. Stamp, sort, and distribute mail for an organization  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity

180. Handle customers' bank transactions  
 Like the work activity  
 Unsure whether you would like the work activity  
 Dislike the work activity

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