

Your Interests and Careers that Suit Your Interests



Introduction

There are numerous exiting and rewarding career opportunities in transportation. But more importantly, which transportation careers match your interests? You are more likely to be successful and fulfilled in careers that match your interests and you enjoy doing. Through this activity we will find out what kinds of careers you might like, and whether or not any of them are in transportation.

Instructions

It is recommended you complete the <u>Transportation Exploration Activity</u> before conducting this activity. If you have completed this activity, refer back your video notes about the jobs/careers you saw and heard that make up the U.S. transportation system.

- Go to the <u>Transportation Youth Academy</u> website. Click on the <u>Exploring Your Career</u> <u>Interests link.</u>
- Use the following materials to complete this activity: <u>Personality Counts from Career Cafe</u> and <u>Explore Your Next Move - from Career Cafe</u> worksheets located on the <u>Transportation</u> <u>Youth Academy</u> website.
- 3. Also on the Transportation Youth Academy website, scroll down to the MyNextMove section where the ONet Interest Profiler is located.
- 4. The Profiler is a tool that helps you identify your interests using Holland's six personality types. Review these personality types using <u>Personality Counts from Career Cafe</u>. The Profiler also helps you identify which careers you might want to explore based on your interests. To do so, you will move through a series of questions.
- 5. To begin, click on the Next button at the bottom of the screen.



- 6. Read about how the Profiler works, then click on the Next button.
- 7. Continue through the Profiler by reading each screen and following any directions provided. When you are finished with each screen, click on the Next button at the bottom of the screen. You can also go back to the previous screen by clicking on the Back button.

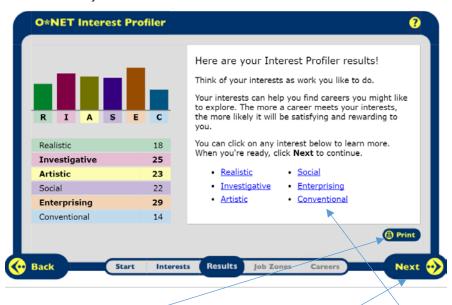




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8. Once you complete all the questions in the Interest Profiler you will be presented with your results. What do you think? Does this look/sound like you? If not, you may need to go back and see how you've answered some questions and make changes. Also, this is just one tool for discovering your interests and no one tool can completely pinpoint all of your interests. But perhaps there are some interests listed here you feel strongly reflects you and what interests you.



- To learn more about an interest in your profile, click on each interest title.
- Print your profile to save it. If you do not have a printer, write down the list of interests.
- 9. Next you will explore careers that match your interests. Continue moving through the Interest Profiler tool by click on the Next button, reading and following the directions on each screen and clicking on the Next button when you are ready to move to the next screen.
- 10. Soon you will arrive at the Select a Job Zone screen. Click on the job zone button you think applies to you. If you need to review the job zone description again, click on the job zone description link.

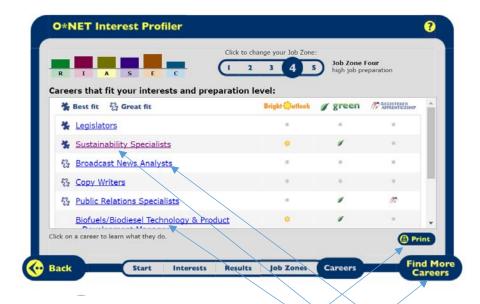




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11. Continue moving through the Interest Profiler screens until you eventually you end up at a screen that shows you a list of careers that fit your interests and the preparation level you have chosen.



- You may print this report by clicking on the Print button or if you do not have a
 printer you may use the <u>Explore Your Next Move</u> from Career Cafe worksheet to
 write down key information about the career.
- You may learn more about a particular career by clicking on the name of the career.
 Fill out key information on the career using the <u>Explore Your Next Move from Career Cafe</u> worksheet.
- Are there any careers here you think would be included in the <u>Transportation</u> Industry now or in the future? Those that may be involved in the planning, design, construction, manufacturing, operation, and repair and maintenance of any aspect of the transportation system?
- Do you want to find more careers that match a particular interest in your profile? Click on the Find More Careers button at the bottom of the page.
- Continue to move through the Interest Profiler until you've discovered careers you think
 may interest you and have completed a <u>Explore Your Next Move</u> from Career Cafe
 worksheet for each one.