

When you have taken all 7 of your self-assessments, begin your research.

For each test, return to your results and review them.

Record your 'top 3'. These may be the top 3 career matches, or the top 3 traits according to each test.

You are looking for areas of overlap- the more different tests tell you that you would be good in a particular career, the more likely that is to be correct.

Career Cluster Survey - Do this one LAST

- More information below!

Career Key- Do this one FIRST

- Write down your top 2 interests. If you have 3, select two by checking the box and make a note about why you chose those 2.
- Click 'view careers' and choose any 3 that look interesting and contain your top 2 interests (listed to the far right). The careers should already be sorted so that the closest matches are near the top, but if they are not, click the green arrows to the right of the last column. When you have selected 3 that match your interests, write them in your notes.

Basic Skills Survey- Do this one SECOND

- Record your top 3 skills in your notes.
- Select the blue link 'Review Matching Careers' under the graph. Careers will be listed by how well they match your skills.
- Record the top 3 careers in your notes.

Interest Profiler- Do this one THIRD

- Go directly to the 'Matching Careers' link
- Choose any 3 careers with the highest match, and write them in your notes. (You should have several 5 star matches.)
- If there are MANY careers that match, choose 3 that seem most interesting to you, or that have been suggested by your other tests.

Work Values Sorter- Do this on FOURTH

- Click on the date of your most recent test. It should display your top 2 values.
- Record your top 2 values in your notes, then click 'view careers'.
- Click the green arrows to the right of the last column, to re-sort your results by values. (Check that the top 3 careers have both of your top 2 values)
- Record the top 3 careers in your notes.

Transferable Skills Checklist- Do this FIFTH

- View your list of transferable skills. There are many, and they are not in any order, so click 'view careers'.

- The careers are already in order with your best matches at the top. Record the top 3 careers in your notes.

Ability Profiler- Do this one SIXTH

- If you were unable to take the Ability Profiler, try these fixes:
 - Make sure that you have Flash player installed on your computer (the library computers all do)
 - Enter the password 'begin' when prompted
 - Good luck!

Career Cluster Survey - Do this one LAST

- Once you have created a master list of jobs, skills and interests, you are ready to begin research.
- View your results. If you have a 100% match, that is the cluster of careers where you will probably be most happy. If you don't have a 100% match, choose your highest match. Record your highest match in your notes, and click on it.
- Thoroughly read the information on your career cluster. You are looking for overlap- any careers, skills, or interests that were also results in your other tests.
- Look on the right hand side and select 'view more careers' in the 'Related Careers' section. You are looking for a match with any career you have already written in your notes. (Ignore the red circles or half circles- this just tells you whether information is available through Choices360.com)
- Select 2 careers that overlap with your master list.
- If no careers overlap with your master list, go back to your cluster, and select the top right box, 'Pathways in this cluster.' Read through each pathway until you find one that matches your master list.
- Whenever you have located 2 careers that match your master list, write them down in your notes.

Now that you have reviewed the results of all of your self-assessments and recorded them in your notes, select the 'home' icon

Next, select the 'Explore Careers' icon, and begin to explore the 2 top careers you have chosen.

You will need to hand write or type a full page of research for each career. You should include these categories of information:

- What exactly you would do all day, if this were your career.
- What skills you will need to be successful in this career. Include interests, values, talents, AND education including school, training, and certificates required to find work in this area.

- What conditions you would work under in this career. What hours will you work? In what locations will you need to live? Will you work outside or inside, is the work physically challenging, dirty, or dangerous?
- What costs and benefits are there to this career financially. How much can you expect to earn, and what are the hidden costs of the job?
- Any other useful, interesting, or relevant information you would need to know to prepare to someday have this career.