



Motivators

An Evaluation of Motivational Styles

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Why is Independently Tested Accuracy of this Assessment Important?



A recent review revealed a **significant majority of assessments available today were absent the studies & reporting to confirm their accuracy**. Of the small minority which claimed reporting, the significant majority of those were conducted privately; oftentimes by the assessment provider itself, rather than an objective and scientifically qualified third party. However, we are leading by example in this otherwise unregulated industry. How are we doing this? By submitting our assessments to an objective, independently conducted battery of tests: Construct Validity, Reliability, and Disparate Impact - all by a qualified scientific authority (*Assessment Standards Institute*). Our goal? Ensuring the trust and confidence of our users by producing the industry's most accurate and class protected assessments. Please turn to the last page of this report to learn more on this topic, and the steps we've taken to safeguard the scientific accuracy of this assessment.

About This Report

Research shows that the most successful people share the common trait of self-awareness. They're able to more quickly recognize situations that will make them more successful. As such, it's easier for them **to find ways of achieving objectives that resonate and align with their motivations**. Those who understand their natural motivators better are far more likely to pursue the right opportunities, for the right reasons, and get the results they desire.




Motivation helps influence behavior and action. It is vital for superior performance to ensure that your motivations are satisfied by what you do to drive your passion, reduce fatigue, and inspire you.

The Motivators assessment is the result of Dr. Eduard Spranger's and Gordon Allport's combined research into what drives and motivates an individual. **The dimensions of value discovered between these two researchers identify the reasons that drive an individual to utilize their talents in the unique way they do.** These pages will help you understand your motivations and drivers, providing a clear course on how to maximize your performance by achieving better alignment with your passion for what you do and your behavior.

The Elements of the Motivation Index

This Motivation Index is unique to the marketplace in that it examines seven independent and unique aspects of motivation. Most similar instruments only examine six dimensions of motivation by combining the Individualistic and Power into one dimension. This assessment remains true to the original works and models of two of the most significant researchers in this field, thus delivering to you a profile that truly helps you understand your own unique drivers.

The Seven Dimensions of Motivation measured in this report are:

-  **Aesthetic** - A drive for balance, harmony and form.
-  **Economic** - A drive for a return on investment.
-  **Individualistic** - A drive to stand out as independent and unique.
-  **Power** - A drive to be in control or have influence.
-  **Altruistic** - A drive to help others at the expense of self.
-  **Regulatory** - A drive to establish order, routine and structure.
-  **Theoretical** - A drive for knowledge, learning and understanding.

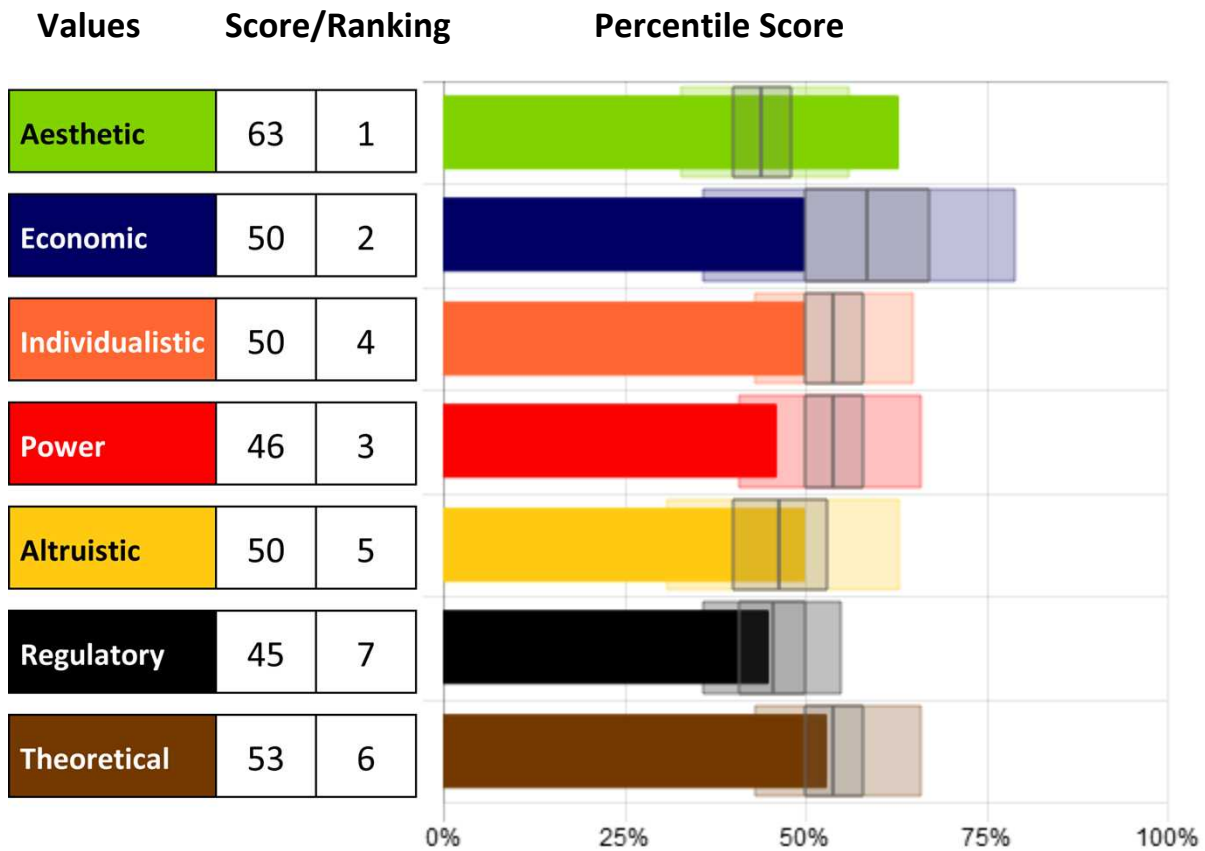
A Closer Look at the Seven Dimension Scores

Each descriptor below reveals your preference for shaping behavior and indicates what energizes you.

Motivator	Low Score Energized by...	High Score Energized by...
Aesthetic	Grounded Pragmatic and tangible approaches that bring concrete and reliable results.	Eccentric Achieving equilibrium and harmony between the world around you and yourself.
Economic	Satisfied Less competitive approaches and being more satisfied with what you already have.	Self-Mastered Self-interest, economic gains, and achieving real-world returns on efforts.
Individualistic	Secure Not seeking the limelight, keeping ideas to yourself, and less likelihood of self-promotion.	Unrestricted Expressing your autonomy and freedom from others' ideas and protocols.
Power	Submissive Supporting other people's efforts and a less focused approach to owning your own personal space.	Domineering Directing and controlling people, environments, and personal spaces.
Altruistic	Self-Focused Focusing on personal wants and needs and taking a more suspicious stance towards the moves of others.	Pushover Helping and eliminating pain and suffering of others at personal cost.
Regulatory	Defiant Remaining independent of as opposed to depending on the restrictive ideas of others.	Black & White Establishing routine, order, and setting boundaries for yourself and others.
Theoretical	Dis-Interested A more dismissive view of gathering new information and discovery while relying more on your natural instincts and past experiences for answers.	Scholarly Activities towards knowing everything that can be known about what you believe to be important and truthful.



Summary of Sample's Motivation



1. The **lightly colored, shaded area** for each Motivator highlights **the majority of the population's scores**. This means that if you took a normal sample of motivator scores and ranked the scores from 0 – 100, you can expect that a majority of the scores would fall inside the shaded area. This indicates if most of the population scores higher or lower in the dimension. Are you similarly driven in your Motivators as most others are?
2. The **norm box** (small box plot) represents the **AVERAGE** scoring range. The scores inside this box represent the scores of people who are **more like everyone else** (therefore, it is considered **normal**). When your score falls inside the norm box, it is **situational**; you consistently ranked the statements of that dimension **both high and low**.
3. The **line in the center** of the box plot represents the **median score**. Like the median in a road, the median divides the range of scores into equal halves. 50% of the scores are above the median line and 50% of the scores fall below the median line.
4. The **colored bar is aligned to your score from 1-100**. These reveal the **level of importance** of that motivator to you. Higher numbers mean you consistently ranked the motivator as **more important** & lower numbers mean the motivator was consistently ranked **less important**. The number also reveals placement in **Very Low, Low, Average, High and Very High**. The people who score within each group share common traits and descriptions (i.e. those who have *Very Low* scores will share common values with one another).
5. Your **ranking reveals how influential the Motivators are to your behavior and decisions in order from 1-7**. Keep in mind that some Motivators have relationships with other Motivators that strengthen them, but this is a true 1 through 7 ranking based on which are individually most impactful.

Details of Sample's Motivation



Aesthetic - Very High

You tend to think “alternatively” and will likely seek personal fulfillment, creative alternatives, and peace of mind rather than the status quo.



Economic - Average

You will balance yourself between being satisfied with what you have and a need for more.



Individualistic - Average

You can both lead and follow and can be flexible between taking a stand or sitting quietly.



Power - Low

You are a better collaborator and won't likely seek position power or authoritative roles.



Altruistic - Average

You are able to balance your own needs and the needs of others on the team.



Regulatory - Average

You understand structure but will not be bound by another's idea if it does not work for you.



Theoretical - Average

You can rely on both new information and what has worked in the past when making decisions.

Sample's Motivator Word Matrix

Eccentric	Self-Mastered	Unrestricted	Domineering	Pushover	Black & White	Scholarly
Impractical	Maximized	Independent	Forceful	Sacrificial	Fixed	Fact-Finder
Unconventional	Competitive	Self-Reliant	Authoritative	Accommodating	Systemic	Studios
Divergent	Incentivized	Creative	Controlling	Obliging	Orderly	Investigative
Imaginative	Practical	Balanced	Directive	Supportive	Disciplined	Inquisitive
Sensible	Judicious	Cooperative	Influential	Helpful	Open-Minded	Reflective
Realistic	Relaxed	Accommodating	Supportive	Self-Protective	Flexible	Street Smart
Practical	Aloof	Supportive	Yielding	Suspicious	Independent	Intuitive
Real World	Apathetic	Apprehensive	Passive	Distrusting	Spontaneous	Surface Analyzer
Grounded	Satisfied	Secure	Submissive	Self-Focused	Defiant	Dis-interested
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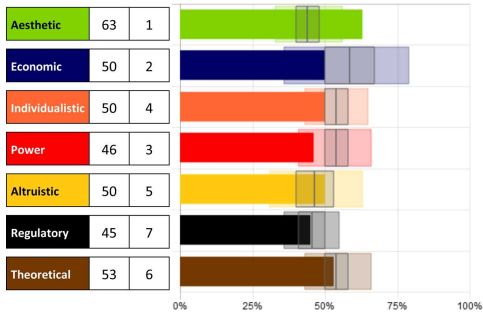
This charting of your descriptors provides a better sense of what drives your motivation.

The motivator word matrix translates your numeric score into a one-word description and places each word in a relative position to other descriptors.

By labeling your numeric score with one word you can better understand, describe and locate your motivator orientation.



Your Aesthetic Motivator - Very High



The Aesthetic Motivator: Strong desire and need to achieve equilibrium between the world around us and ourselves (within) while creating a sustainable work/life balance between the two. Creative, imaginative, artsy, mystical and expressive, this style may redefine or resist real world approaches to current challenges.



Universal Assets:

- You support creativity in others and promote form and harmony in the work environment.
- You may like rewards that are not always attached to economic rewards, and may include other types of appreciation.
- You may prefer some solitary time to allow personal "re-balancing" or reflection.
- You will utilize creativity and artful expression to persuade or influence others.



Driving Intuitions:

- You support willingness to bring form or harmony to haphazard systems or workspace areas.
- You don't allow others to over-use or abuse your creative nature.
- You offer ample opportunity for adjustments in surroundings and approaches to getting things done.
- You allow for outside activities other than strictly work related all the time.



Critical Advantages:

- You will bring a creative outside view to discussions.
- For you, form may hold more interest than function.
- You enjoy bringing people together who share common interests.
- You are able to defuse a tense situation with a humorous quip or comment.



Growth Opportunities:

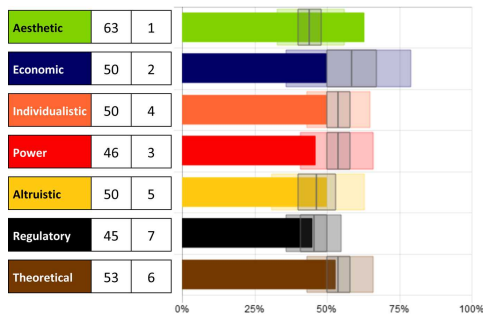
- You could use the creative mode as a safety blanket to avoid having to be overly practical.
- You may need to focus on the practical or economic side of an issue more frequently.
- You could benefit from being a little more pragmatic.
- Remember that it is OK that some don't appreciate artistry, balance or harmony as much as you.



Learning Paths:

- You link new knowledge to new ways to be creative or achieve better harmony and balance in work and life.
- You have the ability to connect training and development to other's needs and interests.
- As you learn new things in training or professional development, attempt to link those to your ability to see new or creative solutions in the future.

Your Economic Motivator - Average



The Economic Motivator: The motivation for security from self-interest, economic gains, and achieving real-world returns on personal ventures, personal resources, and focused energy. The preferred approach of this motivator is both a personal and a professional one with a focus on ultimate outcomes.



Universal Assets:

- This score should not be confused with average economic achievement. Many executives and others who score in this area may have already achieved substantial economic goals of their own. As a result, money itself may no longer motivate like it used to.
- The pattern of responses when compared to others in the business community indicates that there would be no visible "greed factor" in the interaction you have with others.
- The drive and motivational factors which tend to lead people who score like you should be measured against other peaks on the Values graph.
- Since the majority of people score near the mean, this indicates an economic motivation much like that of the average American businessperson.



Driving Intuitions:

- Remember that your score range is near the national mean for Economic drive and that you don't score as an extremist on this scale.



Critical Advantages:

- What motivates people who score like you? It's more than money alone; it's some of the other peaks that occur on the Values graph.
- You are a good team player in helping others with projects and initiatives without requiring an economic return of your own.
- You are not an extremist and therefore a stabilizing force when economic issues emerge.
- You are able to balance both needs and perspectives of those with substantially different economic drives.



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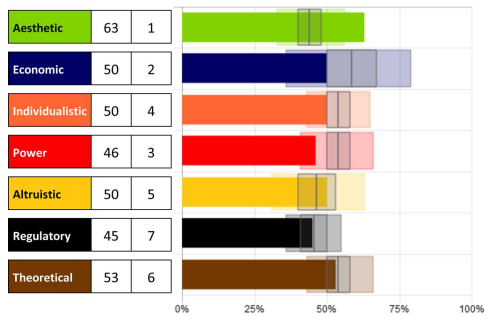
- You should assist in those areas or projects where there may be greater financial reward.
- You should allow space for those with higher economic drive factors to demonstrate their strengths or voice their ideas.
- If there is already a level of economic comfort, you may need to allow greater voice to those who haven't yet achieved their own economic comfort zone.
- There may be times when you may need to take a stronger stand on some issues related to economic drives or incentives.



Learning Paths:

- You typically don't come to the training session asking, 'How much more am I going to earn as a result of this course?'
- You may be somewhat flexible in preferences both cooperative and competitive learning activities.
- Because your score is near the national mean, please check other Values graph peaks and troughs to obtain additional professional development insights.
- Your score is like those who engage in training and development activities in a supportive manner.

Your Individualistic Motivator - Average



The Individualistic Motivator: Need to be seen as autonomous, unique, independent, and to stand apart from the crowd. This is the drive to be socially independent and have opportunity for freedom of personal expression apart from being told what to do.



Universal Assets:

- You show the ability to take a leadership role when asked and also to be supportive team member when asked.
- You are generally not considered an extremist on ideas, methods, or issues in the workplace.
- You have the ability to take a stand on an issue when necessary, to yield position when necessary, and to do both with equal sincerity.
- Those who score like you would probably not be considered controversial in their workplace ideas or transactions.



Driving Intuitions:

- Remember that you score like those with a high social flexibility, that is, you can assume an appropriate leadership role for a team, or be a supportive team member as the situation requires.
- Remember that you show the ability to get along with a wide variety of others, without alienating those with opinions in extreme positions on the spectrum.
- You act as a balancing or stabilizing agent in a variety of team environments.
- You bring an Individualistic drive typical of many professionals, i.e., near the national mean.



Critical Advantages:

- You are able to take a stand with emphasis, or to be a more quiet member supporting a position.
- You may be considered flexible and versatile without being an extremist.
- You are able to see both sides of the positions from those with higher and lower Individualistic scores.
- You are able to follow or lead as asked.



Growth Opportunities:

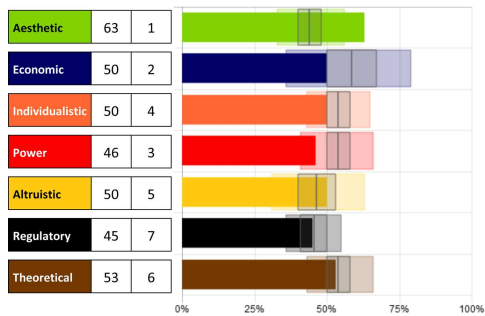
- Without necessarily picking sides, you may need to take a stand on some issues related to individual agendas.
- To gain additional insight, you should examine other values drives to determine the importance of this Individualistic drive factor.
- You should allow space for those with higher Individualistic drives to express themselves in appropriate ways.
- You should avoid criticizing those with higher or lower Individualistic drives, since all Values positions are positions deserving respect.



Learning Paths:

- You are able to be a flexible participant in training and development programs.
- You tend to enjoy both team-oriented and individual or independent learning activities.
- You will be a supportive member of the training experience from the viewpoint of this Values dimension.
- Because this score is near the national mean, please check other higher and lower Values areas to obtain additional insight into learning preferences.

Your Power Motivator - Low



The Power Motivator: Being seen as a leader, while having influence and control over one's environment and success. Competitiveness and control are often associated with those scoring higher in this motivational dimension.



Universal Assets:

- You have the ability to take or leave the control-factors of group leadership roles.
- You are able to understand the needs of those on the team who are highly competitive, as well as those who tend to be more cooperative.
- A score near the mean indicates that the Political (power seeking) drive is not your primary motivational factor.
- You may be seen as a stabilizing force in day-to-day team operations.



Driving Intuitions:

- Don't forget that you have the ability to be a stabilizing agent between high-control and high-support on special team functions and initiatives.
- You bring a power seeking drive typical of many business professionals, since your score is very near the national mean on this scale.
- Give your input to the team in order to gain a middle-of-the-road insight and understanding of work related issues.
- Review other Values drives that might be higher or lower than the Political score in this report in order to gain a greater understanding of specific keys to managing and motivating.



Critical Advantages:

- You bring flexibility to the team. Able to lead when asked, but able to support when asked as well.
- You are a stabilizing force on the team.
- You are able to appreciate the needs of both the higher and lower Political individuals on the team.
- You are perceived by others on the team as neither dictatorial nor dependent with regard to team projects and goals.



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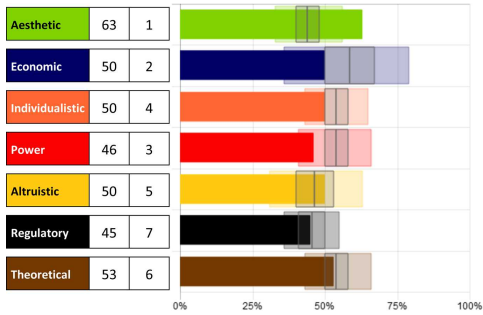
- You may need to shift gears into either a more supportive role or a greater leadership role at times.
- When issues of team leadership emerge, you may need to take a more visible stand on some problem-solving situations.
- Examine other Values drives in this report in order to gain increased understanding of areas for continuous improvement.



Learning Paths:

- You score like those who are supportive in a variety of work activities and development.
- You will respond with flexibility to either cooperative or competitive team activities.
- You score like those who participate openly in training activities without trying to dominate the event.
- You show ability to lead a training event as well as support and participate.

Your Altruistic Motivator - Average



The Altruistic Motivator: An expression of the need or energy to benefit others at the expense of self. At times, there's genuine sincerity in this dimension to help others, but not always. Oftentimes an intense level within this dimension is more associated with low self-worth.



Universal Assets:

- You are able to see the points of view from both the higher and lower Altruistic score locations.
- You have a good sense for when to freely help others and when to say "No."
- You will not create an imbalance between your own needs and those of others.
- You can be a good mediator between those who give too much and those who don't give enough.



Driving Intuitions:

- You are practical in how much to help others versus other objectives.
- You possess a healthy balance between a self focus and a focus on others.
- You will strike a moderate level of giving and taking in interactions with others.
- You have a very typical level of appreciation for others relative to the general working world.



Critical Advantages:

- You have a solid balanced view of helping others without doing everything for them.
- You possess a realistic and practical approach to helping others help themselves.
- You appreciate the need to help others without sacrificing one's own self too much.
- You are willing to pitch in and help others as needed.



Growth Opportunities:

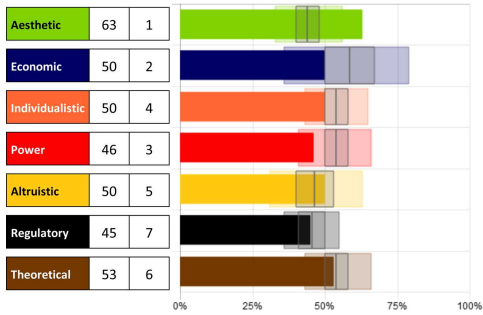
- You will be more influenced by other motivations in the report that are higher and when connected with, will return much more passion and drive.
- You might benefit from taking more of a lead, as opposed to waiting for others to lead.
- You need to know that efforts to help others are practical and deliver a business benefit as well.
- You should respect those who may not share your interest in understanding or benefiting others.



Learning Paths:

- You would be more motivated by incorporating other motivators that are higher in drive and score locations.
- You are flexible between learning with a team or learning independently.
- You enjoy learning that highlights both your own personal gain and some altruistic aspect as well.
- You are likely supportive of the trainers themselves.

Your Regulatory Motivator - Average



The Regulatory Motivator: A need to establish order, routine and structure. This motivation is to promote a black and white mindset and a traditional approach to problems and challenges through standards, rules, and protocols to color within the lines.



Universal Assets:

- You think flexibility and creativity are good as long as they are not out of control.
- You are likely to have your own specific "way" of doing many things.
- You respect tradition a lot.
- You believe in sticking to what works.



Driving Intuitions:

- Work quickly to correct missing needs or inaccuracies to maintain productivity.
- You should avoid disrupting your schedules and flow unnecessarily.
- You prefer a structured and routine environment to work in.
- Be patient when introducing new concepts or procedures. Give ample to adapt.



Critical Advantages:

- You maintain timelines and meet deadlines.
- You maintain focus throughout projects.
- You are efficient and effective in organizing tasks and most work.
- You take pride in things that support tradition like national history, honor, duty.



Growth Opportunities:

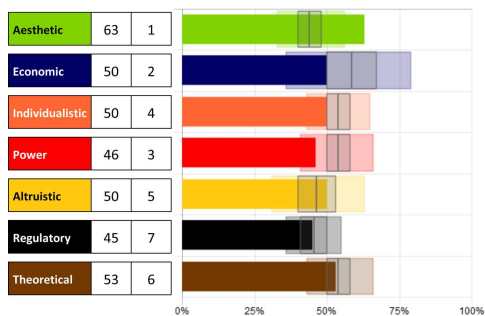
- Explore a little. Discovering new ways to do things can be rewarding.
- You shouldn't get too hung up on the rules.
- You should realize that others have their own way of doing things too and be open to that.
- When in a high change environment, remember to be flexible.



Learning Paths:

- You will prefer learning activities that are structured and detailed.
- You are a well disciplined learner.
- You like to understand the why behind the what when learning new things.

Your Theoretical Motivator - Average



The Theoretical Motivator: The desire to uncover, discover, and recover the "truth." This need to gain knowledge for knowledge sake is the result of an "itchy" brain. Rational thinking, reasoning and problem solving are important to this dimension. This is all about the "need" to know why.



Universal Assets:

- You like to develop quick utilities or procedures that are a new way to look at existing job responsibilities.
- You may prefer learning-based events or conferences over a small economic incentive.
- You may be attracted to new and cutting-edge ideas and concepts.
- You are willing to take risks to learn something new.



Driving Intuitions:

- Identify your interests and seek related information. Topical mail, brochures, and info-sheets... don't throw them into the recycle bin.
- You can be a constructive critic for new ideas or when evaluating existing projects and protocol.
- If there is a learning-based event to be planned, be certain you are involved. If there is an external learning-based event on the calendar, be certain you have the opportunity to attend.
- You sometimes prefer incentives or bonuses are earned as tickets to a special event: Consider cultural events that are not just sports related.



Critical Advantages:

- When others (internal or external) have a question, even if you aren't familiar with it, you can usually create solutions.
- You have a stable, knowledge-driven ethic.
- Others on the team may seek you out to answer their questions because they know of your strong knowledge base.
- You know a little about most everything and are conversant about it.



Growth Opportunities:

- You score like some who need coaching on time management.
- Your sense of urgency may vacillate, depending on the intellectual importance you assign to the issue.
- You may be somewhat selfish at times in sharing ideas with others, until others have established their own technical credibility.
- You don't rush from one learning experience to another. You make certain there are some practical applications.



Learning Paths:

- You score like those who may have their own on-going personal development program already in progress.
- You enjoy learning even for its own sake and will be supportive of most training and development endeavors.
- You can be depended upon to do your homework... thoroughly and accurately.
- You are actively engaged in learning both on and off the job.

MOTIVATORS ADAPTABILITY

Adapting to another’s Motivational preference can be quite difficult! Sometimes Motivations are not readily observable, or may be disguised in behavior that doesn’t align to them. A key way to understand another’s Motivations is to pay attention to the things they value, the way they speak, and where they spend their time and attention (or other resources). What do you see that drives them? You can use some of these questions to guide your discovery; you may ask them or just observe. Once you know someone’s Motivators, you can interact with them in a more effective way.

<p>Aesthetic</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is beautiful to you? • How important is it for you that you can express yourself creatively? • Are form and aesthetics more important, or is functionality more important? • How important is work/life balance? • Do you find that you are more “head in the clouds” or more practical?
<p>Economic</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How important is winning for you? • What is a reasonable return on investment? • Do you generally think people have an agenda or want/need something from you? • Would you consider starting your own business or being an entrepreneur? • When you are faced with a situation do you first consider how it will affect you, or how it will affect others?
<p>Individualistic</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How important is it for you to be independent and autonomous? • If you could do anything you wanted today, what would it be? • Do you think people generally see the world the same way you do? • How do you feel about teamwork and collaboration? • What does “freedom” mean to you?
<p>Power</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What role do you typically take in a group? • How important is it for you to be in charge? • How would you motivate others to take action? • What kinds of things do you like to have control over? • Do you take initiative, or do you prefer direction before acting?
<p>Altruistic</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do you have a hard time saying no, or feel overwhelmed and spread too thin? • What is considered a reasonable amount of assistance or help for others? • Would you more likely give to anyone who needs it, or only to those who deserve it? • Do you tend to sacrifice your needs for the needs of others? • Do you feel like you need to do things for others to be valuable or loved?
<p>Regulatory</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is there a right way and a wrong way, or many ways to accomplish something? • How important is it for you to be right? • Are rules and regulations important to you? • How important is structure and process to you? • When you solve problems, do you prefer the tried and true approach or are you more flexible and open to options?
<p>Theoretical</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How important is it to understand all perspectives and details of a project/problem? • Do you consider yourself to be an expert in any field? • Would you rather spend time studying and reading, or just learn as you go? • What do you love about learning new things? • What do you think is most important – action or knowledge?

Guidelines to help you

1. The scores in this report are a snapshot in time. These scores represent your preferences (desires, such as being in control or not) at the time you completed the survey. These are not lifelong motivators from which you have no choice or power to influence.
2. There are no good or bad scores to have, but there are consequences. If you do not like the level of effort you feel toward your goals, how you are behaving toward others or how others are behaving toward you, you can influence them through intended behavior and emotions (with DISC).
3. The key is to understand your motivational preferences so you can move with the situation to encourage your own awareness, intentionality and growth.

What works?

- Decide what level of effort and intensity (energy) you want to use moving forward.
- Pick one simple behavior to focus on such as how long you take to think through a problem or how you endeavor to get what you need from someone.
- Make it easier to use your motivational orientation you have right now, rather than finding a greater or a more difficult motivational element.
- It is important to develop a practical understanding of your own motivational orientation, so you do not trick yourself into feeling you lack motivation. **We are all motivated**, but we may lack the “energy” (see your DISC graph) for the process of getting what we want.

What is proven not to work?

- Not starting or giving up. The way to get unstuck is not becoming extreme by exaggerating your efforts or stopping them altogether. Try doing something small and then look at the evidence.
- Getting too much information. Information may help to change your attitude and intention, but information alone does not work well to change your behaviors. Action is key.
- Wanting to get better at something is easy. Sticking with small changes is a different story.
- Avoid pursuing “ideal motivational activities or work.” Instead, improve your pursuit of vital work/activities using your natural motivational orientation within this report.



Tiny Steps, Big Results Plan

You are only a few behaviors away from making progress.

Where do I currently excel at work and what motivators are in play already?

Which motivators don't need any additional attention?

With which motivators am I currently struggling and need an extra boost?

Using my understanding of my motivational orientation, which types of additional motivations would work best for me right now?

Using my understanding of my motivational orientation, which types of additional motivations would not work for me right now?



Choose one harmful influence on your motivational orientation (take in small steps) to act on today. Then, practice and repeat.

Choose one positive influences on your motivational orientation (take in small steps) to act on today. Then, practice and repeat

We all are motivated to get better but we get stuck with the process we must go through to move toward what we want. How can I make the process of making progress smaller and simpler? List up to three (3).

So Now What?

This report is filled with information about your seven independent and unique aspects of motivation. You have a profile that truly helps you understand your own unique motivations and drivers and many suggestions in each of the seven motivators sections of this report, particularly the *Growth Opportunities*, for you to apply this valuable information.

Take the next step and begin with the actions outlined to make improvements in the specific motivator sections most important to you and your success. Do not put this report on a shelf or in a file. Use this report as a reference tool. There is a lot of information in it and it is not meant to be digested in just one reading.



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How to Assure Assessment Accuracy? Independent & Qualified Testing at Standards Set by the **APA** and **EEOC**

“...we applaud your efforts at making Motivators reliable and valid...” - Assessment Standards Institute

The Assessment Industry’s Past and Present

Assessments have been used since the mid-20th century, initially relied upon by Fortune 500s, calculated by highly skilled PhDs and produced by only a handful of trusted developers. With the advent of the internet in the 1990s, the ability to produce, market, and sell assessments became exponentially easier and less expensive. Since then, it has developed into a kind of “global cottage industry” with hundreds of new assessment developers, producing thousands of different assessments. Each developer purporting its assessments to be scientifically accurate instruments - sold, resold and used by individuals and organizations of all kinds; including many of our largest institutions like Fortune 500s, major universities, world governments, and even military. Frighteningly, this “global cottage industry,” which produces data relied upon by millions, is entirely unregulated with nothing to ensure its consumers are receiving what they are being told and sold. There are zero requirements, safeguards, laws or regulations ensuring the consumer receives a scientifically accurate instrument - or even what the developers and sellers claim.

The Solution? Independent & Verifiable Testing by a Qualified Institution

The *Assessment Standards Institute (ASI)* provides our assessments with verifiably objective testing and reporting that meet standards set by the **American Psychological Association (APA)** and the **Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)**. This battery of tests is both voluntary and verifiably transparent. Our goal? To ensure this assessment’s professional merit and scientific accuracy for you, the user. These reports are readily available upon request and include:

Construct Validity (APA Standards)

Construct validity is one of the most central concepts in psychology. It is the degree to which a test measures what it claims, or purports to be measuring. Researchers generally establish the construct validity of a measure by correlating it with a number of other measures and arguing from the pattern of correlations that the measure is associated with these variables in theoretically predictable ways.

External Data Reliability (APA Standards)

The term reliability in psychological research refers to the consistency of a testing or assessment method. In this case we are measuring the reliability or consistency of assessment measures over time. External Reliability measures the extent to which assessment measure varies from one use to another. In this analysis we are measuring reliability from the use of a test at one time as compared to another time. The comparison is using a mean variance measure referred to as the mean value ratio. The mean value ratio measures the external or time consistency of an assessment.

Disparate Impact (EEOC Guidelines)

Employers often use tests and other selection procedures to screen applicants for hire and employees for promotion. The use of tests and other selection procedures can be a very effective means of determining which applicants or employees are most qualified for a job. However, use of these tools can also violate the EEOC Guidelines if they disproportionately exclude people in a protected group by class, race, sex, or another covered basis. Importantly, the law does allow for selection procedures to select the best candidates based on job related requirements. If the selection procedure has a disparate impact based on race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, the employer is required to show that the selection procedure is job related and consistent with business necessity. If discrimination exists, the challenged policy or practice should therefore be associated with the skills needed to perform the job successfully.

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