

01 Career Interest Categories

Read these descriptions to give you an understanding of the different types of work.

The Occupations named in each category are only examples.

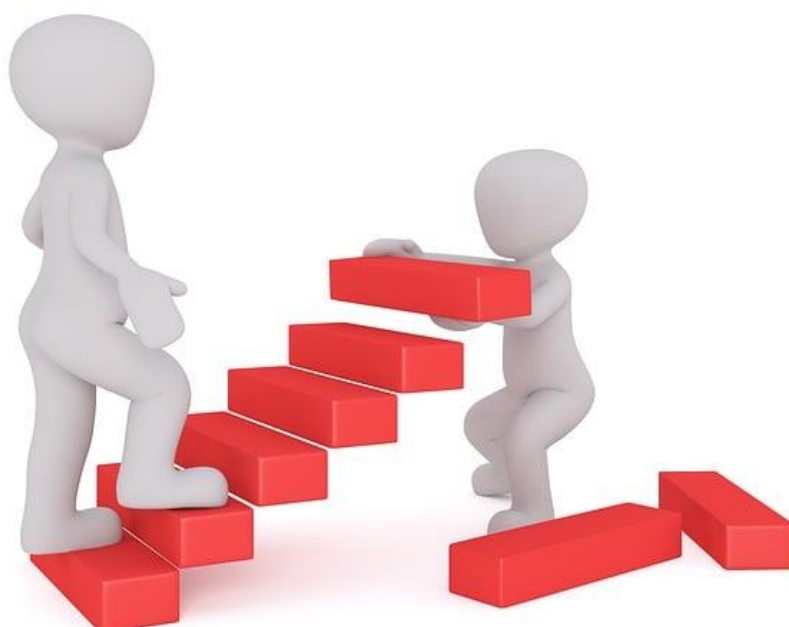
OUTDOOR	Outdoor interest means that you like to work and move about outside. It also involves caring for animals and growing things. Farmers, foresters, landscape gardeners, surveyors, and sportsmen/ sportswomen are among those high in outdoor interests.
PRACTICAL	Practical interest means that you like to work mainly with tools and equipment, making and fixing things as well as operating machines. Jobs in this area include pilots, factory workers, technicians, and engineers.
SCIENTIFIC	Scientific interest means that you like to discover ideas, observe, investigate and experiment. It includes medical and health Occupations. Doctors, pharmacists, zoologists, dentists, chemists, physicists have high scientific interests.
CREATIVE	A creative interest means that you like to express yourself. It includes artistic, musical, and literary occupations. An artistic interest shows that you like to design and create objects, appreciate beautiful things practise design, or decorate things around you. Artists, photographers, signwriters, and designers all do 'artistic' work. Musical interest means you like composing, dancing, singing, or playing musical instruments. Dancers, musicians, and entertainers have musical interests. Literary interest means that you like books, writing, and dealing with ideas. Literary jobs include actors, writers, editors, reporters and advertising jobs.
BUSINESS	Business interest means that you like meeting people, talking, discussing, and leading others such as in law, politics, buying and selling. It also involves business relations with people, as with travel agents, shopkeepers, executives, and managers.
OFFICE	An interest in office work means you like working indoors, and clerical tasks which involve organising and being accurate. It can involve planning and controlling. Clerical jobs such as secretary, office worker, receptionist, bank clerk, or computer operator are in this category. An interest in office work also means you like to work with numbers and do calculations such as in finance or statistics. A high interest in this area means that you might like such office jobs as computer programmer, barrister, or economist.
SOCIAL	An interest in people contact means that you like to work mainly with people or that you are concerned about their social welfare. The work of teachers, nurses, police officers, and welfare workers involves a great deal of personal contact. An interest in working with people can also include jobs such as sales, cashiers, waiters, and secretaries.

A classification of occupations by interest categories

Listed below are many jobs and careers. They have been grouped into seven interest categories: Outdoor, Practical, Scientific, Creative, Business, Office, and Social.

To find the type of work you want, read through the different occupations in the job categories which match your interests.

As you will see, each category has been divided into four areas that indicate the training, education, or experience that each requires. The four areas are Degree/Diploma, Certificate, Trade, or Other (that is, jobs where experience may be important or where there are other qualifications).



OUTDOOR

Degree/Diploma

Agricultural occupations * Civil engineer * Defence forces * Forester * Geographer * Geologist * Geophysicist * Health surveyor * Horticulture * Journalist * Marine scientist * Marine surveyor * Meteorologist * Naturalist * Pilot * Recreation officer * Surveyor * Telecommunications * Veterinary scientist

Certificate

Agricultural occupations * Ambulance work * Animal care * Builder * Health surveyor * Horticultural occupations * Landscape gardener * Mining occupations

Trade

Agricultural occupations * Boat building * Bricklaying * Building trades * Defence forces * Gardening * Greenkeeping * Merchant navy * Nurseryman/nurserywoman * Plant mechanics * Roof tiling * Shipbuilding * Signwriting * Stonemasonry * Wood processing occupations

Other

Agricultural occupations * Ambulance work * Animal attendant * Back hoe/Front end loader operator * Bricklayer's labourer * Builder's labourer * Bulldozer operator * Bus driver * Coach * driver * Concrete worker * Courier * Crane operator * Dairy worker * Defence forces * Driving instructor * Farmer * Farmhand * Fire fighter * Forester * Fruit picker * Furniture removalist * Garbage collector * Groundsman/woman * Hire car driver * Horticultural occupations * Journalist * Merchant navy * Park ranger * Parking patrol officer * Photographer * Pilot * Postman/woman * Public transport occupations * Railway guard * Railway station assistant * Rigger and scaffolder * Rubbish removalist * Security officer * Shearing * Steward/Stewardess * Taxi driver * Train driver * Veterinary nurse * Window cleaner * Wood processing occupations

PRACTICAL

Degree/Diploma

Aeronautical engineer * Ceramics engineer * Chemical engineer* Civil engineer* Defence forces * Draftsperson * Electrical engineer * Electronics engineer* Food technologist * Flight engineer* Home economist * Industrial arts teacher * Industrial engineer * Laboratory technician * Marine * Mechanical engineer * Medical technologist * Mining engineer * Naturalist * Occupational therapist * Structural engineer * Telecommunications

Certificate

Broadcast maintenance technician * Building technician * Caterer * Chemical technician * Computer service technician * Draftsperson * Dressmaking * Driller * Engineering technicians * Film production occupations * Geological/geophysical technician * Jeweller * Laboratory assistant * Meteorology technical officer * Photography * Plastics production occupations * Radio operator * Survey drafting occupations * Telecommunications technician

Trade

Aircraft instrument mechanic * Aircraft maintenance engineering * Apparel plant mechanic * Baker * Blacksmith * Boat builder * Bookbinder * Boilermaker * Brake mechanic * Business equipment serviceman/woman * Butcher * Cabinetmaker * Canvas and rope goods occupations * Carpenter * Clicker * Computer service technician * Cook * Cutter * Defence forces * Dental technician * Electrical fitter * Electroplater * Fitter and machinist * Footwear manufacturing trades * French polisher * Glass industry trades * Knitting machine mechanic * Lift mechanic * Locksmith * Meat industry trades * Metal industry trades * Milliner Motor cycle mechanic * Motor mechanic * Moulding * Painter and decorator * Panelbeater * Pastrycook * Plasterer * Plastics industry trades * Plumber * Printer and associated trades * Radio trades * Roof tiler and slater * Shipbuilder * Shoe repairer * Small goods manufacturer * Tailor * Toolmaker * Upholsterer * Wall and floor tiler * Welder

Other

Air traffic controller * Automotive replacement spare parts sales * Car detailer * Carpet layer * Cleaner * Dairy products industry occupations * Defence forces * Dry cleaner * Engraver * Factory hand * Fibreglass worker * Film equipment operator * Fisherman * Flight attendant * Florist * Footwear manufacturing occupations * Fork lift driver * Furnace operator * Garbage collector * * Glazier * * Housemaid/houseman * Laundry worker * * Line serviceman/ servicewoman * Meat packer* Miner Panel operator* Pest controller Photograph processor Picture framer * Projectionist Radio operator * Slaughterman/woman Small goods manufacturing occupations* Steward/stewardess Storeman/woman and packer * TV equipment operator* Ticketwriter * Tyre fitter* Vehicle assembly worker * Welder

SCIENTIFIC

Degree/Diploma

Agricultural scientist * Astronomer * Audiologist * Biochemist * Biologist * Botanist * Chemist *
*Dentist * Dietitian * Doctor * Ecologist * Geneticist * Geologist * Geophysicist * Gemmologist *
* Health surveyor * Hospital pharmacist * Industrial chemist * Laboratory technician * Marine
scientist * Mathematician * Medical technologist * Metallurgist * Meteorologist * Microbiologist
* Naturalist * Naturopath * Nuclear physicist * Nurse * Occupational therapist * Optometrist *
Orthodontist * Pharmacist * Physicist * Physiologist * Physiotherapist * Radiographer * Veterinary
* scientist * Zoologist

Certificate

Animal technician * Ambulance officer * Biological technician * Chemical technician *
Engineering technician * Food technology technician * Health surveyor * Laboratory assistant *
Meat inspector * Nursing aide * Optical dispenser * Pathology technician

Trade

Dental technician * Optical mechanics

Other

Ambulance officer * Animal attendant * Dental assistant * Diet aide * Meteorological
occupations * Nursing aide

CREATIVE

Degree/Diploma

Actor * Advertising executive * Architect * Art teacher * Editor Fashion designer * Film production occupations * Gallery director * Industrial designer * Interior designer * Interpreter Journalist * Landscape architect * Librarian * Musician * Music teacher* Naval architect * Public relations officer Publisher * Sculptor * Textile and design occupations * Town planner * Translator

Certificate

Advertising occupations * Commercial artist * Draftsperson * Interior decorator * Landscape gardener * Library assistant * Panel operator * Photographer * Television broadcasting occupations

Trade

Cook Coppersmith* French polisher * Gardener * Hairdresser * Jeweller * Milliner * Painter and decorator * Pastrycook * Scientific instrument maker * Signwriter * Stonemason * Tailor * Upholsterer * Wall and floor tiler * Wood turner

Other

Actor * Advertising occupations * Animator * Announcer * Art restorer * Beauty care * Book editor * Commercial artist * Conservator * Copywriter * Cosmetician * Director TV and film * Display person* Diversional therapist * Dressmaker * Fashion co-ordinator * Film equipment operator * Florist * Jeweller * Journalist * Make-up artist * Model * Musician * Music teacher * Panel operator * Producer TV and film Radio announcer * Radio broadcasting occupations * Screenprinter * Scriptwriter * Sculptor * Ticketwriting * Tracer * Woodcarver

BUSINESS = CONVENTIONAL

Degree/Diploma

Accountant * Administrator * advertising executive * Banker * Barrister * Clerk * Economist *
Home economist * Hotel/motel manager Industrial officer Personnel officer Public relations
officer Publisher * Solicitor Travel agent

Certificate

Advertising occupations * Banking occupations * Clerk * Demonstrator * Home economist *
Hotel/motel manager * Insurance agent * Personnel officer * Purchasing officer * Retail manager
* Sales representative * Stock and station agent * Trade * Butcher * Hairdresser * Waiting

Other

Advertising occupations * Auctioneer * Automotive replacement parts sales * Car sales
representative * Checkout operator * Clerk * Fashion buyer * Fashion co-ordinator * Fast food
sales assistant * Dispensary assistant * Florist * Hardware sales assistants * Insurance agent *
Law clerk * Newsagent * Passenger service Officer * Pet shop assistant * Public relations * officer
* Publisher * Sales representative * Shop assistant * Travel consultant.

OFFICE

Degree/Diploma

Accountant * Actuary* Administrator * Agricultural economist * Banker * Barrister * Clerk * Company secretary * Computer programmer * Diplomat * Economist * Hospital administrator * Hotel manager * Industrial relations officer * Insurance occupations * Hospital administrator * Hotel Manager * Industrial relations officer * Insurance occupations * Liberian * Local government occupations * Mathematician * Medical records administrator * Nurse administrator * Personnel officer * Private secretary * Public service careers * Publisher * Purchasing officer * School principal * Statistician * Stockbroker * Systems analyst * Travel agent

Certificate

Assistant accountant * Administrator * Advertising occupations * Banking occupations * Customs agent * Hospital administrator * Hotel/motel manager * Insurance clerk * Library assistant * Library technician * Local government clerk * Personnel clerk * Private secretary * Public service clerk * Real estate agent * Retail clerk

Other

Banking occupations * Book editor * Clerical assistant * Computer operator * Court attendant * Court reporter * Customs clerk * Data entry operator * Hansard reporter * Law clerk * Postal clerk * Railway station assistant * Receptionist * Shipping clerk * Telephonist * Tracer * Word processor operator

SOCIAL

Degree/Diploma

Anthropologist * Art teacher * Barrister * Child care assistant * Counsellor * Dentist * Doctor *
Hotel manager * Industrial relations officer * Interpreter * Librarian * Nurse * Nurse educator *
Occupational therapist * Optometrist * Personnel manager * Pharmacist * Physiotherapist * Pre-
school teacher * Psychiatric nurse * Psychologist * Rehabilitation counsellor * Social worker *
Special or remedial teacher* Sociologist * Speech pathologist * Teacher * Welfare worker

Certificate

Banking occupations * Child care assistant * Hospital administrator * Hotel/motel manager *
Insurance agent * Library assistant * Nurse aide * Personnel clerk * Welfare worker

Trade

Waiting

Other

Ambulance officer * Banking occupations * Bar attendant * Beautician * Checkout operator *
Dental chairside assistant * Flight attendant * Gym instructor * Insurance agent * Model *
Physical fitness instructor * Police officer * Prison officer * Public relations officer * Receptionist *
Recreation worker * Sales assistant * Steward/stewardess * Telephonist * Tour guide *
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