# The Six Personality Career Directions

#### **DOERS**

Mechanics

If you love working with your hands, chances are you're a "doer." You get a kick out of building, tinkering, and fixing things. Using tools comes naturally. You may prefer "doing" to "thinking," and concrete problems to abstract problems. Many doers grow up to have "handson" careers.

Air traffic controllers Hairdressers Physical therapists **Farmers** Construction workers Carpenters Truck drivers **Dressmakers Firefighters Dental assistants** Locksmiths Electricians Computer repairs/specialists Chefs Caterers **Plumbers** X-Ray Technicians

#### **INVESTIGATORS**

Investigators are observant and curious about the world around them. They have a feel for gathering and figuring out information. Many investigators love science, math, or history. They may prefer to work more on their own than with others. Does this sound like you?

Doctors
Science lab workers
Paralegals
Police detectives
Librarians
Engineers

Data analysts
Pharmacists
Medical assistants
Reporters
Military analysts
Veterinarians
College professors
Lawyers
Consumer researchers
Astronomers
Computer security specialists

### **ARTISTS**

Musicians

Geologists

If you're artistic, you feel the need for self-expression. Artists are imaginative and creative. They often love working freely and put their emotions into their work. Artists may work with words and pictures or music and dances. They also work with materials and machines that produce artistic products.

Writers and journalists Architect **Teachers** Advertising personnel **Painters** Interior designers **Florists** Clothing designers **Photographers Editors** Illustrators Landscapers Actors and dancers **Recording Technicians Display Makers Lighting Specialists** 

#### **HELPERS**

Have you ever imagined yourself teaching people new skills or helping them with their personal problems? Working with others may be perfect for you. Helpers are expert communicators. They love to talk and listen. They work well in groups and interact well with all kinds of people.

Mental health specialists

Social workers

**Teachers** 

Nurses
Dietitians
Personnel workers
Information clerks
Child care workers
Travel agents
Airline personnel
Sales people
Receptionists
Waiters, waitresses
Office workers
Home health aides
Government staffers
Career counselors

#### **ENTERPRISERS**

Enterprisers have strong leadership qualities. They enjoy organizing activities for people and taking personal or financial risks. Often competitive, enterprisers like to persuade others to see the world their way. Enterprisers may often combine some of the social skills of "helpers" and hands-on skills of "doers."

Finance specialists
Real estate workers
Reporters
General managers
Wholesale buyers
Insurance underwriters
Public relations executives
Administrative assistants
Sales people
Recreation workers
Retail store owners

#### **DETAILERS**

If you find detail work a cinch, and think you might enjoy such work as analyzing information or operating business machines, you're a "detailer." Detailers often like being part of large companies, though not always in leadership positions. They love steady routines and have a good feel for numbers and facts.

Medical records managers
Accountants
Lab technicians
Computer programmers
Cashiers
Auditors
Office clerks
Credit managers
Hotel clerks
Bank tellers
Proofreaders
Science lab workers
Paralegals

## WHERE DO YOU GO FROM HERE?

Now that you've traced your interests to the workplace, continue thinking about your career future. Explore a variety of classes and talk to a guidance counselor and teachers. Check with your school or local library. Get as much information as you can about the career fields that interest you. By getting a head start, you put yourself on the path to a successful career.