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## Your Top 5 Themes

Strategic Achiever Learner Intellection Responsibility

# Strategic

#### Shared Theme Description

People who are especially talented in the Strategic theme create alternative ways to proceed. Faced with any given scenario, they can quickly spot the relevant patterns and issues.

#### Your Personalized Strengths Insights

#### What makes you stand out?

It's very likely that you customarily pinpoint the core problems and identify the best solutions. You artfully and skillfully eliminate distractions. This helps people gain a clear understanding of what is happening and why it is happening. You frequently identify ways to transform an obstacle into an opportunity. Instinctively, you are innovative, inventive, original, and resourceful. Your mind allows you to venture beyond the commonplace, the familiar, or the obvious. You entertain ideas about the best ways to reach a goal, increase productivity, or solve a problem. First, you think of alternatives. Then you choose the best option. Because of your strengths, you appreciate straightforward, plainspoken, and concise conversations. Often you have these exchanges with people who are as comfortable speaking about their ideas as you are. By nature, you select the right combination of words to convey your ideas or feelings. In the middle of discussions, your vocabulary provides you with precise phrases and terminology. You probably express yourself with ease and grace. Chances are good that you can design innovative plans. You probably raise issues and identify recurring obstacles as you generate tactical options. Problems and possible solutions become apparent to you. Once you outline action steps, you quickly execute them one by one. You refuse to waste time questioning your ideas after everything has been set into motion.

- 1. As you read your personalized strengths insights, what words, phrases, or lines stand out to you?
- 2. Out of all the talents in this insight, what would you like for others to see most in you?

### Achiever

#### Shared Theme Description

People who are especially talented in the Achiever theme have a great deal of stamina and work hard. They take great satisfaction from being busy and productive.

#### Your Personalized Strengths Insights

#### What makes you stand out?

Driven by your talents, you frequently engage in academic pursuits for extended periods of time. You are much less inclined than some people to join a study group to absorb new information and reinforce what you already know. By nature, you delight in working or studying by yourself. When you team up with people, you are disappointed when they fail to appreciate your ability to outperform them. You probably notice those individuals who are threatened by your work ethic, persistence, and/or diligence. Instinctively, you approach your work-related or academic assignments with a great deal of intensity. You are known for putting in long hours and working hard. It's very likely that you regularly dedicate your energy and personal time to various issues, causes, or projects. You harbor a deep-seated desire to have a good influence on the planet and its people. Your goal is simple: "I want to leave the world in a lot better shape than I found it." Chances are good that you concentrate for extended periods of time. This is one reason why you ultimately master skills and grasp concepts.

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### Learner

#### Shared Theme Description

People who are especially talented in the Learner theme have a great desire to learn and want to continuously improve. In particular, the process of learning, rather than the outcome, excites them.

#### Your Personalized Strengths Insights

#### What makes you stand out?

Driven by your talents, you take pains to uncover how and why things happen as they do. You share your discoveries with partners, teammates, and friends. You typically streamline your explanations. You cover only the essential facts. Most individuals can easily grasp what you say. Listeners probably appreciate you giving them less detail so they can understand the main points. Instinctively, you value education and scholarship at any level and at any age. Your thirst for knowledge causes you to explore many topics of study or specialize in one particular subject. You thoroughly enjoy opportunities to acquire additional information, skills, and experiences. Because of your strengths, you frequently examine the factors leading up to an event. Therein you discover the reasons why things happened the way they did. A number of individuals and/or groups probably appreciate your logical thinking style. It's very likely that you sometimes enroll in difficult or demanding classes. You might aim to expand your knowledge or challenge your thinking about certain things. By nature, you probably are a solo performer. You are determined to broaden your knowledge and acquire new skills. You are repeatedly drawn into the process of education.

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## Intellection

#### Shared Theme Description

People who are especially talented in the Intellection theme are characterized by their intellectual activity. They are introspective and appreciate intellectual discussions.

#### Your Personalized Strengths Insights

#### What makes you stand out?

Chances are good that you put yourself in the middle of mentally stimulating conversations. You want to gather new ideas, discover new approaches, hear about new theories, consider new concepts, or apply new technologies. Often you are one of the early discoverers of innovations. Others can lag behind if they wish, but you consistently acquire knowledge. You exhibit little need to know precisely where all this information ultimately will lead you. Driven by your talents, you aim to finish reading books, publications, or Internet sites once you have started. You do not dawdle — that is, move slowly — when amassing information that may or may not prove useful at a later date. Quite simply, you enjoy the act of reading and the process of collecting ideas. It's very likely that you spend a lot of time pondering your future. You can experience anxiety about your prospects. Fortunately, your ability to reason through stress-producing situations calms many of your fears about the unknown. By nature, you prepare for important conversations or discussions by collecting lots of background information. It is not unusual for you to set aside at least five hours of quiet time each week to consider what you have discovered. You are likely to use this time to expand your thinking. A new piece of material can send you hunting for additional evidence to support your theories, concepts, or proposals. Because of your strengths, you routinely scan data to find meaningful and repetitious sequences. You tend ask yourself lots of questions about the numbers and/or the facts. You are delighted whenever you discover answers others typically overlook. You probably are more productive when you can work alone or have very few interruptions.

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# Responsibility

### Shared Theme Description

People who are especially talented in the Responsibility theme take psychological ownership of what they say they will do. They are committed to stable values such as honesty and loyalty.

### Your Personalized Strengths Insights

### What makes you stand out?

It's very likely that you often argue that people should be held to the highest moral standards. You insist that those who break the law be required to accept the consequences of their deeds. You have little sympathy for people who are caught in the act of taking things that do not belong to them. Driven by your talents, you are known as a reliable and dependable person. You are motivated to work diligently. You cannot rest until you have completed what you told someone you would do. Because of your strengths, you draw on your reserve of personal accountability when pressed to complete tasks. Fulfilling your commitments spurs you to do whatever it takes to complete projects. You realize others depend on you. This explains why you seldom rest until your work is done. Chances are good that you are consistent in your core values and predictable in your actions. People are likely to know that you go to great lengths to do things right and to behave in an ethical manner. By nature, you are determined to be victorious. As much as you yearn to be "number one," you know cheating is unacceptable. You probably experience remorse when you unintentionally take unfair advantage of anyone. You likely think finishing first counts only when you have followed all the rules just like everyone else.

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