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SELF-INTERPRETING

PROFILE SHEET

for the

KUDER PREFERENCE RECORD VOCATIONAL

Forms CH, CM

BOYS and GIRLS

DIRECTIONS FOR PROFILING

1. Copy the V-Score from the back page of your answer pad to the box at the right.



If your V-Score is 37 or less, there is some reason for doubting the value of your answers, and your other scores may not be very accurate. If your V-Score is 45 or more, you may not have understood the directions, since 44 is the highest possible score. If your score is not between 38 and 44, inclusive, you should see your adviser. He will probably recommend that you read the directions again, and then that you fill out the blank a second time, being careful to follow the directions exactly and to give sincere replies.

If your V-Score is between 38 and 44, inclusive, go ahead with the following directions.

- 2. Copy the scores 0 through 9 in the spaces at the top of the profile chart. Under "OUTDOOR" find the number which is the same as the score at the top. Use the numbers under M if you are a boy and the numbers under F if you are a girl. Draw a line through this number from one side to the other of the entire column under OUTDOOR. Do the same thing for the scores at the top of each of the other columns. If a score is larger than any number in the column, draw a line across the top of the column; if it is smaller, draw a line across the bottom.
- 3. With your pencil blacken the entire space between the lines you have drawn and the bottom of the chart. If your score is not shown, draw a line between the scores above and below your own. The result is your profile for the Kuder Preference Record Vocational.

An interpretation of the scores will be found on the other side.

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Your INTEREST PROFILE

Your profile on the Kuder Preference Record—Vocational shows your interest in the ten important areas listed across the top of the chart. The profile will also help you learn how you compare with other people.

The lines you drew on the chart show whether your interest is high, average, or low. If your score is above the top dotted line in any column, it is a high score and shows that you like activities in that area. If your score is between the two dotted lines, your interest is about average. If your score is below the bottom dotted line, it is a low score and shows that you dislike activities of that type.

Like most people, you are probably high in some areas, low in some, and average in others. Look at your highest score first. This score shows the type of activities you probably like best. If you have more than one score above the top dotted line, you have a combination of high interests.

Look at your low scores, too. They should be considered in any plans you make because they indicate the kinds of activities you probably do not enjoy. Remember that high interests are not better or worse than low, nor are some interests better than others. It is your own pattern of interests that counts.

Here is what your scores on the Preference Record mean:

OUTDOOR interest means that you prefer work that keeps you outside most of the time and usually deals with animals and growing things. Forest rangers, naturalists, and farmers are among those high in outdoor interests.

MECHANICAL interest means you like to work with machines and tools. Jobs in this area include automobile repairmen, watchmakers, drill press operators, and engineers.

COMPUTATIONAL interest means you like to work with numbers. A high score in this area suggests that you might like such jobs as bookkeeper, accountant, or bank teller.

SCIENTIFIC interest means that you like to discover new facts and solve problems. Doctors, chemists, nurses, engineers, radio repairmen, aviators, and dieticians usually have high scientific interests.

PERSUASIVE interest means that you like to meet and deal with people and to promote projects or things to sell. Most actors, politicians, radio announcers, ministers, salesmen, and store clerks have high persuasive interests.

ARTISTIC interest means you like to do creative work with your hands. It is usually work that has "eye appeal" involving attractive design, color, and materials. Painters, sculptors, architects, dress designers, hairdressers, and interior decorators all do "artistic" work.

LITERARY interest shows that you like to read and write. Literary jobs include novelist, historian, teacher, actor, news reporter, editor, drama critic, and book reviewer.

MUSICAL interest shows you like going to concerts, playing instruments, singing, or reading about music and musicians.

SOCIAL SERVICE interest indicates a preference for helping people. Nurses, Boy or Girl Scout leaders, vocational counselors, tutors, ministers, personnel workers, social workers, and hospital attendants spend much of their time helping other people.

CLERICAL interest means you like office work that requires precision and accuracy. Jobs such as bookkeeper, accountant, file clerk, salesclerk, secretary, statistician, and traffic manager fall in this area.

The occupations listed for each area on this profile are only examples. Your counselor can help you think of many others that are suggested by your pattern of interests. He can also tell you about many books and pamphlets that will help you learn more about these occupations. You may find that many school courses and leisure-time activities fit into your high interest areas.

Another form of the Preference Record, the Personal, will help you find out more about the types of things you like to do. It will help you discover, for example, how much you like meeting new people, whether you prefer situations you are familiar with, if you would rather work with ideas or things, how much you prefer pleasant social situations, and if you like to direct others. Your scores in these areas, too, will help you plan your career.

What you can do well depends, of course, on many things in addition to interest. Your abilities are particularly important. Many abilities can be measured by tests. Here, again, your counselor is the person to see.

Try to get as much information as you can about your interests, abilities, and the jobs you want to consider. The more you know about yourself, the more opportunity you have to make wise plans for your future.