

# Strong Interest Inventory (SII)

*There will not be any questions about the SII on the midterm*

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# SII Early History

- 1927 - E.K. Strong Jr: Strong Vocational Interest Bank (SVIB)
- 1966 revision
  - 400 questions
  - 54 occupations for men
  - 32 occupations for women
- Criticisms:
  - lack of theory
  - gender-based occupations
- 1974 revision Strong-Campbell Interest Inventory (SCII) - reduced gender bias

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# SII History

- Test moved → Minnesota → Stanford University
- 2007 Revision - Strong Interest Inventory (SII)
  - 291 multiple choice Likert-style questions (polychotomous)
  - about 45 minutes to finish
  - Vocational placement upon leaving military
  - Theory based on “Holland Codes”

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# Holland Typology

- Theory: personality and vocations share six main *factors*

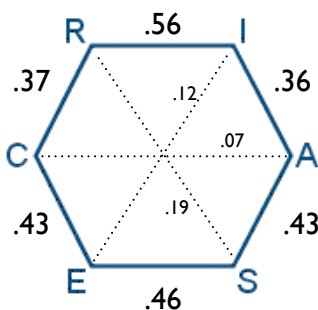
Type	Description
Realistic	practical, physical, hands-on, tool-oriented
Investigative	analytical, intellectual, scientific, explorative
Artistic	creative, original, independent, chaotic
Social	cooperative, supporting, helping, healing/nurturing
Enterprising	competitive environments, leadership, persuading
Conventional	detail-oriented, organizing, clerical

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# Holland Typology

- Type : usually expressed as top 3 factors
- Hexagon indicates correlation between factors



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# SII uses T-Scores

	Z scores	IQ scores	T scores	Scaled Scores
Mean	0	100	50	10
SD	1	15	10	3

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# The Structure of the SII

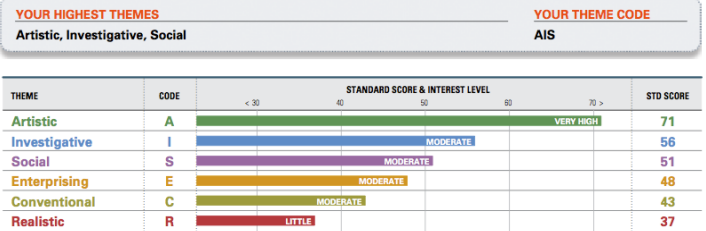
- Section 1 : General Occupational Themes
- Section 2 : Basic Interest Scales
- Section 3 : Occupational Scales
- Section 4 : Personal Style Scales
- Section 5 : Profile Summary
- Section 6 : Response Summary

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## 1 : General Occupational Themes (GIS)

Describes your interests, work activities, potential skills, and personal values in six broad areas: Realistic (R), Investigative (I), Artistic (A), Social (S), Enterprising (E), and Conventional (C).

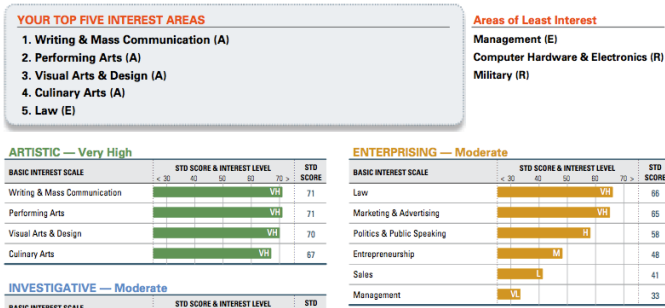


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## 2: Basic Interest Scales (BIS)

Identifies specific interest areas within the six General Occupational Themes, indicating areas likely to be most motivating and rewarding for you.

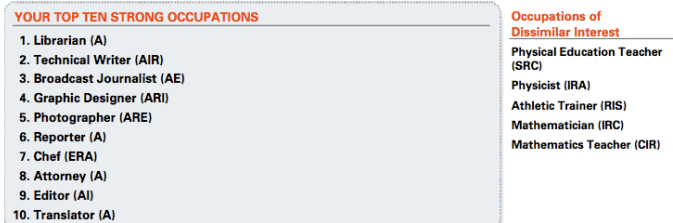


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## 3 : Occupational Scales (OS)

Compares your likes and dislikes with those of people who are satisfied working in various occupations, indicating your likely compatibility of interests.

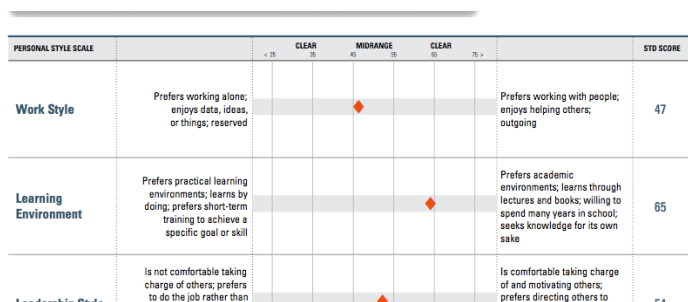


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## 4 : Personal Style Scales (PSS)

Describes preferences related to work style, learning, leadership, risk taking, and teamwork, providing insight into work and education environments most likely to fit you best.

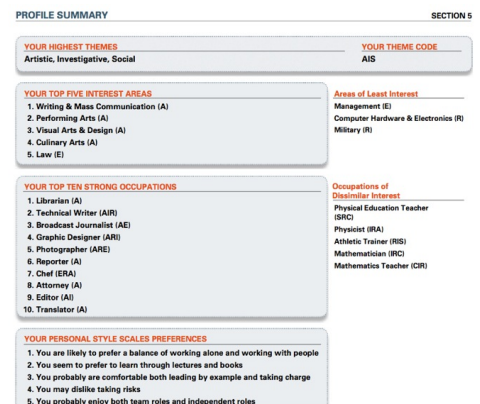


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## 5 : Profile Summary

Provides a graphic snapshot of Profile results for immediate, easy reference.



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## 6 : Response Summary

Summarizes your responses within each category of Strong items, providing interpretive data useful to your career professional.

### RESPONSE SUMMARY

### SECTION 6

This section provides a summary of your responses to the different sections of the inventory for use in interpretation by your career professional.

ITEM RESPONSE PERCENTAGES					
Section Title	Strongly Like	Like	Indifferent	Dislike	Strongly Dislike
Occupations	23	9	17	8	42
Subject Areas	30	13	22	15	20
Activities	18	19	25	12	26
Leisure Activities	54	14	7	11	14
People	44	0	19	19	19
Characteristics	56	11	11	22	0
<b>TOTAL PERCENTAGE</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>29</b>

Total possible responses: 291 Your response total: 290 Items omitted: 1 Typicality index: 19—Combination of item responses appears consistent  
Note: Due to rounding, total percentage may not add up to 100%.

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## How good is the SII

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## SII Reliability

- Generally good Reliability

Type	Cronbach's Alpha	Test-Retest
GOTs	.91 - .95	.84 - .92
BIS	0.87	
Occupational Scales		.82 - .89

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## SII Validity

- How to measure it?

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