

My Dream Job Checklist

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Here's a fun pop quiz about your working preferences that may help you define your ideal job. Put a check by all aspects that you **prefer**.

- desk job (with a great chair, of course)
- on my feet, moving around
- inside an office
- out and about, on the move
- collaborate closely with a team
- solo act
- busy, lively office, lots of stimulation
- shhhh—people are thinking!
- large company, with big company benefits
- small company, more personal relationships
- handle the general public
- back office only
- good with numbers
- better with words
- schmooze the clients
- details are delightful
- broad strokes, big ideas—let someone else implement
- deadlines, pressure, adrenaline—bring it on!
- please don't bug me about anything
- research, play detective
- could sell Paris Hilton a room at the Sheraton

- ___ give me detailed instructions, and I'll comply
- ___ give me a rough idea what you want, and I'll jump right in
- ___ gotta have glitz—I live for fashion, glamour, entertainment
- ___ like knowing I made someone's day better
- ___ routines make me happy
- ___ variety is the spice of my life
- ___ computers are my best tools
- ___ love talking to groups
- ___ high tolerance for meetings and planning sessions
- ___ just send me the minutes
- ___ want projects that use my creativity
- ___ want projects that use my powers of reasoning and deduction
- ___ flex schedule
- ___ job sharing
- ___ would love someone to mentor me
- ___ like structure to my day
- ___ don't fence me in
- ___ willing to work late or odd hours
- ___ a 9 to 5er
- ___ gotta have feedback, applause, validation
- ___ respond to incentives, bonuses and contests
- ___ like knowing other people will be checking my work
- ___ take full responsibility for my work, no need to double check it
- ___ want my own office with a door—and hey, why not a window?
- ___ can function in a cubicle or in a wide open space