

Who Am I?

Lingenfelter and Mayers Questionnaire

Determine to what extent each of the following statements describes your thinking and approach to life. If the statement is *not at all* descriptive of you, write the number 1 in the blank space. If it is very descriptive of you, write the number 7. Write the number 4 if the statement describes you only somewhat. Use the number 2 or 3 for items that are less descriptive of you, and the number 5 or 6 for those that are more descriptive. Respond to all statements with a number from 1 to 7.

		Rating
1.	I would not feel comfortable working for a large company because I would never see the whole picture of what I was working on.	
2.	I seek out friends and enjoy talking about any subject that happens to come up.	
3.	I avoid setting goals for fear that I might not reach them.	
4.	I am more concerned about what I have accomplished than I am with the position and title of my job.	
5.	I seldom think much about the future; I just like to get involved in things as they turn up.	
6.	I feel things are either right or wrong; discussion of "grey" areas makes me uncomfortable and seems to compromise the truth.	
7.	When making a decision, I feel that more than one of the options can be a right choice.	
8.	When I set a goal, I dedicate myself to reaching that goal, even if other areas of my life suffer as a result of it.	
9.	I am always one of the first to try something new.	
10.	I tend to associate only with people of the same social status.	
11.	I feel strongly that time is a scarce commodity, and I value it highly.	
12.	When my car needs tuning, I go to the dealer rather than let my neighbour who works out of his garage do the job. With professionals I know it will be done right.	
13.	I like performing before an audience because it pushes me to perform better.	
14.	My primary criteria for buying a car are low price and a record of quality and reliability; I do not let family or friends influence me to spend more for a 'name brand.'	
15.	My desk or work area is very organized. There is a place for everything, and everything is in its place.	

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16.	I attend lectures and read books by experts to find solutions to issues of importance to me.	
17.	If offered a promotion which entailed moving to another city, I would not be held back by relationships to parents and friends.	
18.	I find it difficult to relate to people who have a significantly higher occupational or social position than mine.	
19.	I always wear a watch and refer to it regularly in order not to be late for anything.	
20.	I feel very frustrated if someone treats me like a stereotype.	
21.	I tend not to worry about potential problems; I wait until a problem develops before taking action.	
22.	When waiting in line, I tend to start up conversations with people I do not know.	
23.	I hate to arrive late; sometimes I stay away rather than walk in late.	
24.	I get annoyed at people who want to stop discussion and push the group to make a decision, especially when everybody has not had a chance to express their opinions.	
25.	I plan my daily and weekly activities. I am annoyed when my schedule or routine gets interrupted.	
26.	I do not take sides in a discussion until I have heard all of the arguments.	
27.	Completing a task is almost an obsession with me, and I cannot be content until I am finished.	
28.	I enjoy breaking out of my routine and doing something totally different every now and then to keep life exciting.	
29.	When involved in a project, I tend to work on it until completion, even if that means being late on other things.	
30.	I only eat in a few select public places outside of my home, where I can be sure the food is the best quality and I can find the specific items I enjoy.	
31.	Even though I know it might rain, I would attend a friend's barbecue rather than excuse myself to repair the damage a storm has done to my roof.	
32.	I always submit to the authority of my boss, pastor, and teachers, even if I feel they may be wrong.	
33.	I feel that there is a standard English grammar and that all Americans should use it.	
34.	To make meals more interesting, I introduce changes into the recipes I find in cookbooks.	

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35.	I argue my point to the end, even if I know I am wrong.	
36.	I do not feel that anything I have done in the past matters much; I have to keep proving myself every day.	
37.	When starting a new job, I work especially hard to prove myself to my fellow workers.	
38.	When introducing important people, I usually include their occupation and title.	
39.	I talk with others about my problems and ask them for advice.	
40.	I avoid participating in games at which I am not very good.	
41.	Even if in a hurry while running errands, I will stop to talk with a friend.	
42.	I have set specific goals for what I want to accomplish in the next year and the next five years.	
43.	I like to be active with many things so that at any one time I have a choice of what to do.	
44.	When shopping for a major item, I first get expert advice and then buy the recommended item at the nearest reasonable store.	
45.	I enjoy looking at art and trying to figure out what the artist was thinking and trying to communicate.	
46.	I feel uncomfortable and frustrated when a discussion ends without a clear resolution of the issue; nobody wins the argument.	
47.	I resist a scheduled life, preferring to do things on the spur of the moment.	
48.	When leading a meeting, I make sure that it begins and ends on time.	

Analysis

To determine your personal profile, refer to pages 33-36 Ministering Cross-Culturally.

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Lingenfelter and Mayers Personal Profile

To complete the table below. In the first section "Time", above the number '11', write the score which you selected for that question in the questionnaire. For example if you answered 5 for statement '11' then write 5 above the number '11' in the table. Continue in the same way for each statement until all the boxes are full. Some responses are used in more than one place.

Total the scores for each row and divide by five to obtain your average.

							Total	Average
1	Time							
		11	19	23	25	48		
2	Event							
		5	24	29	31	47		
3	Dichotomistic thinking							
		6	10	15	33	46		
4	Holistic thinking							
		1	7	20	26	45		
5	Crisis							
		6	12	16	30	44		
6	Non Crisis							
		7	9	21	34	43		
7	Task							
		8	12	17	27	42		
8	Person							
		2	39	22	31	41		
9	Status							
		10	18	32	33	38		
10	Achievement							
		4	14	20	36	37		
11	Conceal vulnerability							
		3	23	32	35	40		
12	Show vulnerability							
		9	13	28	34	39		