

A Book Review: **50 Best Jobs for Your Personality**

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Would you dig into a book full of statistics on the job market? Many shun a book full of numbers unless there are helpful summaries. Laurence Shatkin, Ph.D., has created those helpful summaries and packaged them into a career book, **50 Best Jobs for Your Personality**. Shatkin's book has eye-catching lists such as, *Best Jobs Not Behind a Desk*, *Best World-Improving Jobs*, *The 20 Enterprising Jobs with the Most Job Openings* or *The 20 Best-Paying Investigative Jobs*. These intriguing lists of jobs are based upon sound, publicly-available data sources from the United States Census Bureau, Department of Labor and Department of Education.



50 Best Jobs for Your Personality includes a paper and pencil test of the Personality Type Inventory derived from the government's computerized O*Net Interest Profiler (www.mynextmove.org/explore/ip). The six main personality types are: Realistic, Investigative, Artistic, Social, Enterprising and Conventional, commonly abbreviated as RIASEC. The reader determines their individual primary and secondary personality types for Shatkin's career guidance on the 50 best jobs.



This book goes beyond personality type to look at annual earnings, earnings growth potential, annual job openings, job growth, and percentage of self-employed. Readers can learn a lot by reading information on job descriptions, education/training required, knowledge base, skills, and work environment. These facts are important to providing a more comprehensive look on career potential. The eye-catching lists add a critical dimension; this book is fun to read. For students, parents, teachers and counselors who are interested in learning about different careers, **50 Best Jobs for Your Personality** is worth investigating.