How to Use Your Signature Strengths

When you discover a new strength, it can be exciting and overwhelming. You may not know how to harness it to help promote personal growth and success.

This worksheet provides an outline of each character strength, as well as some ways you can apply each in your everyday life. Fill out the <u>VIA Strength Assessment</u> to learn more about your untapped character strengths.

1) Creativity

Draw a picture or create a painting detailing your favorite activity or place.

2) Curiosity

Try a new activity or hobby for the first time.

3) Judgement

Educate yourself on two different viewpoints of the same issue.

4) Love of Learning

Pick a skill that you've always wanted to learn and watch a how-to video introducing you to it.

5) Perspective

Write down your thoughts on an event and list possible solutions.

6) Bravery

Write down one thing that you are hesitant to do and take the first step towards conquering it.

7) Perseverance

Complete a task you have been procrastinating completing.

8) Honesty

Try to be completely truthful in all your interactions with others for one day.

9) Zest

Express your energy in a new and exciting way.

10) Love

Do something to show your appreciation for someone you care about.

11) Kindness

Do something kind for yourself.

12) Social Intelligence

Start a conversation with someone you've never met.

13) Teamwork

Work collaboratively with someone at work, at home or in your friend group to complete a task.

14) Fairness

Educate yourself about an issue where there is a group that is marginalized and come up with an initiative to contribute to the cause.

15) Leadership

Read about the tenants of leadership and apply them to a situation where you need to be assertive.

16) Forgiveness

Forgive yourself for one of your past mistakes.

17) Humility

Ask someone you trust to give you feedback on where you can improve.

18) Prudence

Take a minute to think of alternate outcomes before making a decision.

19) Self-Regulation

When you feel stressed out, take 3 deep breaths and engage in a mindful moment.

20) Appreciation of Beauty and Excellence

Find something beautiful, in nature or in your home, that stands out to you.

21) Gratitude

Start a gratitude journal where you document things you are grateful for.

22) **Hope**

Consider a struggle or problem you are having and write down two thoughts that bring you comfort.

23) Humor

Do something spontaneous and playful in the mirror.

24) Spirituality

Read about different types of religion and spirituality. Identify a belief that resonates with you.