# Your CliftonStrengths 34 Results

You are uniquely powerful. Your distinct CliftonStrengths 34 profile sets you apart from everyone else. This is your talent DNA, shown in rank order based on your responses to the assessment.

Use this report to make the most of your strongest CliftonStrengths themes, navigate the rest and maximize your infinite potential:

- Read and reflect on your results to understand what you naturally do best.
- Learn how to apply your strongest CliftonStrengths every day.
- Share your results with others to create stronger relationships and improve teamwork.



#### **STRENGTHEN**

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#### You lead with **Relationship**

**Building** CliftonStrengths themes.

- **EXECUTING** themes help you make things happen.
- **INFLUENCING** themes help you take charge, speak up and make sure others are heard.

#### RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

themes help you build strong relationships that hold a team together.

#### STRATEGIC THINKING

themes help you absorb and analyze information that informs better decisions.

READ "IDENTIFY YOUR UNIQUE CONTRIBUTION: THE CLIFTONSTRENGTHS DOMAINS" SECTION TO LEARN MORE >

# Unleash Your Infinite Potential: Your Strongest CliftonStrengths



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#### The CliftonStrengths at the top of your profile are the most powerful.

These themes represent how you are uniquely talented. They are the starting point for living your strongest life possible.

#### **Develop these CliftonStrengths to maximize your potential**

Your greatest chance to succeed — at work or anywhere else — lies in strengthening what you naturally do best and doing more of it.

#### Start with your top five.

They are your most powerful natural talents.

- 1. Read everything about your top CliftonStrengths. To make the most of your talents, you first need to understand them and how to describe them to others.
- 2. Reflect on who you are. Think about your experiences, your motivations and how you see yourself. Then, consider how your CliftonStrengths shape you: what you do, how you do it and why.
- 3. **Use these CliftonStrengths every day.** Start with the suggestions in this report for applying your most powerful CliftonStrengths.
- 4. Watch out for blind spots. Sometimes how you exhibit your strongest CliftonStrengths can cause unintended negative misperceptions. Read the "What Is a Weakness?" section to learn more about preventing your strongest CliftonStrengths from getting in your way.

#### Then focus on your CliftonStrengths 6-10.

Apply the same strategies to make the most of your next five CliftonStrengths. You will excel and become the absolute best version of yourself when you take a strengths-based approach to your life. Do more of what you do best, and you'll feel more engaged, empowered and energized.



## 1. Connectedness

#### **HOW YOU CAN THRIVE**

You have faith in the links among all things. You believe there are few coincidences and that almost every event has meaning.

#### WHY YOUR CONNECTEDNESS IS UNIQUE

These personalized Strengths Insights are specific to your CliftonStrengths results.

Driven by your talents, you often are the one who helps people understand how they are linked across time, distance, race, ethnicity, religion, economic levels, languages, or cultures. You make it possible for individuals to work together. You aim to break down barriers that separate them.

Because of your strengths, you sense you are linked to all humanity. You contend that harming another human being eventually harms you. Misusing the environment has personal consequences, you argue. This perspective on life influences your thoughts, actions, decisions, or choices.

Instinctively, you underscore what people have in common even though their backgrounds, experiences, languages, cultures, or interests vary greatly. You facilitate dialogue between individuals. You create peace within groups and between people by linking them to one another.

It's very likely that you consider people more important than things. The value you place on humankind guides your decision-making. It also influences what you say and do as well as what you choose not to say and do.

Chances are good that you sense every event is somehow the consequence of a series of actions, reactions, or lack of actions. You can accept that which cannot be fully explained using logic. You say there are no accidents. You are confident that things are linked together for a purpose that may or may not be revealed to you.

#### WHY YOU SUCCEED USING CONNECTEDNESS

You build bridges between people and groups. You help others find meaning by looking at the bigger picture of the world around them, and you give them a sense of comfort and stability in the face of uncertainty.

#### TAKE ACTION TO MAXIMIZE YOUR POTENTIAL

Help others see connections and purpose in everyday life.

- Use your sense of connection to build the foundation for strong relationships. When you
  meet new people, ask them questions to find common ground and shared interests that
  you can use as a starting point.
- Consider roles in which you listen to and counsel others. You could become an expert at helping people see connections and purpose in everyday occurrences.
- Help those around you cope with unpredictable and unexplainable events. Your perspective will bring them comfort.
- Show your friends and coworkers how they are connected to those around them. Point out specific examples of how their actions directly and indirectly affect others.
- Help your teammates and colleagues better understand how their efforts fit into the bigger picture. When people see that what they are doing is important and part of something larger than themselves, they will be more committed to the goal, and your team will be stronger.

- You may react more calmly and passively to others' bad news, frustrations or concerns than they would like. Be aware that people sometimes need to vent and will want you to validate their feelings more than they want a philosophical response.
- Some may perceive you as naïve or idealistic because turmoil and upheaval likely trouble you. Remember that not everyone shares your connected view of humanity or believes that every negative event ultimately affects everyone.



#### **STRATEGIC THINKING**

# 2. Strategic

#### **HOW YOU CAN THRIVE**

You create alternative ways to proceed. Faced with any given scenario, you can quickly spot the relevant patterns and issues.

#### WHY YOUR STRATEGIC IS UNIQUE

These personalized Strengths Insights are specific to your CliftonStrengths results.

Instinctively, you commonly opt to work by yourself. You trust your talents, knowledge, and skills to identify problems. You consider numerous solutions before you pinpoint the most appropriate course of action. Questions and answers materialize without a lot of effort on your part.

Driven by your talents, you realize you can identify a variety of problems and respond to a wide range of questions. You probably can pinpoint specific times when you proposed alternative ways of doing things. You probably recall giving answers no one else considered. You are aware that your subconscious mind continuously absorbs information and creates possible options.

It's very likely that you select the right combination of words to convey your ideas or feelings. In the middle of discussions, your vocabulary provides you with precise phrases and terminology. You probably express yourself with ease and grace.

Because of your strengths, you are innovative, inventive, original, and resourceful. Your mind allows you to venture beyond the commonplace, the familiar, or the obvious. You entertain ideas about the best ways to reach a goal, increase productivity, or solve a problem. First, you think of alternatives. Then you choose the best option.

By nature, you demonstrate an ease with language. You effortlessly verbalize your thoughts. You relish the opportunity to share your insights. You derive pleasure from actively participating in conversations when group members propose ideas, seek solutions, or debate issues.

#### WHY YOU SUCCEED USING STRATEGIC

You quickly weigh alternative paths and determine the best one. Your natural ability to anticipate, play out different scenarios and plan ahead makes you an agile decision-maker.

#### TAKE ACTION TO MAXIMIZE YOUR POTENTIAL

Always have at least three options in mind so you can adapt if circumstances change.

- Strengthen the groups you belong to by using your talent to discover the best path to success. Because you can do this quickly, it may look as if you are "winging it," so explain yourself along the way to help others understand what you see.
- Schedule time each day to think about your goals and strategies. Time alone might be the
  best way for you to evaluate all your options and to find the right course of action for each
  goal.
- Trust your insights. Because you consider options so naturally and easily, you might not
  realize how you came up with a strategy. But because of your exceptional talents, it will likely
  be successful.
- Find a group that does important work, and contribute your strategic thinking. Your ideas and expert planning can make you a strong leader in any group.
- Be prepared to explain your thought process; sometimes people can misinterpret your Strategic talents as criticism of their ideas. Help them understand that, instead, you are considering what is already working well and what others have already done.

- When working with others, sometimes they may misinterpret your strong Strategic talents as criticism. Be mindful of what is already working well and what others have accomplished.
- Because you evaluate patterns and pathways so quickly, others might find it difficult to
  follow or understand your thought process. Be aware that sometimes, you might have to
  backtrack to explain how you got to where you are.



# 3. Empathy

#### **HOW YOU CAN THRIVE**

You can sense other people's feelings by imagining yourself in others' lives or situations.

#### WHY YOUR EMPATHY IS UNIQUE

These personalized Strengths Insights are specific to your CliftonStrengths results.

Driven by your talents, you are filled with awe by beauty in the world, in people, and in the cosmos. Whether you gaze upon nature's wonders or marvel at the work of human hands, you are filled with wonder. You can suddenly stop what you are doing to watch a sunset, listen to the rustle of leaves, stand before a work of art, hear a piece of music, look through a telescope, or hold a newborn child. You experience beauty at a level many people cannot imagine. Once the moment has passed, you can still picture the scene or hear the sound in your memory.

It's very likely that you regularly reflect on how you felt about your experiences as they occurred. You usually ponder how you felt afterward, too. Your emotional awareness sharpens your thinking. You are doubly blessed: You think with your head and feel with your heart.

Because of your strengths, you are determined to discover each person's uniqueness. A compassionate individual, you tune in to the emotions of your coworkers, teammates, classmates, friends, or family members. You probably dare to name people's feelings. This is one way you help them talk through their disappointment, anger, sadness, joy, success, or satisfaction.

By nature, you often soothe and quiet people who become frustrated, agitated, angry, distraught, or upset. Your awareness of the unpredictable and changeable moods of individuals equips you to monitor their feelings, thoughts, and experiences from one moment to the next.

Instinctively, you are keenly aware of people's feelings, needs, and thoughts. You can interpret what someone is saying as well as what the person is not saying. You naturally translate the meaning of nonverbal cues, such as smiles, frowns, raised eyebrows, crossed arms, or handshakes.

#### WHY YOU SUCCEED USING EMPATHY

You have great emotional depth. Your awareness of the expression, value and implications of others' emotions makes them feel like you understand them.

#### TAKE ACTION TO MAXIMIZE YOUR POTENTIAL

Appreciate and refine your gift for understanding others' thoughts and feelings.

- Create a list of great questions that help others describe their emotions and experiences. Experiment using these questions with friends. Refine your list by keeping the questions that best help others express their thoughts and feelings.
- Practice refining the words you use to name your own feelings as well as those you
  observe in others. Try this: Journal your emotions for one week. Stop throughout the day to
  capture what you are feeling. Try to use different words to describe your experience each
  time.
- Be sure to decompress at the end of each day. Develop a routine that allows you to unwind and relax. If you don't, at times, the depth of your emotions might overwhelm or drain you.
- Refine your nonverbal communication. Sometimes it is better to be silent. You have the talent to show other people that you know how they feel without saying a word.
- Act quickly and firmly if people are behaving in a way that is unhealthy for them or those around them. Understanding individuals' emotional states does not mean that you must excuse their behavior.

- Pay attention to your energy levels. Constantly experiencing others' emotions can be draining, so try to occasionally disconnect from all the emotions so you don't get burned out.
- Because you are so sensitive to others' emotions, some people might think you are prying
  or overinvolved in their lives. Be careful not to overstep when others prefer to keep their
  feelings to themselves.



#### STRATEGIC THINKING

## 4. Intellection

#### **HOW YOU CAN THRIVE**

You are characterized by your intellectual activity. You are introspective and appreciate intellectual discussions.

#### WHY YOUR INTELLECTION IS UNIQUE

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Chances are good that you may enjoy reading about certain topics that fascinate you. People are not surprised to find you with your nose in a book and reading. When a particular subject intrigues you, you might review a wide range of materials. Perhaps this is how you collect bits and pieces of information about your areas of interest.

Because of your strengths, you may prepare for certain kinds of assignments by reading a lot. Perhaps your capacity for pulling together information from books, publications, correspondence, notes, or Internet sites serves you well. Your reading might help you avoid feelings of self-reproach — that is, blaming yourself for not knowing something you should have known.

Instinctively, you routinely set aside a block of time each week to simply think about what you need to do. This practice likely has contributed to many of your accomplishments as a solo performer.

By nature, you pay close attention to current events. Numerous people merely recount what they heard, saw, or read. Typically you dive deeper into the topic. You are likely to generate theories, concepts, or philosophies to explain the reasoning behind newsmakers' decisions. You routinely gather information about events, policy statements, people, or crises. Your fresh insights are likely to draw equally engaged thinkers into the conversation.

It's very likely that you relish the nuances and intricacies of language. Your sophisticated or specialized vocabulary allows you to choose words for their power and clarity. Whether speaking or writing, you convey what you are thinking and feeling in a forceful, matter-of-fact manner. Usually no one has to second-guess — that is, wonder about — the true meaning of your intentions, messages, expectations, or orders.

#### WHY YOU SUCCEED USING INTELLECTION

You love to think, muse and reflect. Your powerful mental processing and intellectual activity empower you to clarify and explain, regardless of the topic or situation.

#### TAKE ACTION TO MAXIMIZE YOUR POTENTIAL

Think deeply. Think often.

- Set aside a few minutes every day to collect your thoughts. This reflection time will energize you, and your thinking will become sharper and more effective.
- Get involved in big projects or initiatives in the early stages, before the action begins. You
  have the ability to follow a trail to see where it leads, and your insights enable projects to
  move forward intelligently and without backtracking.
- Take time to write. Writing might be the best way to crystallize and integrate your thoughts. Make a list of your best ideas, and refer to it often. Revisiting your thoughts can give you valuable insights.
- Give people time to think through the thoughts and ideas you present. Remember that they
  have not spent as much time as you have pondering, so they might not grasp your
  message right away.
- Deliberately build relationships with people you consider to be "big thinkers." Their example will inspire you to focus your own thinking.

- Because you are comfortable with silence and solitude, others might view you as isolated, disinterested or disengaged. Be prepared to tell them that solitary thinking is just your natural process and not necessarily a reflection of how much you care.
- Some people might think you create needless complexity during discussions and may
  want you to make decisions faster than you do. Consider tailoring your approach;
  sometimes it's better to keep it simple and go more in depth later.



#### STRATEGIC THINKING

## 5. Input

#### **HOW YOU CAN THRIVE**

You have a need to collect and archive. You may accumulate information, ideas, artifacts or even relationships.

#### WHY YOUR INPUT IS UNIQUE

These personalized Strengths Insights are specific to your CliftonStrengths results.

Chances are good that you habitually bring together all sorts of information so you can refer to it later. At the instant you collect a fact, example, story, or piece of data, typically you are eager to use it. You trust it is valuable. Your fascination with knowledge has probably been part of you even before you formed the words to ask your first question.

Instinctively, you sometimes absorb the written word like a sponge absorbs water. You might revel in an opportunity to lose yourself in a book. Time may seem to float by when you are the grateful guest of an entertaining or informative author. Perhaps your only choice is to finish the book as quickly as possible.

It's very likely that you eagerly welcome opportunities to think out loud about ideas, theories, or philosophies. You derive pleasure from conversations that force you to ponder matters that exist only in the realm of thought, not in reality.

Because of your strengths, you occasionally recount — that is, tell in detail — some of the stories you have read in newspapers, books, magazines, research reports, correspondence, or public records. Maybe the more you satisfy your desire to read, the more tales you have to tell. Perhaps few activities delight you as much as evoking images in your listeners' minds that bring forth laughter and tears.

Driven by your talents, you may be attracted to the written word. Each discovery might raise new questions. Each insight might enable you to forge linkages between facts, statements, events or data. The more you read, the more you may know — but the more you know, the more you may realize what else you need to know. Through reading, you sometimes acquire knowledge or gain new skills. Perhaps you feel happy when you are growing and becoming more independent.

#### WHY YOU SUCCEED USING INPUT

You seek and store information. Your pursuit of mastery and access to knowledge empowers you to make credible and well-informed decisions.

#### TAKE ACTION TO MAXIMIZE YOUR POTENTIAL

Keep exploring; always be curious.

- Find out more about areas you want to specialize in. Consider jobs or volunteer
  opportunities where you can acquire and share information every day, such as teaching,
  journalism or research work.
- Regularly read books and articles that motivate you. Increase your vocabulary by collecting new words and learning their meaning.
- Devise a system to store and easily locate information you have found so you can access it
  quickly. Use whatever approach works best for you a file for articles you have saved, a
  database or spreadsheet, or a list of your favorite websites.
- Position yourself as an expert. Share your exceptional archive of facts, data and ideas with others when they need help or advice.
- Seek out subject-matter experts who would be interested in knowing what you are learning and who would find it stimulating to hear about the questions and ideas you generate through your exploration.

- Unrestrained input can lead to intellectual or physical clutter. Consider occasionally taking
  inventory and purging what you don't need so that your surroundings and your mind —
  don't become overloaded.
- You might have a tendency to give people so much information or so many resources that
  you can overload and overwhelm them. Before you share your discoveries with others,
  consider sorting out what is most meaningful so they don't lose interest.



# 6. Developer

#### **HOW YOU CAN THRIVE**

You recognize and cultivate the potential in others. You spot the signs of each small improvement and derive satisfaction from evidence of progress.

#### WHY YOU SUCCEED USING DEVELOPER

You see the raw potential in people and even small signs of progress as you actively invest in their development. Your encouragement helps others learn, grow and improve.

#### TAKE ACTION TO MAXIMIZE YOUR POTENTIAL

Recognize and cultivate the potential in others.

- Make a list of people you would like to coach or mentor people whose potential, signs of
  growth and strengths you have noticed. Offer to meet with them regularly, even if only for a
  few minutes, to discuss their goals and strengths.
- Call, text or email people who need your encouragement the most. Your natural ability to nurture and inspire might be just what they need to hear.
- Try not to spend all your time encouraging people who are consistently struggling in their
  role. Sometimes the best developmental action is to help them find a different role one
  that fits.

- You may become overinvested in someone's development and feel personally responsible
  if they are struggling. Accept that sometimes, the best option is for them to find their own
  path forward.
- Be careful not to devote so much time to other people that you forget to invest in your own development. Remember that you can't help others if you don't take time to work on yourself.



### EXECUTING

# 7. Responsibility

#### **HOW YOU CAN THRIVE**

You take psychological ownership of what you say you will do. You are committed to stable values such as honesty and loyalty.

#### WHY YOU SUCCEED USING RESPONSIBILITY

You have a deep sense of dedication and feel ownership for your commitments. You are a person of your word, and others know they can rely on and trust you.

#### TAKE ACTION TO MAXIMIZE YOUR POTENTIAL

Take ownership for the things that matter most to you.

- Always check your schedule and to-do list before taking on a new request. This will help
  you realistically meet all of your commitments without overworking yourself and
  demonstrate to others that you are serious about your responsibilities.
- Align yourself with those who share your sense of commitment. You will thrive when you are surrounded by others who take their responsibilities as seriously as you do.
- Be an ethical watchdog for your school, organization or community by taking action to eliminate and prevent any unethical behavior you see.

- Because you find it difficult to turn down others' requests, sometimes you overcommit. Try
  to manage your Responsibility talents by giving up something before you take on a new
  task.
- Too many obligations can keep you from spending time with the most important people in your life. Remember that sometimes, no is the best answer for the health of your relationships.



## 8. Positivity

#### **HOW YOU CAN THRIVE**

You have contagious enthusiasm. You are upbeat and can get others excited about what they are going to do.

#### WHY YOU SUCCEED USING POSITIVITY

You have an infectious energy and enthusiasm. As someone who offers genuine encouragement and an optimistic outlook on life, you have the power to make people feel better when you are around.

#### TAKE ACTION TO MAXIMIZE YOUR POTENTIAL

Help others see the humor and positive side of life.

- Encourage others to keep their eyes on the positive by helping them see what's going well for them.
- Arm yourself with good stories, jokes and sayings to lighten the mood. Never
  underestimate the effect that you can have on others. Many people likely rely on your
  optimism to help them rise above their daily frustrations.
- Celebrate. Whether it's a holiday, an event or someone's success, be the one to plan the party. Turn small achievements into big events, or host regular celebrations that others can look forward to.

- Sometimes your optimism and generosity with praise might come off as superficial, naïve
  or insincere. Make sure your positivity and admiration are always genuine; you can do more
  damage with false praise than with criticism.
- Be careful not to point out the positive side of a bad situation before others have the chance to fully vent. Acknowledge that sometimes people are not ready to hear the bright side and just need you to listen.



## 9. Relator

#### **HOW YOU CAN THRIVE**

You enjoy close relationships with others. You find deep satisfaction in working hard with friends to achieve a goal.

#### WHY YOU SUCCEED USING RELATOR

You naturally form genuine and mutually rewarding one-on-one relationships. Your authenticity allows you to build close, long-lasting connections that foster trust and confidence.

#### TAKE ACTION TO MAXIMIZE YOUR POTENTIAL

Connect deeply with the right people to gain friends for life.

- Try to get one-on-one time with people, rather than attempting to connect with them in a group. This will help you build the deeper and trusting relationships you value most.
- Stay in contact with your friends, no matter how busy you are. Your closest relationships energize you.
- Make sure people know that you are more interested in their character and personality than in their status or job title. You might serve as a model for others.

- Because Relators typically do not trust others implicitly and people have to earn your trust
  over time, some may think you are hard to get to know. Be aware of this perception with
  new people you meet as well as with the people you see every day.
- Your tendency to spend more time with the people you know best might give the
  impression that you are exclusive or unfriendly to those outside your inner circle. Consider
  that you might be missing out on the benefits of widening the circle and getting to know
  more people.



#### **INFLUENCING**

## 10. Communication

#### **HOW YOU CAN THRIVE**

You generally find it easy to put your thoughts into words. You are a good conversationalist and presenter.

#### WHY YOU SUCCEED USING COMMUNICATION

You are good at capturing people's attention by what you say and how you say it. Your ability to find words for your own and others' thoughts and feelings highlights important messages and helps you make meaningful connections.

#### TAKE ACTION TO MAXIMIZE YOUR POTENTIAL

Use your gift for stimulating conversation to connect with and inspire others.

- Monitor your audience. Carefully watch how they react to what you say and what engages them. Identify the words and phrases that caught their attention. Refine your upcoming presentations, conversations and speeches to focus on these highlights.
- Keep getting smarter about the words you use. They are a critical currency for you. Spend them wisely, and monitor their impact.
- Take your Communication talents to the level of strength by developing your knowledge and expertise in specific areas. You can be highly effective and influential when your message has substance.

- Because you are naturally verbal and instinctively share your thoughts, you may not realize
  when you are monopolizing a discussion. Try to be mindful of when other people have
  something to say, and consider pausing so they can say it.
- Remember that your words are not always enough to motivate others. Take time to listen
  and pay attention to what others are saying and not saying.

# Navigate the Rest of Your CliftonStrengths



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Your greatest opportunity to reach your full potential is developing and using your strongest CliftonStrengths. But it is also important to understand all 34 of your CliftonStrengths themes.

#### Your unique CliftonStrengths 34 profile

The themes toward the top of your CliftonStrengths 34 profile might show up regularly in your life, and the ones closer to the bottom might not show up at all.

To fully understand your talent DNA, consider how all your CliftonStrengths themes, separately or in combination, influence your work and personal life. In addition to concentrating on your top 10 themes:

- Navigate the middle. You might notice these CliftonStrengths themes in your behaviors from time to time. And you may need to rely on them in certain situations. Think of these themes as a support system you can use when you need to.
- Manage the bottom. Just as your top CliftonStrengths show you
  who you are, those at the bottom may tell you who you are not. They
  aren't necessarily weaknesses, but they are your least powerful
  themes. If you don't manage them properly, they could prevent you
  from maximizing your potential.
- **Identify weaknesses.** To determine if any themes are getting in your way, review the "What Is a Weakness?" section on the next page, and find out how to overcome potential obstacles to your success.

To learn more about your entire CliftonStrengths profile, see the "Your CliftonStrengths 34 Theme Sequence" section at the end of the report.

## What Is a Weakness?



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Focusing on your CliftonStrengths doesn't mean you can ignore your weaknesses.

## Gallup defines a weakness as anything that gets in the way of your success.

While the CliftonStrengths assessment does not mathematically quantify weaknesses, you can use your profile to understand how *any* of your CliftonStrengths themes might prevent you from maximizing your potential.

Your strongest CliftonStrengths are your best opportunity for success. But in some situations and with some people, these same themes can hinder your effectiveness and become blind spots.

The themes at the bottom of your profile can also get in the way of your success. They aren't necessarily weaknesses, but they likely do not come naturally to you.

#### To identify potential weaknesses, ask yourself:

- Does this theme ever undermine my success?
- Have I ever received negative feedback related to this theme?
- Does my role require me to use this theme, but I feel drained when I do?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, you may be discovering areas of weakness. Don't ignore your weaknesses. Instead, focus on your strengths, and work to manage the areas that get in your way.

#### How do I manage my weaknesses?

- Claim them: Know your weaknesses and how they get in your way
- Collaborate: Ask partners for support
- Apply a strength: Use a different theme to achieve a better outcome
- Just do it: Lean in and do your best

# Identify Your Unique Contribution: The CliftonStrengths Domains

While your CliftonStrengths 34 profile helps you understand *who* you are, there is also power in knowing *how* you make things happen, influence others, build relationships and process information. The framework of the four CliftonStrengths domains — Executing, Influencing, Relationship Building and Strategic Thinking — is another way to think about your CliftonStrengths and how you contribute when you join, create or lead a team.

The best teams are made up of individuals who understand their own — and others' — unique contribution to the team. This awareness and appreciation empowers the team to be more cohesive, versatile, productive and engaged.

However, be careful not to let the four domains limit your thinking. If you don't have any top themes in a particular domain, don't worry. That doesn't mean you can't think strategically or build relationships, for example. Everyone accomplishes tasks, influences others, builds relationships and processes information. You just use your stronger themes in different domains to get to the same outcome.

The next page shows you how your unique CliftonStrengths profile sorts into the four domains. Knowing which domain you lead with can help you understand your most powerful contribution.

#### The CliftonStrengths Domains

#### EXECUTING

People with dominant Executing themes make things happen.

# RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

People with dominant
Relationship Building themes
build strong relationships that
hold a team together and make it
greater than the sum of its parts.

#### **INFLUENCING**

People with dominant Influencing themes take charge, speak up and make sure others are heard.

#### STRATEGIC THINKING

People with dominant Strategic Thinking themes absorb and analyze information that informs better decisions.

# You lead with **Relationship Building** CliftonStrengths themes.

You know how to build strong relationships that can hold a team together and make the team greater than the sum of its parts.



This chart shows the relative distribution of your unique CliftonStrengths 34 results across the four domains. These categories are a good starting point for you to examine where you have the most potential to perform with excellence and how you can best contribute to a team.

See chart below for more detail about your CliftonStrengths by domain.

#### Your CliftonStrengths by Domain

EXECUTING		INFLUENCING		RELATIONSHIP BUILDING		STRATEGIC THINKING	
24	20	27	15	16	26	28	5
Achiever	Discipline	Activator	Maximizer	Adaptability	Includer	Analytical	Input
12	31	25	21	T	11	32	4
Arranger	Focus	Command	Self-Assurance	Connectedness	Individualization	Context	Intellection
17	7	10	34	6	8	23	13
Belief	Responsibility	Communication	Significance	Developer	Positivity	Futuristic	Learner
22	29	30	18	3	9	14	2
Consistency	Restorative	Competition	Woo	Empathy	Relator	Ideation	Strategic
33 Deliberative				19 Harmony			

## Take Action

Discovering your CliftonStrengths is only the beginning. Achieving excellence depends on your ability to develop and apply your CliftonStrengths and maximize your potential.

Now, take the next steps:

- Share your CliftonStrengths with others. Conversations with those closest to you can accelerate your CliftonStrengths development.
- Find a Gallup-Certified Strengths Coach. A coach can help you learn to productively apply your CliftonStrengths regardless of the situation.
- Apply your strongest CliftonStrengths every day. Read the suggestions in your report, and use the following statements to guide you.

#### HOW YOU CAN THRIVE WITH YOUR TOP CLIFTONSTRENGTHS

#### **Connectedness**

Help others see connections and purpose in everyday life.

#### **Strategic**

Always have at least three options in mind so you can adapt if circumstances change.

#### **Empathy**

Appreciate and refine your gift for understanding others' thoughts and feelings.

#### Intellection

Think deeply. Think often.

#### Input

Keep exploring; always be curious.

#### **Developer**

Recognize and cultivate the potential in others.

#### Responsibility

Take ownership for the things that matter most to you.

#### **Positivity**

Help others see the humor and positive side of life.

#### Relator

Connect deeply with the right people to gain friends for life.

#### Communication

Use your gift for stimulating conversation to connect with and inspire others.

# Your CliftonStrengths 34 Theme Sequence

#### 1. Connectedness

#### RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

People exceptionally talented in the Connectedness theme have faith in the links among all things. They believe there are few coincidences and that almost every event has meaning.

#### 2. Strategic

#### STRATEGIC THINKING

People exceptionally talented in the Strategic theme create alternative ways to proceed. Faced with any given scenario, they can quickly spot the relevant patterns and issues.

#### 3. Empathy

#### RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

People exceptionally talented in the Empathy theme can sense other people's feelings by imagining themselves in others' lives or situations.

#### 4. Intellection

#### STRATEGIC THINKING

People exceptionally talented in the Intellection theme are characterized by their intellectual activity. They are introspective and appreciate intellectual discussions.

#### 5. Input

#### STRATEGIC THINKING

People exceptionally talented in the Input theme have a need to collect and archive. They may accumulate information, ideas, artifacts or even relationships.

#### 6. Developer

#### RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

People exceptionally talented in the Developer theme recognize and cultivate the potential in others. They spot the signs of each small improvement and derive satisfaction from evidence of progress.

#### 7. Responsibility

#### EXECUTING

People exceptionally talented in the Responsibility theme take psychological ownership of what they say they will do. They are committed to stable values such as honesty and loyalty.

#### 8. Positivity

#### RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

People exceptionally talented in the Positivity theme have contagious enthusiasm. They are upbeat and can get others excited about what they are going to do.

#### 9. Relator

#### RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

People exceptionally talented in the Relator theme enjoy close relationships with others. They find deep satisfaction in working hard with friends to achieve a goal.

#### 10. Communication

#### INFLUENCING

People exceptionally talented in the Communication theme generally find it easy to put their thoughts into words. They are good conversationalists and presenters.

#### 11. Individualization

#### RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

People exceptionally talented in the Individualization theme are intrigued with the unique qualities of each person. They have a gift for figuring out how different people can work together productively.

#### 12. Arranger

#### **EXECUTING**

People exceptionally talented in the Arranger theme can organize, but they also have a flexibility that complements this ability. They like to determine how all of the pieces and resources can be arranged for maximum productivity.

#### 13. Learner

#### STRATEGIC THINKING

People exceptionally talented in the Learner theme have a great desire to learn and want to continuously improve. The process of learning, rather than the outcome, excites them.

#### 14. Ideation

#### STRATEGIC THINKING

People exceptionally talented in the Ideation theme are fascinated by ideas. They are able to find connections between seemingly disparate phenomena.

#### 15. Maximizer

#### INFLUENCING

People exceptionally talented in the Maximizer theme focus on strengths as a way to stimulate personal and group excellence. They seek to transform something strong into something superb.

#### 16. Adaptability

#### RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

People exceptionally talented in the Adaptability theme prefer to go with the flow. They tend to be "now" people who take things as they come and discover the future one day at a time.

#### 17. Belief

#### **EXECUTING**

People exceptionally talented in the Belief theme have certain core values that are unchanging. Out of these values emerges a defined purpose for their lives.

#### 18. Woo

#### INFLUENCING

People exceptionally talented in the Woo theme love the challenge of meeting new people and winning them over. They derive satisfaction from breaking the ice and making a connection with someone.

#### 19. Harmony

#### RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

People exceptionally talented in the Harmony theme look for consensus. They don't enjoy conflict; rather, they seek areas of agreement.

#### 20. Discipline

#### **EXECUTING**

People exceptionally talented in the Discipline theme enjoy routine and structure. Their world is best described by the order they create.

#### 21. Self-Assurance

#### INFLUENCING

People exceptionally talented in the Self-Assurance theme feel confident in their ability to take risks and manage their own lives. They have an inner compass that gives them certainty in their decisions.

#### 22. Consistency

#### EXECUTING

People exceptionally talented in the Consistency theme are keenly aware of the need to treat people the same. They crave stable routines and clear rules and procedures that everyone can follow.

#### 23. Futuristic

#### STRATEGIC THINKING

People exceptionally talented in the Futuristic theme are inspired by the future and what could be. They energize others with their visions of the future.

#### 24. Achiever

#### EXECUTING

People exceptionally talented in the Achiever theme work hard and possess a great deal of stamina. They take immense satisfaction in being busy and productive.

#### 25. Command

#### INFLUENCING

People exceptionally talented in the Command theme have presence. They can take control of a situation and make decisions.

#### 26. Includer

#### RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

People exceptionally talented in the Includer theme accept others. They show awareness of those who feel left out and make an effort to include them.

#### 27. Activator

#### INFLUENCING

People exceptionally talented in the Activator theme can make things happen by turning thoughts into action. They want to do things now, rather than simply talk about them.

#### 28. Analytical

#### STRATEGIC THINKING

People exceptionally talented in the Analytical theme search for reasons and causes. They have the ability to think about all of the factors that might affect a situation.

#### 29. Restorative

#### EXECUTING

People exceptionally talented in the Restorative theme are adept at dealing with problems. They are good at figuring out what is wrong and resolving it.

#### 30. Competition

#### INFLUENCING

People exceptionally talented in the Competition theme measure their progress against the performance of others. They strive to win first place and revel in contests.

#### 31. Focus

#### EXECUTING

People exceptionally talented in the Focus theme can take a direction, follow through and make the corrections necessary to stay on track. They prioritize, then act.

#### 32. Context

#### STRATEGIC THINKING

People exceptionally talented in the Context theme enjoy thinking about the past. They understand the present by researching its history.

#### 33. Deliberative

#### **EXECUTING**

People exceptionally talented in the Deliberative theme are best described by the serious care they take in making decisions or choices. They anticipate obstacles.

#### 34. Significance

#### INFLUENCING

People exceptionally talented in the Significance theme want to make a big impact. They are independent and prioritize projects based on how much influence they will have on their organization or people around them.