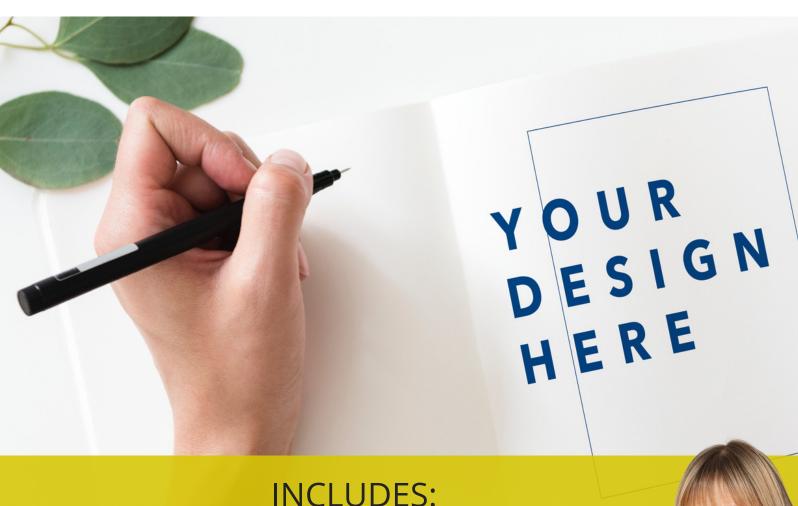


Career Clarity Creative Kit



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VALUES WORKSHEET

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CAREER SUCCESS ACTION PLANNER



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EXPLORING & IDENTIFYING YOUR PERSONAL VALUES





Values are perhaps the most vital part of the jigsaw of your life in terms of understanding what motivates and fulfils you. We all have values but we are mostly unconscious of them. This exercise brings them up to the surface and helps you get crystal clear about what makes you tick.

For you to be happy and fulfilled in you work, you must be honouring your most important values. So here we're aiming to uncover all your values – and then focus in on your Top Five Values.

Look at the table of values below.

Take a moment to consider each value and its importance to you personally. Ask yourself is it (1) not at all important in my life (2) fairly important in my life, (3) very important in my life or (4) extremely important in my life.

Against each value, in the right hand column, mark 1, 2, 3 or 4 depending on its importance, as indicated above.

Many values seem quite similar. Some seem like personal values and some seem like universal values or principles. Don't worry about that. Just give a mark that reflects how you feel in your heart. Or if you prefer, cluster a few together, for example:

appreciation/acknowledgment/recognition.

When you've finished going through the table, pick out the values you've marked with a 4. If there are 5 or less, look at those you've marked with a 3 and try to identify the most important of those, to create a list of Top Five Values.

If you've got 6 or more values marked with a 4, look at those values again and try to identify the Top 5. If necessary, ask yourself "If I had to choose between (value A) and (value B) which would I choose?"

Pointer: This is about YOU and your values. So keep a wary eye out for any "shoulds" – feelings that you ought to have certain values, for example, "honesty". It is vital that in this process of identifying your own personal value system you learn to notice when you are responding to the values of others or of society at large and when you are listening to your heart.

EXPLORING & IDENTIFYING YOUR PERSONAL VALUES

In order to have a happy, successful and fulfilling life, you must act upon your values, both in your personal life and at work. Taking your values into account when you choose a career could be the most important factor that determines whether you will or won't be satisfied.

In this exercise, you will first identify all the values that are important to you. You will then narrow down the list to your five most important values.

Last, you'll identify which of your top 5 values are satisfied in your current work situation. This process will help you understand what's missing now so that you can be clear about what want.

TABLE OF VALUES

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accomplishment	fame	pressure
accuracy	fast pace	privacy
a life of the mind	forward movement	recognition
achievement	freedom	respect
achieving potential	friendship	risk-taking
acknowledgment	fun	romance
adventure	hard work	routine
altruism	harmony	results
appreciation	helping others	safety
artistic endeavour	honesty	security
authenticity	humour	self-care
autonomy	imagination	self-expression

balance	independence	sensuality
aesthetics/beauty	influencing	service
being a catalyst	integrity	solitude
being in the flow	Intellectual rigour	spirituality
being my best	intimacy	status
belonging	intuition	success
challenge	joy	support
clarity	justice	teaching
commitment	keeping promises	teamwork
compassion	leadership	thrill
completion	learning	tolerance
connectedness	leisure time	tradition
contribution	love	trust
co-operation	loyalty	variety
creativity	making a difference	vitality
dependability	making decisions	wellness
directness	money	winning

ease	my faith	wisdom
elegance	nurturing	Other:
emotional health	openness	Other:
empathy	order/accuracy	Other:
empowerment	organization	Other:
encouraging	nature	Other:
energy	partnership	Other:
entertaining	passion	Other:
environment	peace	Other:
equality	peace of mind	Other:
excellence	personal growth	Other:
excitement	personal responsibility	Other:
expertise	pioneering	Other:
fairness	power	Other:
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TOP FIVE VALUES

Now that you've selected all of the values that are important to you, narrow down the list to your top five values. Ask yourself, "When I have been happiest in my life, was this value fulfilled? Is this truly my value or is it an unrealistic value that I don't live by?" If you are unable to identify 10

values, that's fine. Write down as many as you can below. And create your own unique definition - creativity to me could be quite different for you.

Value	Description	Expressed?

Now, think about your current work situation and whether or not this value is being expressed in your work right now. Write yes next to the value if it is currently being expressed in your work now and no if it is not.



FIGURING OUT WHAT YOU DON'T WANT



Knowing What You Don't Want Helps Inform What You DO Want!



"It is natural that by knowing what you do not want, you are able to clarify what you do want; and there is nothing wrong with identifying a problem before beginning to look for a solution. But many people, over time, become problem oriented rather than solution oriented, and in their examination and explanation of the problem, they continue the perpetuation of the problem. That which is like unto itself, is drawn—so tell the story you want to live and you will eventually live it". -Abraham Hicks



Ready? Let's do this!

- Print out the worksheet or make your own version.
- Start with column 'I Don't Want'.
- Write out everything you can possibly think of that you DON'T WANT in regards to career. (This is simply the act of releasing and to help you get clear on what you DO want).
- Once you've exhausted your Don't Wants, move over to the 'I DO Want' column.
- No time for Inner Critics here. GO FREE, DREAM BIG, DON'T HOLD BACK!
- When complete with both sides, take the worksheet and fold it vertically into 2 halves.
- Take a pair of scissors or just rip it in 1/2 vertically so that Don't Want/ Do Want is separate from each. Look at the DON'T WANT list.
- Take it all in. When you are ready, ceremonially rip up the DON'T WANT's into tiny pieces. You can burn it, toss it, flush it, whatever feels right to you.
- Now, take a long look at your WANT list. This is what we focus on and start building during our coaching together.

Don't Want

I Want



INSPIRED ACTION PLANNER





Inspired Actions

Inspired Action #1	Inspired Action #2	Inspired Action #3
5 ways to move this forward	5 ways to move this forward	5 ways to move this forward
1	1	1
2	2	2
3	3	3
4	4	4
5	5	5



Sharing it with the world

Sharing your Big Vision with others opens up new possibilities! You just never know who has a connection or an opportunity. And don't be shy to ask others for what you need to help you move forward.

People I can share my Big Vision with today

People I can ask for what I need today





Are you ready to take this to the next level and have support on your journey to figure out "what's next in my career"?

Book a free 30 minute session and take it to the next level:

Book a Career Clarity Call