

EducationPlannerBC: Parents as Education and Career Coaches

Activity 2: The Party Game

“People who choose to work in an environment similar to their personality type are more likely to be successful and satisfied.”

When thinking about choosing a post-secondary program or a possible career you can think about:

- What am I interested in?
- What skills would I like to learn?
- What kind of people would I like to be around?

In this exercise you can identify: 1) the interests that you have; 2) the interests *and skills* you might like to develop; and 3) the types of people you like to spend time around. Once you discover which of the six types of personalities and work environments that suit you best, take some time to explore which post-secondary programs and careers align with your interests.

- ✓ Use the EducationPlannerBC [Search database](#) to explore by Subject Area to find the programs related to your interests.
- ✓ On each program profile there is an Occupations tab so you can explore the careers linked to that program, as shown on WorkBC’s website.

Directions

Imagine walking into a room in which a party is taking place. At this party, people with the same or similar interests have all gathered in the same corners of the room as described below.

1. Which corner of the room would you be instinctively drawn to, as the group of people you would most enjoy being with for the longest time? (Leave aside any question of shyness.) Write the letter for that group here: _____
2. After 15 minutes, everyone in the corner you have chosen leaves for another party across town, except you. Of the groups that remain, which group would you be drawn to the most, as the people you would most enjoy being with for the longest time? Write the letter for that group here: _____
3. After 15 minutes, this group also leaves for another party, except you. Now which one would you choose? Write the letter for that corner here: _____

Tip: If the idea of going to a party does not appeal to you, imagine six different types of shows on TV. There is a show featuring the lives of different groups of people. Which show would be the most interesting? Write down your top three choices for who you would like to observe and interact with.

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