

# Core Values Discovery Exercise

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So, you're ready to discover your values- Congratulations! Carve out some time for yourself to go through this process. Values can change over time, so you might also discover that a value you once had is no longer true for you. And you might benefit from returning to this exercise later down the road.

#### Here are some questions to help unveil your values:

What do you get giddy with excitement about?
What makes you really mad and uncet instantly?
What makes you really mad and upset instantly?
Who do you wish you could be some day?

When you are really motivated to do something, what are you doing? \_\_\_\_\_\_

You feel most authentically yourself when you are\_\_\_\_\_\_

Now, read your answers and write down words that reflect WHY you answered the way you did. For example, if I get giddy with excitement about family movie night, my "why" for that is that I value family time. If what makes me mad instantly is seeing someone bullied, my "why" could be that I value social justice. If the person I admire is one of my mentors who has overcome great adversity, my "why" might be that I value perseverance. I might demonstrate a value of creativity if I get really motivated to put together an innovative recital. And my value of listening and connecting with others is definitely honored when I am conducting a coaching session.

For help on choosing some values words, please use the hand list on the following pages.

Good luck, and remember to have fun taking care of and honoring YOU!!!

## Take your time looking through this list Choose the words that resonate with you the most. Choose your top 10.

Acceptance Accomplishment Accountability Accuracy Achievement Action Adaptability Adventure Affection Aggression Alertness Altruism Ambition Amusement Anticipation Appreciation Approachability Assertiveness Attentiveness Availability Awareness Balance

Beauty Belonging **Boldness** Bravery Brilliance Calmness Candor Capability Carefulness Certainty Challenge Change Character Charity Cheerfulness Citizenship Clarity Cleanliness Cleverness Collaboration Comfort Commitment Common Sense Communication Community Compassion Competence Competition Completion Composure Comprehensive Concentration Confidence Confidentiality Conformity Connection Consciousness Consistency Contentment Continuity Contribution Control Conviction Cooperation Coordination

Correctness Courage Courtesy Craftiness Craftsmanship Creativity Credibility Cunning Curiosity **Customer Service** Daring Decency Decisiveness Dedication Democracy Dependability Depth Determination Development Devotion Discernment Differentiation Dignity Diligence Directness

Discipline Discovery Discretion Diversity Dominance Dreaming Drive Duty Eagerness Economy Education **Effectiveness** Efficiency Elegance Empathy Empowerment Encouragement Endurance Energy Engagement Enjoyment Entertainment Enthusiasm Entrepreneurship **Environment** 

Equality Equity Ethical Excellence Excitement Exciting Exuberance Experience Expertise Exploration Expressiveness Extroversion Fairness Faithfulness Family Fame Fashion Fearlessness Ferociousness Fidelity Fierceness **Firmness** Fitness Flair Flexibility

Fluency Focus Foresight Formality Fortitude Freedom Freshness Friendliness Friendship Frugality Fun Generosity Genius Goodness Goodwill Gratitude Greatness Growth Guidance Happiness Hard Work Harmony Health Helpfulness Heroism

History Holiness Honesty Honor Hopefulness Hospitality Humility Humor Hygiene Imagination Impartiality Improvement Independence Individuality Industry Innovation Inquisitiveness Insight Inspiration Integrity Intelligence Intensity Intuition Invention Investing

Irreverence Joy Justice Kindness Knowledge Leadership Learning Legality Level-Headedness Liberty Listening Liveliness Logic Longevity Love Loyalty Mastery Maturity Meaning Meritocracy Meticulousness Mindfulness Moderation Modesty Motivation

**Mysteriousness** Neatness Obedience **Open-Mindedness** Openness Optimism Organization Originality Outrageousness Partnership Passion Patience Patriotism Peace Perceptiveness Perfection Performance Perseverance Persistence Personal Development Personal Growth Persuasiveness Philanthropy Playfulness Pleasantness

Poise Polish Popularity Positivity Potency Potentiality Power Pragmatism Precision Preservation Pride Privacy Proactiveness Productivity Professionalism Profitability Progress Prosperity Prudence Punctuality Purity Pursuit Quality Rationality Realness

Realistic Reason Recognition Recreation Reflection Relationships Relaxation Reliability Resilience Resolution Resolve Resourcefulness Respect Responsibility Responsiveness Rest Restraint Results Reverence Rigor Risk Sacrifice Safety Satisfaction Security

Self Awareness Self-Control Self-Directed Selflessness Self-Reliance Sense of Humor Sensitivity Serenity Seriousness Service Sharing Shrewdness Significance Silence Silliness Simplicity Sincerity Skillfulness Solitude Speed Spirituality Spontaneity Stability Standardization Status

Stewardship Strength Structure Success Support Surprise Sustainability Sympathy Synergy Systemization Talent Teamwork Temperance Thankfulness Thoroughness Thoughtfulness Timeliness Tolerance Toughness Tradition Tranquility Transparency Trustworthiness Truth Understanding

Uniqueness Unity Universality Usefulness Utility Valor Variety Victory Vigor Virtue Vision Vitality Warmth Watchfulness Wealth