Personal Values Inventory

Review the following values list. Select the values that are valuable/important to you with a mark of "V." Then go back through your marked values and place another "V" by the ones that are very important to you so that you have some that are marked with "VV." If you have more than five "VV's" then go back and circle your top five with a "VV."

Power and authority – having the ability to designate tasks and rewards for others
Leadership – someone who enjoys being in front and regularly has people following
Adventure – living outside the comforts of everyday life and security
Job security – the assurance of steady employment and pay
Work on the frontiers of knowledge – working in a company that is a forerunner to new technology and innovation
Precision work – work in a tedious and extremely accurate environment
Peace and harmony – the assurance of no conflict
Status – holding a place in which others hold a high esteem
Independence – setting the course for oneself
Affiliation – being part of a team working toward a like goal
Problem solving – the pursuit to resolve difficult and problematic situations
Artistic expression – the enjoyment of conveying ideas and concepts creatively
Mental stimulation – work that requires I use my mind and develop my intellect
Solitude –having reflective time
Work alone – accomplishing projects alone, without significant contact with others
Leisure – needing enough time for personal interests and hobbies
Pressure – stress to accomplish the mission under strict constraints
Work with others – enjoying close relationships with coworkers as you work to accomplish like goals
Decision making – having the power to decide courses of action, policies, etc.

Exercise competence – being able to work in areas I think I am talented in and can excel.
Helping others – supporting or assisting others either directly or indirectly.
Friendships –close personal relationships
Knowledge –pursuing knowledge for personal betterment
Stability – living predictably and without change
Fast pace – rapidly living life with little activity
Safety – living without fear of danger or the unknown.
Competition –testing my abilities against myself and others
Financial freedom – living without debt in a way I can meet my needs and enjoy luxuries
Location – living in a place that I enjoy and/or that accommodates my life
Challenging opportunities – activities that stretch me in new directions
People Contact – enjoying regular interaction with people
Time freedom – having responsibilities I can pursue on my schedule
Influence People – changing attitudes or opinions to impact people's actions
Structure – enjoying contexts that provide organization and boundaries
Responsibility – accepting opportunities to supervise projects and people
Health and fitness –actively maintaining a healthy lifestyle of exercise and nutrition
Recognition – public acknowledgement of my achievements
Creativity – original expression of unique ideas, concepts, and self
Change and variety – living and working with flux in setting or task
Aesthetics – the enjoyment of beautiful things, or ideas

Values Summary

Copy your top 5 values onto this page in the following lists.

These are my 5 most important values:



Now take your 5 most important values and reword them. Write what they mean to you.



Now think about your past week. Write one activity that corresponds to each value that you did this week.



For this final exercise, if you find you cannot find an activity for each one that is fine. That is an indicator that perhaps this value will need extra attention to ensure it is being manifested in your life.