Connect to Your Career

5-1 Aptitudes Inventory

1. Review the following list of recognized aptitudes. Which aptitudes are your strongest? Rank your top five personal aptitudes 1–5, with the number 1 aptitude as the strongest. (You do not have to put a number for each aptitude, only the top five.)

Aptitudes

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| acting | <<Rank>> |
| budgeting | <<Rank>> |
| building  | <<Rank>> |
| decision-making | <<Rank>> |
| designing | <<Rank>> |
| developing concepts | <<Rank>> |
| discussion | <<Rank>> |
| drawing | <<Rank>> |
| estimating | <<Rank>> |
| fixing machines | <<Rank>> |
| following a recipe | <<Rank>> |
| grouping data | <<Rank>> |
| listening | <<Rank>> |
| mathematics | <<Rank>> |
| music | <<Rank>> |
| operating machines | <<Rank>> |
| organizing | <<Rank>> |
| original thinking | <<Rank>> |
| painting | <<Rank>> |
| persuasion | <<Rank>> |
| photography | <<Rank>> |
| physical activity | <<Rank>> |
| planning events | <<Rank>> |
| problem-solving | <<Rank>> |
| reading | <<Rank>> |
| singing | <<Rank>> |
| solving a puzzle | <<Rank>> |
| speaking | <<Rank>> |
| studying | <<Rank>> |
| writing | <<Rank>> |

2. Are there any personal aptitudes you possess that are not included on the list? If so, list them.

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3. Which one of your top five aptitudes would you most want to demonstrate to an employer? Why do you think that aptitude is important for career success?

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4. Conduct an Internet search for *career aptitude tests*. For example, CareerColleges.com offers a free online career aptitude test. Select one aptitude test and allow time in your schedule to complete it.

5. After completing the test, take a screen capture of the results or record the results in this document. What did you find out about yourself?

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6. Save your Word document as *FirstnameLastname*\_Aptitude.docx (i.e., JohnSmith\_ Aptitude.docx).