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The following pages represent a report based on the results of a psychological assessment. The profile presented below summarizes key results in each area compared against general population norms (indicated by the descriptors Low, Below Average, Average, Above Average, and High) and with norms for high performers in the type of job for which the candidate is applying (indicated by the shaded areas). The candidate's score is indicated by the diamond symbol:

ALL RESULTS SHOULD REMAIN STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

		Below		Above	
	Low	Average	Average	Average	High
Agreeableness			♦		
Assertiveness					•
Conscientiousness				♦	
Customer Service / Responsiveness					•
Emotional Stability / Resilience				♦	
Extroversion					•
Integrity				♦	
Intrinsic Motivation					•
Openness					•
Optimism/Enthusiasm					•
Orderliness				•	
Teamwork			•		
Tough Mindedness	•				
Work Drive				•	
Overall Cognitive Aptitude		•			

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Cognitive Aptitude Assessment

Compared to general adult norms using standardized tests which were validated for a wide range of positions, we estimate John's overall level of general intellectual aptitude to be in the **30-39 percentile** range. His individual aptitude levels are:

Abstract Reasoning 10-19%ile

Numeric Reasoning 20-29%ile

Verbal Reasoning 60-69%ile

John has a below-average level of general cognitive aptitude. While he may be able to handle many routine tasks and assignments, John may not learn new information quickly or be able to handle a heavy information-processing load. There may be times when the problem-solving and analytical demands of this job overwhelm his mental capabilities.

Explanation of Cognitive Aptitude Scores:

The aptitude scores in this section reflect <u>percentile rankings</u> -- not percent correct on the test. With percentiles, the average is the 50%ile. Half of the people score below this score and half score above it. As another example, if a person scores 80-89%ile on a specific test in this report, it means that they scored as well as or better than 80-89% of the norm group, but not as high as 11-20% of the norm group.

The **Overall Cognitive Aptitude** is an average of the separate aptitude sections given to this candidate.

The <u>lower the Overall Cognitive Aptitude score</u>, we predict that the candidate will have difficulty learning new information and making decisions. For example, if they are well experienced in their occupation, they may be able to continue to perform well practiced tasks adequately, but have difficulty learning new things. As such, they will need additional training time and more support from supervisors. People who produce lower Overall Cognitive Aptitude scores generally prefer tasks that call for specific responses rather than ones requiring insightful solutions. They are also slower in processing information and are often easily overwhelmed by complex problems, especially ones they have not dealt with before.

The <u>higher the Overall Cognitive Aptitude score</u>, the more we predict that the candidate will learn quickly, pick up a lot of new information on their own without needing to be trained, handle a large information load easily, make decisions in an efficient manner, and show a great deal of insight about how to solve new and complex problems.

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Narrative Responses Provided by This Candidate

In reading through the candidate's responses, you should look for general themes that reflect the person's attitudes, values, and beliefs about work. Insights can help you generate probing interview questions. From another perspective, the way in which candidate responses are constructed demonstrate sophistication of communication skills.

Annoyances	Mr. Sampleuser's Responses	
I don't like to work with people who	Answer not included in public website samples.	
I get annoyed at work when	Answer not included in public website samples.	
At times my work has suffered because	Answer not included in public website samples.	
I would really dislike a supervisor who	Answer not included in public website samples.	
People should recognize I am stressed out when	Answer not included in public website samples.	
It's hard to do good work when	Answer not included in public website samples.	
I would turn down a job if	Answer not included in public website samples.	
Ideal Job	Mr. Sampleuser's Responses	
The most fulfilling job I had	Answer not included in public website samples.	
What I want most from a job is	Answer not included in public website samples.	
My career goal for five years from now	Answer not included in public website samples.	
The set of responsibilities I enjoy most are	Answer not included in public website samples.	

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Leadership Style	Mr. Sampleuser's Responses
When I have to make a decision quickly	Answer not included in public website samples.
My success as a manager derives from	Answer not included in public website samples.
Mentoring employees who report to me	Answer not included in public website samples.
Besides supervising other people, a manager should	Answer not included in public website samples.
The best way to motivate people	Answer not included in public website samples.
The average employee	Answer not included in public website samples.
An employee who brings personal problems to work	Answer not included in public website samples.
I deal with conflict in my team by	Answer not included in public website samples.
To increase employee commitment I	Answer not included in public website samples.
To be a valuable member of a senior management team, I try to	Answer not included in public website samples.
As a leader, my greatest satisfaction at work	Answer not included in public website samples.
The biggest challenge to a manager in dealing with today's workforce	Answer not included in public website samples.
When I have to reprimand or discipline an employee	Answer not included in public website samples.
The organizational culture I try to create is best described as	Answer not included in public website samples.

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Strategies for Success	Mr. Sampleuser's Responses
The best way to get ahead in an organization	Answer not included in public website samples.
The personal strengths I possess that will help me be successful in this job include	Answer not included in public website samples.
Working long hours every week	Answer not included in public website samples.
To better myself I	Answer not included in public website samples.
My attitude about work-home balance is	Answer not included in public website samples.
The key to success in my career	Answer not included in public website samples.
To get ahead in a company	Answer not included in public website samples.
When I am criticized	Answer not included in public website samples.

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Personality Assessment

Strengths:

- He will usually be agreeable and congenial in his interactions with other people. Unless he is particularly upset about something at work, you can expect him to avoid arguments and contentious interactions.
- John can readily assert himself and confront difficult situations. He can also seize the initiative and bring his influence to bear in a wide range of situations. John has some potential for a supervisory or managerial role. He will be comfortable interfacing with those above him in the organization.
- He is conscientious and dependable in the way he works. John will typically follow through on his commitments and do what he says he will do.
- John is strongly oriented toward customer service. He endeavors to meet the needs and preferences of customers promptly and responsively. As a manager, Jared will encourage subordinates to aim for high levels of customer satisfaction in their work.
- He is a fairly resilient person who has good control over his emotions. John can weather most forms of
 job hassles, stress, and pressure. He usually keeps his composure when dealing with work crises and
 emergencies.
- John is outgoing, personable, and friendly in job-based interactions. He will readily share information with other employees and go out of his way to get to know other people on the job.
- John appears to be a principled and ethical person in how he performs job tasks and duties. He adheres to company rules and policies.
- Strongly motivated by the inherent enjoyment of the everyday work experience, John will enjoy coming
 to work everyday if the tasks and environment fit his preferences. He consistently looks for meaningful
 assignments and tasks.
- He is quite open to new ways of doing things on the job and is favorably inclined toward change and innovation. John continually tries to improve his knowledge, skills, and abilities.
- He has a highly optimistic disposition. John expects good things from his job and from the people he
 works with. He will not become demoralized by setbacks and will keep a positive attitude in the face of
 problems.
- He will be comfortable organizing work information and tasks and keeping track of large amounts of data or material.
- John likes a balance of independent and interdependent work. He can work closely with others, but he can also switch gears and function well on his own.
- John is very considerate and respectful of the feelings of the people he works with. He should be seen by others as someone who is quite tender-minded, sympathetic, and compassionate.
- John has an above-average work drive. He usually works hard and does what it takes, including putting in overtime or working long hours, to meet the demands of his job.

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Developmental Concerns:

- He can sometimes be unpleasant or difficult to deal with when interacting with other people. John may need some feedback about being more consistently pleasant and congenial in his interactions with coworkers.
- John can sometimes come on too strong and behave in ways that others perceive as aggressive or
 overbearing. He may need to tone down his style when making requests of other people or trying to
 influence their behavior. Some employees may feel that he takes on too much responsibility without the
 proper authority.
- John may sometimes be too socially distractible and overly influenced by interpersonal cues. He may spend too much time talking or interacting with others on the job when he should be focusing on the work at hand.
- At times, he can be unduly optimistic and hopeful. John occasionally needs to do a better reality check and prepare for possible negative outcomes. He may sometimes be too ready to believe what other people say without verifying their accuracy or truthfulness.
- He could place greater emphasis on group unity, cohesion, and a shared sense of purpose with his
 fellow employees. John may need to be encouraged to be more actively team-minded, especially in
 work settings where close cooperation and interdependence are required.
- John is so feeling sensitive that it may be hard for him to critically and objectively appraise situations, problems, and people. He may be thin-skinned and hypersensitive about negative feedback, rejection, criticism, or disapproval. John may need to toughen up and develop more of a thick skin if he is to function comfortably in some work settings.

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INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

After reviewing the assessment results for this candidate, you may want to conduct a structured interview to further explore and clarify some specific concerns. The interview questions listed below reflect areas of concern raised by the assessment results. You should keep asking questions until you have gained confidence in your assessment of the candidate. You can use some or all of these questions when interviewing the candidate. You will probably want to customize these questions to best fit your style and what you already know about the candidate as well as the job for which s/he is being considered. Most of these are behavioral description items which ask the candidate to describe specific behavior on the job. Some additional probes which you might want to use with individual questions are:

- * When did this take place?
- * What factors led up to it?
- * What were the outcomes?
- * What did others in the organization say about this?
- * How often has this type of situation arisen?
- * How would you handle it differently in the future?

ASSERTIVENESS

- Describe a time when you took charge of a difficult situation in your organization and turned it around into a success.
- Describe a time when you spoke up on a matter of importance to you, even though you knew it would not be well-received or when others in the company opposed you.
- Tell me about a time you took the initiative to get a project started or to complete it in a timely manner.
- What would you do if you felt that your boss had been ignoring you or not paying attention to your ideas?
- Describe a time when you successfully confronted a problem situation that others had trouble dealing with in the past.
- Tell me about a time when you effectively negotiated with upper-management to get them to accept your recommendation over the recommendations of others.

EXTROVERSION

- Some employees waste valuable time on their jobs chit-chatting, gossiping, and socializing. Please indicate whether this is ever a problem for you and what steps you take to avoid it becoming a problem.
- Tell me how much time you would ideally like to spend each day in meetings and discussion groups on the type of job for which you are applying.
- All of us have different styles of interacting and communicating with other people. Describe a situation
 where your style did not mesh well with that of another employee. [Probe: How did your styles differ?
 What problems did this lead to? What adjustments did you make?]
- Give me an example of a presentation that you have made where the audience was not particularly interested in the topic. What did you do? What were the results?

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 Sometimes it is hard for us to be objective about someone we know or like. Tell me if this has ever been a problem for you and, if so, how you dealt with it.

INTRINSIC MOTIVATION

- Tell me which factors define success for you in a job.
- Describe how your feelings of job satisfaction are affected by how much challenge and variety you have at work.
- Tell me what you would do if your job became repetitive and routine.
- Describe the kind of work that really motivates you.

OPTIMISM

- Describe a situation where you were more optimistic than your coworkers or boss about the feasibility of a project or deadline. Was it justified? How did others respond to your initial high level of confidence?
- Tell me about a time when you had unduly high expectations about a project or problem at work and did not adequately estimate the difficulty level or prepare for possible difficulties that arose.

TOUGH-TENDER-MINDED

- Describe a time when you made an important decision based primarily on an objective analysis of facts and data. (Compare the candidate's answer on this question with answers to the next question in terms of level of detail and enthusiasm.)
- Describe a time when you made an important decision based on your personal feelings, values, and intuition.
- Describe a situation where you dealt with an employee (or peer) who was consistently negative in meetings or when interacting with other employees. What did you do? What were the results?
- Describe a time when someone at work responded emotionally to something you said or did. How did you respond? What was the result?

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