

# What's Your Service Style?

"A unity in diversity of actions is called for . . . in which different individuals will concentrate on different activities . . . Each person cannot do everything and all persons cannot do the same thing." —Bahá'í Writings

**W**hether you like to wear mismatched socks, earthy colors, funky hats, or simple t-shirts, you have your own style. That's true when it comes to service, too. You may be outgoing or shy, an artist or an athlete. That diversity is wonderful. The world needs all kinds of people who contribute in

their own ways. Maybe you feel drawn to the outdoors, or perhaps you have a passion for writing. No matter what you love to do most, you can use your talents to help the world. When you choose projects that fit your interests, you'll find more joy in serving—and that's *always* in style.

**Read each statement, then circle the answer that describes you best.**

- 1** In my favorite classes, I:
- a) Get to be outside
  - b) Do group projects
  - c) Write stories or essays
  - d) Make music or art



- 2** If I had an hour to spend however I pleased, I'd:
- a) Go for a nature walk
  - b) Invent a new game with friends
  - c) Browse the library
  - d) Have fun with new art supplies

- 3** A career that appeals to me is:
- a) Veterinarian or marine biologist
  - b) Teacher or counselor
  - c) Newspaper or website editor
  - d) Musician or painter

- 4** An awesome field trip would be:
- a) Milking a cow at a local farm
  - b) Meeting the mayor at city hall
  - c) Visiting a historical museum
  - d) Touring an artist's studio

- 5** This doesn't seem like a chore:
- a) Tending to the garden
  - b) Taking care of a younger sibling
  - c) Organizing my desk and books
  - d) Making props for a play



- 6** A book I'd like to read is:
- a) *Amazing Animals*
  - b) *50 Real-Life Heroes*
  - c) *Secrets of Great Writers*
  - d) *Learn to Draw Anything!*



- 7** I enjoy service projects where I can:
- a) Work with plants or animals
  - b) Talk to the people I'm helping
  - c) Research and learn new things
  - d) Build or create

- 8** If I went to a costume party, I'd dress up as:
- a) My favorite animal
  - b) My favorite superhero
  - c) My favorite book character
  - d) My favorite piece of art

- 9** A school club that interests me is:
- a) Earth-Friendly Club
  - b) Leadership Team
  - c) School Newspaper
  - d) Art and Photography Club

**Which letter(s) did you circle most? Do you have one main interest or a mix of them?**

**Mostly As:** You love working with animals and taking care of nature. Volunteer at a wildlife shelter or community garden.

**Mostly Bs:** You enjoy working directly with people. Start a school club, take care of younger kids, or visit the elderly.

**Mostly Cs:** You enjoy writing, creativity, and learning. Write about your favorite cause. Start an e-zine or blog to inspire action.

**Mostly Ds:** You bring beauty to the world through the arts. Play music at a fund-raising event or design a poster or website.