

Applying Command Talents in Careers

- Explore your career options by trying out various roles in part-time jobs or volunteer work.
- Seek to hone your command talents by filling formal or informal leadership roles in organizations. Ask for feedback from others in the group.
- Leverage your persuasiveness when choosing a career. Talk to people in fields such as law, sales, politics, or theatre about how they use their persuasive talents to succeed.
- Investigate careers that offer upward mobility. You probably are unlikely to be intimidated by others – including people in positions considered superior to yours.
- Assume a role that permits you to create and control your own and others' work. Environments that encourage your leadership will bring out your best.
- Your comfort in “calling the shots” can be especially useful in crises. Environments that regularly deal with crises or rapid decision making will allow your Command talents to flourish.

Applying Command Talents in Academics

- Ask probing and pointed questions during discussions and lectures by professors. Realize that your questioning mind accelerates your learning.
- Take charge of your college education. Play the lead role in shaping your degree or certification plan. Refuse to leave these decisions to an advisor.
- Challenge facts presented in textbooks, the media, and class presentations. Critique your instructors and classmates. Search for the truth.
- When a particularly interesting class discussion is ended due to time constraints, express to your professor your wish that he or she would continue the discussion in an office visit.