

The VIA Classification of Character Strengths and Virtues

VIRTUE OF *Wisdom*



CREATIVITY

Original & Adaptive,
Clever, A problem
solver, Sees and does
things in different ways



CURIOSITY

Interested,
Explores new things,
Open to new ideas



JUDGMENT

A critical thinker,
Thinks things through,
Open minded



LOVE OF LEARNING

Masters new skills &
topics, Systematically
adds to knowledge



PERSPECTIVE

Wise, Provides wise
counsel, Takes the big
picture view

VIRTUE OF *Courage*



BRAVERY

Shows valor, Doesn't shrink
from fear, Speaks up for
what's right



PERSEVERANCE

Persistent,
Industrious,
Finishes what one starts



HONESTY

Authentic,
Trustworthy,
Sincere



ZEST

Enthusiastic, Energetic,
Doesn't do things
half-heartedly

VIRTUE OF *Humanity*



LOVE

Warm and genuine,
Values close relationships



KINDNESS

Generous, Nurturing,
Caring, Compassionate,
Altruistic



SOCIAL INTELLIGENCE

Aware of the motives and
feelings of others, Knows what
makes others tick

VIRTUE OF *Justice*



TEAMWORK

Team player,
Socially responsible,
Loyal



FAIRNESS

Just, Doesn't let feelings bias
decisions about others



LEADERSHIP

Organizes group activities,
Encourages a group to get
things done

VIRTUE OF *Temperance*



FORGIVENESS

Merciful, Accepts others'
shortcomings, Gives people
a second chance



HUMILITY

Modest, Lets one's
accomplishments speak
for themselves



PRUDENCE

Careful, Cautious,
Doesn't take undue risk



SELF-REGULATION

Self-controlled,
Manages impulses
and emotions

VIRTUE OF *Transcendence*



APPRECIATION OF BEAUTY & EXCELLENCE

Feels awe & wonder in
beauty, Inspired by
goodness of others



GRATITUDE

Thankful for the good,
Expresses thanks,
Feels blessed



HOPE

Optimistic,
Future-minded



HUMOR

Playful,
Brings smiles to others,
Lighthearted



SPIRITUALITY

Searches for meaning,
Feels a sense of
purpose, Senses a
relationship with the
sacred