# Developing Your Career Strategy 5 STEPS TO THE CAREER YOU WANT

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### What You'll Learn

- Career Goals
- Da Real Truth
- 3. Create Your Community
- 4. Plan It Out
- 5. Execute





1. Write it down



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- 2. Discuss it with your "village"



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- 3. Set Milestone Dates





# Do NOT Look For A Job! Be a SOLUTION!



Identify your skill set



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- 2. Identify what problems you solve.



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- 2.Identify what problems you solve.
- 3. Identify your unique ability.



### What Is Your Unique Ability?



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My Profile Shop Kolbe Take an Index - Expanded Reports -

#### Kolbe A™ Index/Instinct Test:

The Kolbe Index is unique. It does not measure intelligence, personality or social style. It measures the instinctive ways you take action when you strive.

Your result will describe your natural strengths - your modus operandi (MO).

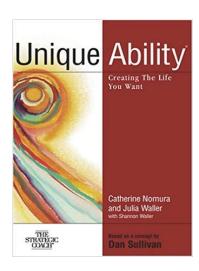
There are **two responses for each** question – **MOST and LEAST**. Choose ONE response for the way you would MOST likely act if you were free to be yourself, and then choose ONE response for the action you are LEAST likely to take.

There are no right or wrong answers. If you are not sure which option to choose, ask yourself what you would do, "if free to be myself."

#### Answer by asking yourself,

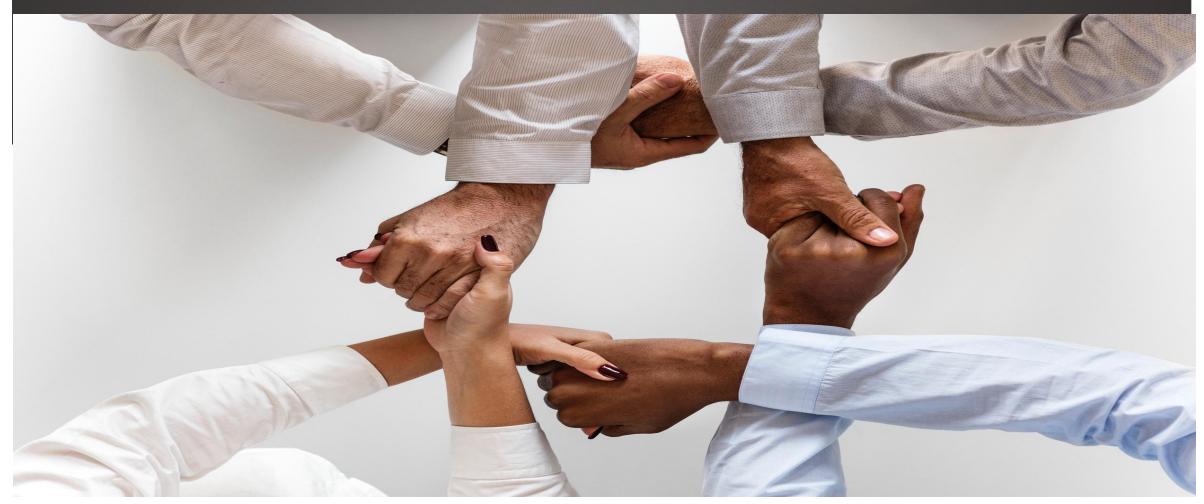
If free to be myself I would ..

1. If I were solving a difficult problem, I would rely on my:



- Kolbe A Test
- Book: Unique Ability
- Goalcast
- Step Outside of Your Comfort Zone





People who will support and encourage you in advancing your career.



1. Family & Friends



2. Professional Organizations



3. Allies



#### 4. Mentors



5. Sponsors



- Use LinkedIn & other social media platforms.
- Connect with people 9 times.
- Don't be GENERIC.
- Be authentic.





Write down your career goals – In Next 24 hours



Connect with 3 others in this room – Now



Identify YOUR unique ability – Nov 30



Find (3) employers who need you to solve their problems. – Jan 15



Pitch your solution i.e. YOU to them – between May 1 & June 15





1. Use your performance plan.



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  - 2. Brand yourself



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- 3. Utilize your career community.



### LET'S TALK

- FREE 15 Minute career strategy call http://bit.ly/wocstemcareerstrategy
- Limited time Nov 10 22
- Get you started



### QUESTIONS



### Connect with Me!

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