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The Green Personality

The “Let’s Experience It All” People

Greens live in a world of intangibles where hopes, dreams, and emotions are most important. They have rich vivid imaginations and thrive, flourish, and grow when using their creative abilities. They love to formulate ideal and explore possibilities. They thoroughly enjoy the brainstorming process because it is all about creating ideas. *Greens* view life from a holistic perspective that allows them to see the whole picture as they are creating it. Consequently, the limitations and mental barriers that restrict most of the other personality colors do not limit *Greens*. They tend to focus on what they want things to look like or could be, rather than what they should be. *Greens* are known for creating innovative and novel applications for existing products, services, and operations. When you combine their creativity with their lack of mental limitations, they are able to create opportunities and solutions that most people would overlook, and at the same time, can meet the needs of everyone involved.

The *Green’s* greatest gift is their highly developed intuition, which allows them to sense what others are feeling and to see the significance of various events. They rely on their hunches, intuitive insights, and gut instincts. They look beyond the obvious and look for unspoken meaning in situations. They are capable of finding meaningful patterns and relationships between what they see and what they hear. They are very skilled at interpreting motives and looking for non-verbal cues so they can effectively take an intuitive pulse check of the atmosphere of their environment. They are multi-sensory personalities who see their sixth sense as being just as important as their five physical senses. *Greens* are happiest, most productive, and most creative when they are interacting with their intuition and feelings rather than logic and reality. They are more at ease with what they will be, rather than what is, almost to the extent of waiting for events to catch up with their visions.

Greens are driven by idealism. Their primary purpose in life is to be the catalyst for change. In fact, change is a *Green’s* middle name. They have such a need for change that anytime their life feels like it’s becoming stagnant or ho-hum, they will do something—anything—to change it. *Greens*, like *Yellows*, are challengers; however, unlike *Yellows*, they tend not to be confrontational. They dislike disharmony and conflict and will avoid both. They want to live in a world that is unconditional in its acceptance of them—a world that is sensitive and comes from the heart. They are the true humanitarians and have a strong desire to help fight for human rights and the individual authenticity. They are passionate about their feelings and are aggressive activists of causes that are near and dear to their hearts. Many motivational and inspirational writers are of the *Green* personality. *Greens* are the cheerleaders of the world and are the ones who encourage others to grow and see their true identity.

In the personality world, *Greens* are the chameleons. They will change their personality color to match either people or tasks. This is a wonderful skill that *Greens* have; however, it is important that they remember who they are and to include daily activities in their lives that feed their needs. When a *Green* feels put-upon, these gentle, amicable individuals become *Red* in their behavior and will impose their wishes on others, become hostile and aggressive, and will openly seek revenge for perceived abuses.

This information is based upon the work of Carol Ritberger, Ph.D., and her book *What Color is Your Personality?*