

What Shade of Green Are You?

“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



Would you rather study animals or insects, plant a garden, or help with an event at your local nature center? Each of us has an important role to play in helping Earth. Some aspects of the environment may interest you more than others, and that’s okay. Your strengths and talents can lead you to your unique path of service. Just as biodiversity is important for our planet’s health, diverse actions can help us tackle environmental challenges. Use this quiz to discover your “ecotype.” How do you like to make a difference?

Find Your Ecotype

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

1. My idea of a fun science fair project is:

- a) Raising butterflies from cocoons
- b) Showing how recycling is important
- c) An experiment to explain the greenhouse effect
- d) Building a rain barrel or compost bin

2. I’m most concerned with:

- a) Saving endangered species
- b) Letting people know about environmental issues
- c) Finding new inventions to stop climate change
- d) Reusing and recycling stuff

3. A book I’m most likely to read is:

- a) *A Nature-Lover’s Guide to Camping and Hiking*
- b) *Change the World with Your Eco-Club*
- c) *World’s Greatest Earth-Friendly Inventions*
- d) *Using Trash to Build Treasures*

4. My favorite classes are ones where I:

- a) Get to be outside
- b) Work in groups to solve problems
- c) Do experiments
- d) Create art projects

5. A career that appeals to me is:

- a) Forest ranger
- b) Editor for nature and animals magazine
- c) Environmental scientist
- d) Green home builder



6. In my free time, I’m likely to:

- a) Explore bugs and plants
- b) Do a neighborhood cleanup project
- c) Try a cool science experiment
- d) Create art from recycled stuff



7. A warm, sunny day makes me want to:

- a) Go for a nature hike
- b) Tell people about solar power
- c) See how fast ice melts in the sun
- d) Make a solar cooker from cardboard

8. My friends and family describe me as:

- a) Outdoorsy and animal-loving
- b) Outgoing and organized
- c) Thoughtful and scientific
- d) Imaginative and artistic

9. If I were to start a business, I would:

- a) Open an animal rescue center
- b) Launch an environmental website
- c) Run a science lab
- d) Turn used furniture into cool new furniture

Scoring

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

Mostly As = Noble Naturalist

You love being outside and exploring wildlife. Try volunteering at an animal shelter or community garden.

Mostly Bs = Assertive Activist

You use words and actions to educate and inspire others. Try leading a club or organizing a service project.

Mostly Cs = Studious Scientist

You love discovering things and are excited by experiments. Try testing new ideas and inventions.

Mostly Ds = Adventurous Artist

You use your hands to build and create. Try getting creative with recycled or natural materials.