

ENCORE ELEMENTS

What are your **motivations** for pursuing an second act or encore career (eg. work in retirement)? Read through the list of elements and descriptions, then go through again and rate the elements based on how important it is for you. Jot down any thoughts or comments about what the essential motivations specifically mean for you.

*Ratings Scale: 1=Essential 3=Somewhat Important 5=Not of interest

ELEMENT	DESCRIPTION	*RATING 1-5	Comments "What does this look like for me?"
ACHIEVEMENT / CONTRIBUTION	Tangible outputs from your work; opportunity to excel; an element of competition and reward; feeling productive or a sense of being needed		
AFFILIATION	Being part of a group with a common goal; finding people who share my interests and values		
ATTRACTION	Pursing a "passion"; doing the work I've always wanted to do; having fun and feeling satisfied; work as 'play'		
AUTHORITY / LEADERSHIP	Ability to influence or impact things; having significant input to key decisions; being in charge of something, being the boss of others		
AUTONOMY / ENTREPRENEURIAL	Be my own boss, work independently; starting, organizing, and managing my own enterprise		
CHALLENGE	Stimulating my mind; solving problems, being analytical		
COMMUNITY / SOCIAL	Work with strong community component or public exposure		
COMPENSATION	Earning an income (full or part-time); need for health insurance or other benefits		
ENGAGEMENT	Do something interesting, staying challenged and feeling inspired		
ENVIRONMENT	Place and/or pace of the work; indoors/outdoors, office/ home; a change of scenery; aesthetics		

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ENCORE ELEMENTS, CONTINUED

ELEMENT	DESCRIPTION	*RATING 1-5	Comments "What does this look like for me?"
EXPERIENCE	Building on my past professional experiences; leveraging what I know, contributing by using my innate skills and talents		
EXPRESSION	Having a sense of originality and inventiveness in my work; artistic endeavors		
LEARNING	Develop new skills, continuing to learn and adapt		
LEGACY	Doing something that extends to future generations		
MENTORSHIP	Teaching, coaching and inspiring others		
NOVELTY	Work that involves new or unique experiences or risk taking		
Nurture	Work that supports or sustains others		
ORDER	Doing work that involves systems, planning, order and organization		
PURPOSE	Having a meaning in my life; feeling fulfilled; work that is strongly in sync with my personal code of ethics		
SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY	Giving back by working on an issue or social problem that matters to me; making a unique contribution to society		
STABILITY	Work in a field that is considered stable and relatively "secure"		
STATUS	Social desirability or prestige of the work; doing work that is highly lauded by my peers		
STRUCTURE / TIME	Need for flexible schedule vs. need for predictable routines; degree of certainty vs. ambiguity you can tolerate in your work		
Travel	Degree to which travel figures in to the work; type of travel desired		
*OTHER	Any other element unique to you or your situation?		