

# WOULD I MAKE A GOOD CPA?

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*Would I be good at dealing with different types of people all day, would I feel adequate enough to have people rely on my calculations 100%? Take the quiz below to find out if you would make a good CPA!*

**1. After graduation I would like to:**

- a. Work independently – the team approach seems inefficient to me
- b. Get job where I stay in the background and quietly do my work
- c. Work with different types of people because it is interesting and challenging
- d. Be in charge – I do not like to be bossed around

**2. How important is problem solving when you are a CPA?**

- a. Not that important – the client should know what is going on in their own business
- b. Very important – clients rely on my answers to be 100% accurate
- c. Kind of important – the client is coming to me for help
- d. None of the above

**3. True or False: CPAs work with math all day.**

- a. True – CPAs are always behind their desks crunching numbers
- b. False – CPAs can also enter areas such as operations, marketing and human resources

**4. Other than traditional financial knowledge, what are three requirements of a CPA?**

- a. Objectivity, integrity and education
- b. Pleasantness, organization and a degree in accounting
- c. Organization, integrity and continuing education
- d. Continuing education, objectivity and pleasantness

**5. Which of the following statements most closely describes your own feelings about professional development:**

- a. Ongoing professional development really isn't necessary unless your in management
- b. I learned everything I need to know in college
- c. Professional development is important, and my employer should provide the training I need
- d. I think it's important to take classes and workshops regularly to keep up with changes in the field of accounting as well as to improve my skills.

- 6. True or False: In the future, a certification – such as CPA, MBA, CMC, CPM – will be more important than ever for those who wish to advance in their career.**
- a. True – Plus it can increase a candidate's base salary by 10%
  - b. False – CPAs are in such demand I will never need anything other than my degree
- 7. When it comes to work, it's more fun to:**
- a. Create something beautiful
  - b. Organize
  - c. Take on a problem-solving challenge
  - d. Be in charge
- 8. Which of the following is not a CPA career path?**
- a. CEO
  - b. High-ranking official in the FBI
  - c. Auditor
  - d. None of the Above
- 9. Which of the following best describes your written communication skills?**
- a. I'm an effective and concise business communicator, and I am especially good at translating financial data into lay-man's terms
  - b. I'm no English major, but I get the point across
  - c. With spell checker and other technologies, writing is less important than it use to be, so it's not a skill I think much about
  - d. Adequate – I'm an accountant, not a poet!
- 10. How much should accounting professionals know about technology?**
- a. None at all, I'm a paper and pencil kind of person
  - b. Not much, that's what the IT people get paid for
  - c. Enough to get by
  - d. A good amount, because accountants and CPAs need to be able to translate strategies to IT professionals

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