

What is personality? Or rather, as many of us may have wondered at some point, what is *my* personality? Many people have and still do struggle with this question.

Starting in 1917, two women who were also plagued by this question set out to understand human personality. The result of their research was the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator— MBTI for short— which is a website that has a free test people can take to loosely categorize their personality into one of the sixteen unique types. Each type has their own general strengths, weaknesses, and other aspects that shape who they are. Thus, knowing your personality can greatly inform you on not only how to improve yourself, but to deepen your understanding of yourself and the people around you. This has proven true for me, as my research into MBTI has led me to further understand myself, my friends, and my family.

The aim of my final project, a zine illustrating and overviewing the four categories of MBTI, is to generally indicate which of the categories the viewer likely falls into. To visually represent this idea, I combined the characters of each category's personalities into a single character. On the page beside each illustration is a brief description of the generalized personality of people in this category. This, I hope, will intrigue people to continue their investigation into their personality and the personalities of those around them.

Unfortunately, only an estimated fifty million people have taken the MBTI test, a significantly small portion of the roughly 7.96 billion global population. I hope this number continues to grow, as I believe a world in which everyone knows and understands human personalities would be a far more beautiful and peaceful place.

MBTI CATEGORY ZINE

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