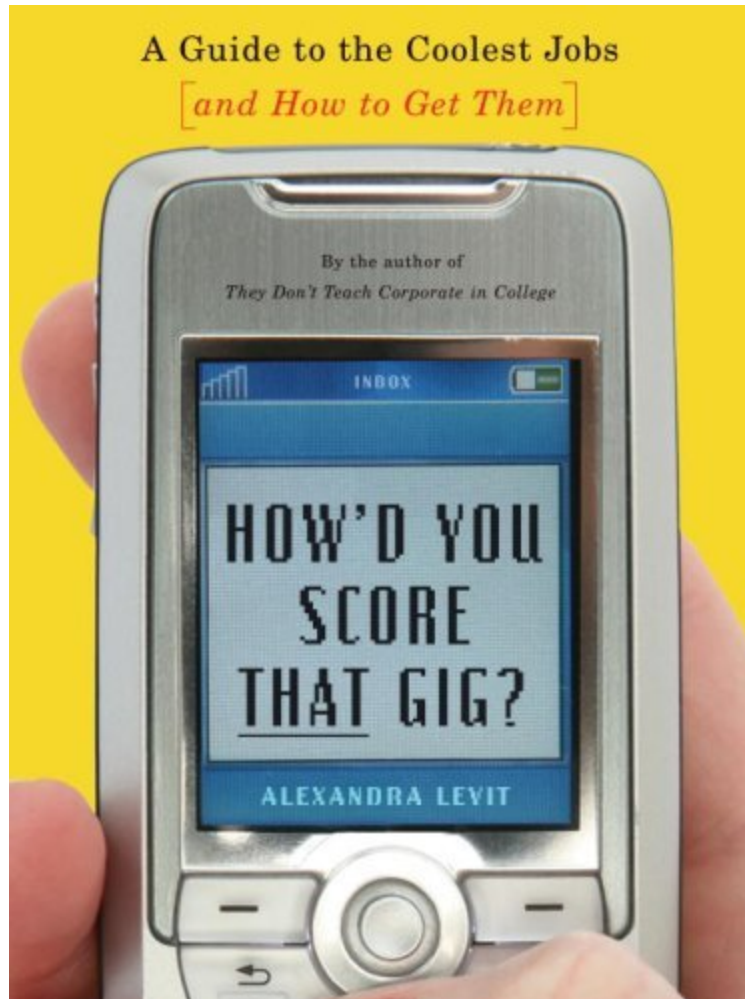


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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Exploring career choices that match your personality? This book is for you. By Mike Corak "How Did You Score That Gig?" How'd You Score That Gig?: A Guide to the Coolest Jobs-and How to Get Them is a fun and easy read with thought provoking content. Matching personality assessments with careers, this book helps identify your strengths and weaknesses, and proposes potential employment options for you based on your test results. Suggested careers contain descriptions and tips on how to land them, very helpful. Some advice, don't just read the jobs that match your assessment, also take a look at those contained in categories that may not. Pretty entertaining and thought provoking for those already down their career path, example, my highest scoring

category doesn't match my chosen path (my second highest scoring category does), and looking at the traits of my chosen career, I'm able to identify some areas to focus on that may not be innate. One issue with these sort of tests for me at least, I rarely score overly heavy in any one category, a blessing and a curse I suppose. While taking the test is enjoyable for all, agreeing with another reviewer, I also believe the book is most helpful for the unfulfilled looking for a career change, or high school and college grads planning their future. Go getters and the motivated have probably moved down this path already, and obviously the book can't possible contain every job out there, realizing limitations from someone taking a deep look. Overall, definitely worth your time and recommended. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Read along with "They don't teach corporate in college..." By Ariel The forward of the book really packs a punch with, "How did all these smart, ambitious, goal-directed young people end up in dead-end or passionless careers?" I am personally frustrated by the lack of any real guidance by college career centers to help find a career that is truly a good fit for you as well as being honest about what the work world is really like. I find that this book coupled with "They Don't Teach Corporate in College: A Twenty-Something's Guide to the Business World", are must reads for those in college (20's) as well as those still in need of some career guidance. I would even recommend sharing this book with friends and younger family members to jump start their brains early to choose a career that is both fulfilling and makes sense for them based on their strengths, values and personality type. 5 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Unrealistic. By Nicole I bought this as a gift for my graduating sister and read through most of it before I gave it to her. This book offers a few job titles plus short descriptions, most of which involve tons of experience and some education. You could easily save yourself time and money by searching Google and plan a much more fitting and realistic career change. Most of the jobs listed in this book are highly selective being only a few positions with many aspiring to fill them. I suppose the book is a decent jumping off point for a high school grad but for anyone else it's absolutely ridiculous. It's more accessible than the jobs it describes being written for a very broad audience. If you're seriously interested in getting a great job I don't recommend this book.

In *How'd You Score That Gig?*, career expert Alexandra Levit profiles more than sixty of the coolest careers on the planet—all rated in a national survey by twenty- and thirtysomethings for twenty- and thirtysomethings. To find the jobs that are calling your name, take Levit's short quiz and discover your "passion profile"; You may be: an Adventurer: You're spontaneous, free-spirited, and you always ready for change = foreign services officer, oceanographer, news correspondent; a Creator: You're always looking for a way to express yourself = video game designer, book author, landscape architect; a Data Head: You have an uncanny knack for gathering and organizing information = computational linguist, meteorologist, urban planner; an Entrepreneur: You have business savvy and don't want to be chained to a desk = blogger, boutique owner, inventor; an Investigator: You excel in science, logic, and learning = futurist, classic-car restorer, field archaeologist; a Networker: You're a people person—outgoing and a team player = lobbyist, speechwriter, TV producer; a Nurturer: Selfless and compassionate, you make a difference one person at a time = physical therapist, life coach, nutritionist Engaging and practical, the book includes insider accounts of young careerists currently in these jobs and provides specific action steps for breaking in. So before you settle for a position that just isn't you, shake it up—and land the career of your dreams!

"Alexandra Levit's new book, *How'd You Score That Gig?*, is chock full of research, offers a rare glimpse into the privileged world of those who hold the jobs that other people covet, and provides the roadmap for readers to pursue fields that they might have considered out of reach. Don't hop blindly from career to career looking for one that suits you. Use this book as a guide to tell you what it's like before you make a wrong turn." --Penelope Trunk, author, *Brazen Careerist: The New Rules for Success* "First, Alexandra Levit broadens your imagination about what kinds of careers are possible, and then after tantalizing you, she provides specific tips for breaking into the field. Enormously valuable!" --Ben Casnocha, author, *My Start-Up Life: What a (Very) Young CEO Learned on His Journey Through Silicon Valley* "This is a cool, unusual, and truly useful book. In my career coaching practice, the number one issue my younger clients face is having the strong desire to do something different work-wise with little knowledge about what jobs exist and how to find them. Alexandra Levit's guide organizes passion into seven profiles and describes specific jobs within them. A real gem in the book is the innumerable resources listed to help readers learn more about the jobs that strike their fancy. Buy this book!" --Julie Jansen, author, *I Don't Know What I Want, But I Know It's Not This* "Alexandra Levit has written an ideal book for all those adults who still don't know what they want to do when they grow up. The practical self-assessment that opens the book could point even the most indecisive person toward a realistic and satisfying career path. While reading about the dozens of coolest gigs that are thoroughly researched and attractively presented in this book, I almost started second-guessing my own career choices. Good thing I've already scored a c... About the Author Alexandra Levit is a nationally recognized business and workplace author and speaker. A syndicated columnist for the Wall Street Journal and a blogger for HuffingtonPost.com, Alexandra has authored several books, including the popular *They Don't Teach Corporate in College*, *How'd You Score That Gig?*, and *Success for Hire*. Alexandra makes frequent national media

appearances and has been featured in thousands of outlets including the New York Times, USA Today, National Public Radio, ABC News, Fox News, CNBC, the Associated Press, Glamour, Cosmopolitan, and Fortune, and her articles regularly appear on the home pages of CNN, MSN, and Yahoo!.