



Enneagram Type Five

QUIET SPECIALIST

INVESTIGATOR

OBSERVER

THE WISE TYPE

*"Wisdom ceases to be wisdom when it becomes too proud to weep, too grave to laugh, and too selfish to seek other than itself."
-Khalil Gibran*

CORE MOTIVATION

FIVEs are motivated by their need to know and understand.

FIVEs want to be capable and competent, and to have everything figured out.

UNCONSCIOUS FEAR

- Of being incapable, incompetent, useless, helpless.
- Of being dependent, exhausted.
- Of being overwhelmed by their own needs and those of others.

SUBTYPES



SELF-PRESERVATION

SP FIVEs focus on boundaries to protect against intrusion and maintain privacy. Hoards resources to avoid dependency.



ONE-TO-ONE COUNTERTYPE

SX FIVEs search for people to trust, share their secrets with. They are emotionally sensitive with a romantic streak.



SOCIAL

SO FIVEs relate to people through ideas, and values and connect with experts who share their high ideals.

OVERVIEW

FIVEs love to learn. They are constantly striving to conserve energy and learn more about the world. FIVEs are attracted to and value wisdom, knowledge and learning. They want to understand the world and make it a more reasonable place to live in. FIVEs are alert, insightful and curious, but can slip into becoming detached, secretive and not very social.

QUALITIES

WISE
OBJECTIVE
ANALYTICAL
PERCEPTIVE
INNOVATIVE
SYSTEMATIC
SELF-SUFFICIENT
KNOWLEDGEABLE

STRENGTHS

- Expert
- Scholarly
- Self-reliant
- Persevering
- Independent



STRUGGLES

- Stingy
- Intense
- Isolated
- Unsentimental
- Overly intellectual