

**Journal Entry Portfolio**

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### **Journal Entry #1**

This week we discussed Chapter 1 which introduced leadership and began diving into how we see ourselves as leaders. After taking the Leadership Potential assessment I scored a 35 out of 50. This was a higher than average score and indicated that I am on a positive track for being an effective leader. My score on the Managerial Leadership Skills assessment was a 13 for technical skills, a 21 for interpersonal skills, and a 15 for decision-making skills. This did not necessarily surprise me because I am a very personable person and work best in groups and understanding others.

The results of these assessments indicated that I am more of a leader than the average person and I enjoy working with people. The first assessment mentioned that no one gets a perfect score on it because there is always room for improvement in leadership. It also indicated that everyone has their own preferences on how to lead so some skills may be stronger than others. The second assessment showed me that my interpersonal skills are stronger than my decision-making skills and technical skills. I love working with people and understanding others to create a consensus that everyone is happy with. Some of my weaknesses are that I have a hard time doing things by myself and I do not work well with computers or technical things.

I could apply this information to my work as a social worker by being mindful of my strengths and weaknesses in my positions. I will use my strengths to my advantage and continuously work toward advancing my weaknesses or allocating jobs to others who are stronger in areas where I may lack.