

WITTY & GRITTY PODCAST GRIT MINI SERIES EPISODES 19-25

How to Discover Your Giftings & Passions

We will walk you through a series of exercises that will help you begin to uncover your giftings and your passions. Your Giftings & Passions Finder is here to help you become more self aware, get you ready to dive in to your next adventure, & give you a little confidence boost. Carve out about 30 minutes to invest in yourself. **BONUS POINTS** if your 30 minutes also includes a hot bath, a beverage you like, or some motivational music (or all of those things!).

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT BEFORE BEGINNING: Take note of what you are doing when you are not eating, at work, or sleeping. Those may be of interest in this exercise. Begin to think about your hobbies, interests, what you do when no one is asking you to do something, or when you are fulfilling an obligation. Dream BIG here!

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Giftings Brainstorm

SET A TIMER FOR 5 MINUTES: Brainstorm all of the things you do well. Think of character traits or skills that are easy for you. Think about times people have said, "You do this so well." "How do you even do that?" "Wow, I don't think I could ever do that." If you need help brainstorming, ask a trusted friend. Work for the FULL five minutes.

Examples: punctual, loyal, make awesome chocolate cake, can braid little girl hair, etc...Ready? 3, 2, 1, GO!

Now we're switching gears (trust us, there is a method to the madness). Take about **5-10 minutes** completing the chart below. Adjust chart hours as needed.

Weekly Outline Example

Use the weekly chart below to describe how your typical week goes. Think of your life right now. How do your days look? Fill in what you do typically in these hours. If it's seasonal due to circumstances (job, having a baby, etc...), print off however many you need to get a clear picture.

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| 5am | | Gratitude Journaling | Gratitude Journaling | Gratitude Journaling | Gratitude Journal | Gratitude Journal | |
| 6am | | run | gym | run | gym | run | |
| 7am | Gratitude Journaling | work | work | work | work | work | |
| 8am | rest w kids | | | and the state of the | | | Gratitude Journal |
| 9am | church | | and the second second | | 17/57 | | rest w kids |
| 10am | church | | and the second se | | | | soccer game |
| 11am | church | and the second se | | O | and the second sec | | soccer game |
| 12pm | lunch | and the second | | | and the second second | | lunch |
| 1pm | rest time | | | - Children and Children | | | rest w kids |
| 2pm | quality time | | | and the second se | | | |
| 3pm | quality time | O.J. | and the second second | | | | quality time |
| 4pm | quality time | work | work | work | work | work | quality time |
| 5pm | home group | dinner | dinner | play & tidy | play & tidy | play & tidy | quality time |
| 6pm | home group | book study | soccer practice | dinner | dinner | dinner | dinner |
| 7pm | kid bed routine | kid bed routine | kid bed routine | kid bed routine | kid bed routine | kid bed routine | kid bed routine |
| 8pm | next day prep | next day prep | next day prep | next day prep | mastermind | next day prep | next day prep |
| 9pm | quality time | quality time | quality time | quality time | next day prep | quality time | quality time |

Your Weekly Outline

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Switching gears again! Take about 5-10 minutes completing the chart below. Adjust times as needed.

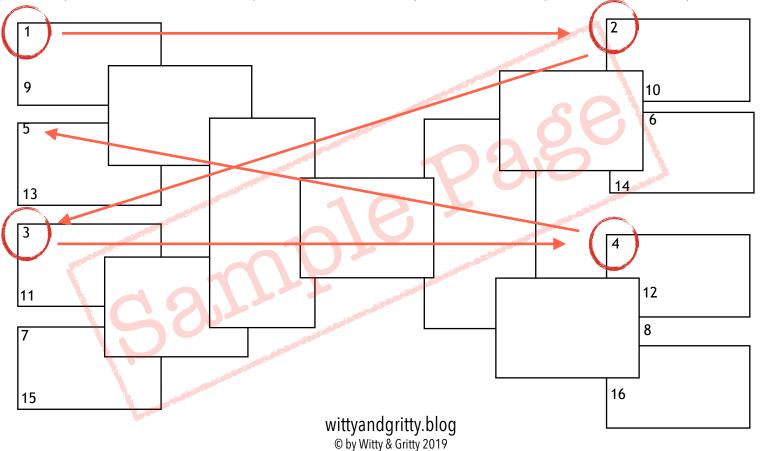
Passion Bracket

Think of your favorite things to do. Family? Sports? T.V.? Food? Hobbies? What takes up your time? Use your weekly outline to help you come up with all sixteen items.

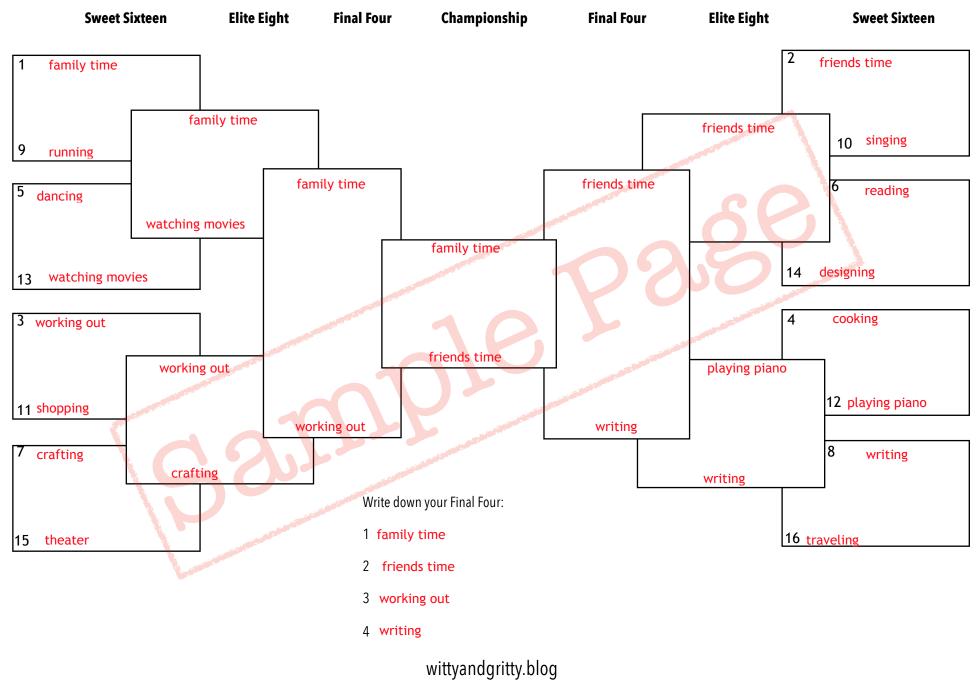
STEP ONE: The 1st thing that you love to do that pops in your head put in space "1". The 2nd thing that pops in your head goes in space "2" and so on and so on.

STEP TWO: Once your bracket is filled in, begin the head-to-head elimination process until you get your final four. For example: #1 and #9 meet up first. Which thing do you love to do the most? That item advances to the Elite Eight. The winner from the 1/9 bracket goes head-to-head with the winner of the 5/13 bracket. Repeat this process on either side until you have your champion ship.

IMPORTANT! Make note of your "Final Four". This could be important information. These top four choices are what you most likely feel most passionate about in your life.

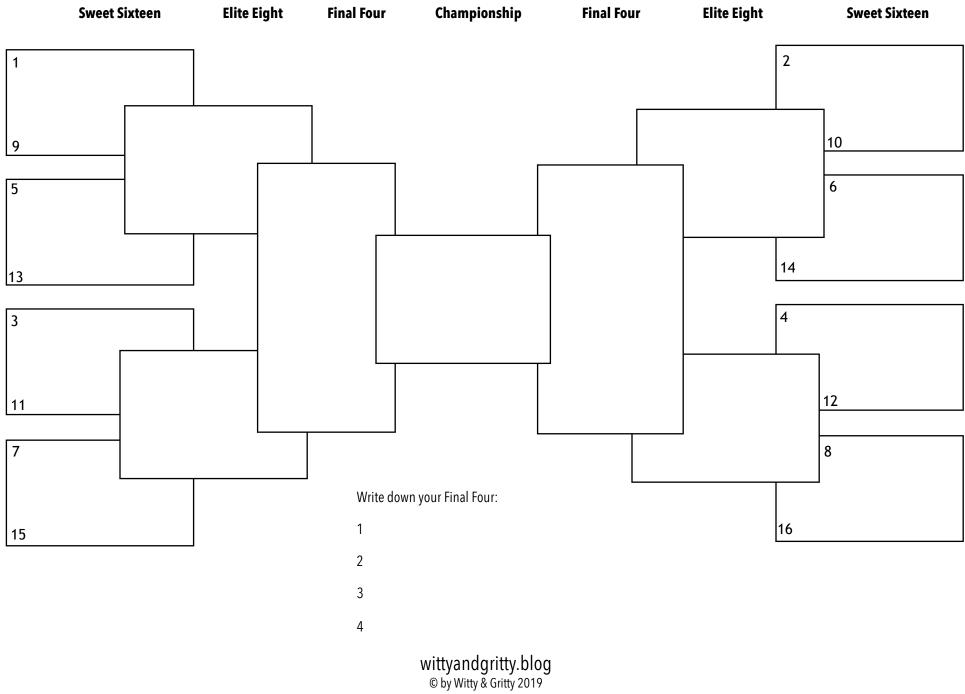


Passion Bracket Example



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Your Passion Bracket



You're Doing Great! Now here is where we tie it all together. It seems that you've accomplished three totally different tasks; however, you were able to dig deep and find your starting point to your giftings and your passions. GO YOU!

In the space below you'll summarize what you've discovered. Remember, this is just scratching the surface to your potential. This exercise is here to help you find the first stepping stones and move towards your giftings and passions. The more you keep your giftings and passions in the forefront of your mind, the more likely you are to notice where you can begin applying these attributes. Keep your eyes and ears open to opportunities around you!

| Giftings Brainstorm | Weekly Outline | Passion Bracket | | |
|--|--|---|--|--|
| Write down your favorite top 10 Giftings | Write down your top 10 favorite weekly items | Write down your top 10 (elite 8, plus 2) in order | | |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | | |
| 2 | 2 | 2 | | |
| 3 | 3 | 3 | | |
| 4 | 4 | 4 | | |
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| 7 | 7 | 7 | | |
| 8 | 8 | 8 | | |
| 9 | 9 | 9 | | |
| 10 | 10 | 10 | | |

Here's the fun part! Look at the 3 charts and see which items crossover. This is most likely where your giftings and passions line up with your dayto-day life. Now use this information to propel yourself forward. Use these skill sets to lift others up, bring joy, and realize your goals.

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