**PERSONAL SWOT ANALYSIS**

Name: ___________________________ Date: __________

**SWOT Analysis for:**
(Examples: career choice, potential new career, skills needed for promotion, or quarterly self-review)

**Comparing to and/or sources?** ___________________________

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**INTERNAL ORIGIN**

Your personal strengths and weaknesses.

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**EXTERNAL ORIGIN**

External things that may impact you and/or your choices.

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Name: John Smith  
Date: July 27, 2017

**SWOT Analysis for:** Promotion (become the manager of my department)  
(examples: career choice, potential new career, skills needed for promotion, or quarterly self-review)

**Comparing to and/or sources?** Job description, performance review, feedback & personal thoughts

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| 1. What are you good at?  
2. What do you like to do?  
3. Education? Certifications?  
4. What do people say you are good at?  
5. Unique abilities  
Examples: College degree, fluent in English and Spanish, like math, great writer, and detail oriented.  
Remember to list strengths related to your analysis. | 1. Potential liabilities  
2. Skills you need for the job you want  
3. Things you need to improve  
4. Tasks you avoid doing  
5. Negative work habits  
Examples: Have not worked in two years, no management experience, often late, and no college degree.  
Later you will identify what is keeping you from meeting your goals and develop a plan to fix it. |

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| 1. Up and coming industries/jobs  
2. Trends you can take advantage of  
3. Skills employers need  
4. Personal network  
5. Needs no one is filling  
6. New job opening at work  
Opportunities are external to you but are things you may be able to take advantage of. | 1. Industry changes  
2. Skills your competition has that you lack  
3. Economic climate  
4. New technology that you do not know  
Threats are external factors that may work against you. |