

Memoir

I have always been someone who has been into technology but that does not mean I am technologically savvy. I have always wanted to be one of those computer geeks who knew how to hack into anything and jail break codes because that meant that you were technologically advanced. I have had many encounters with digital learning but none of which I personally consider impressive. In high school I used computers in our computer lab and special programs that helped my future goals seem closer than they were.

In my psychology class in high school we always took these online surveys to help us determine what we are good at and like to do. These surveys would calculate as a computer what it thinks the best occupation or life choice we should follow do to a bunch of personal questions it asked. These surveys were one of the first encounters I had with a computer “speaking” to me. I do not mean literally but it was the first time a computer-operated system could make a choice or an option based on personal life questions and facts about my personality. This fascinated me. After answering the survey fully, the computer stated that I would be good at social work or psychology. The basic thing the computer mentioned was that I would excel in an occupation involved with people and assisting them especially in deep personal ways.

This computer system helped me shape my identity. I never thought that a computer could be so right or accurate when basically describing what kind of person you are and by telling you what you would be successful doing. I was amazed by the fact that a sequence of questions read me so well as a human being in general. When I told my parents about the results of the online computer program they agreed with it. They told me that they could have determined that with out a set of survey questions but that is just because they know me so well. It is incredible that a computer system that knows nothing about a person can infer about them by just a click of a button.

I did not end up finishing psychology in college although I started off studying it. I chose psychology because I knew I would be good at the field but that does not always mean I would enjoy it. I decided I didn’t want to go through Eight years of schooling so that is why I chose communications instead. I believe that communications contains a little bit of the psychology aspect especially when apply theory and facts into the communication field. Although I did not stick with psychology it has been and will always be something I am good at and something that a computer system’s survey encouraged me to pursue.