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The Mirror Test





Starting With You

Working out *what you want to be known for* compared with *what you're actually known for* is a great way to get feedback and manage your brand.

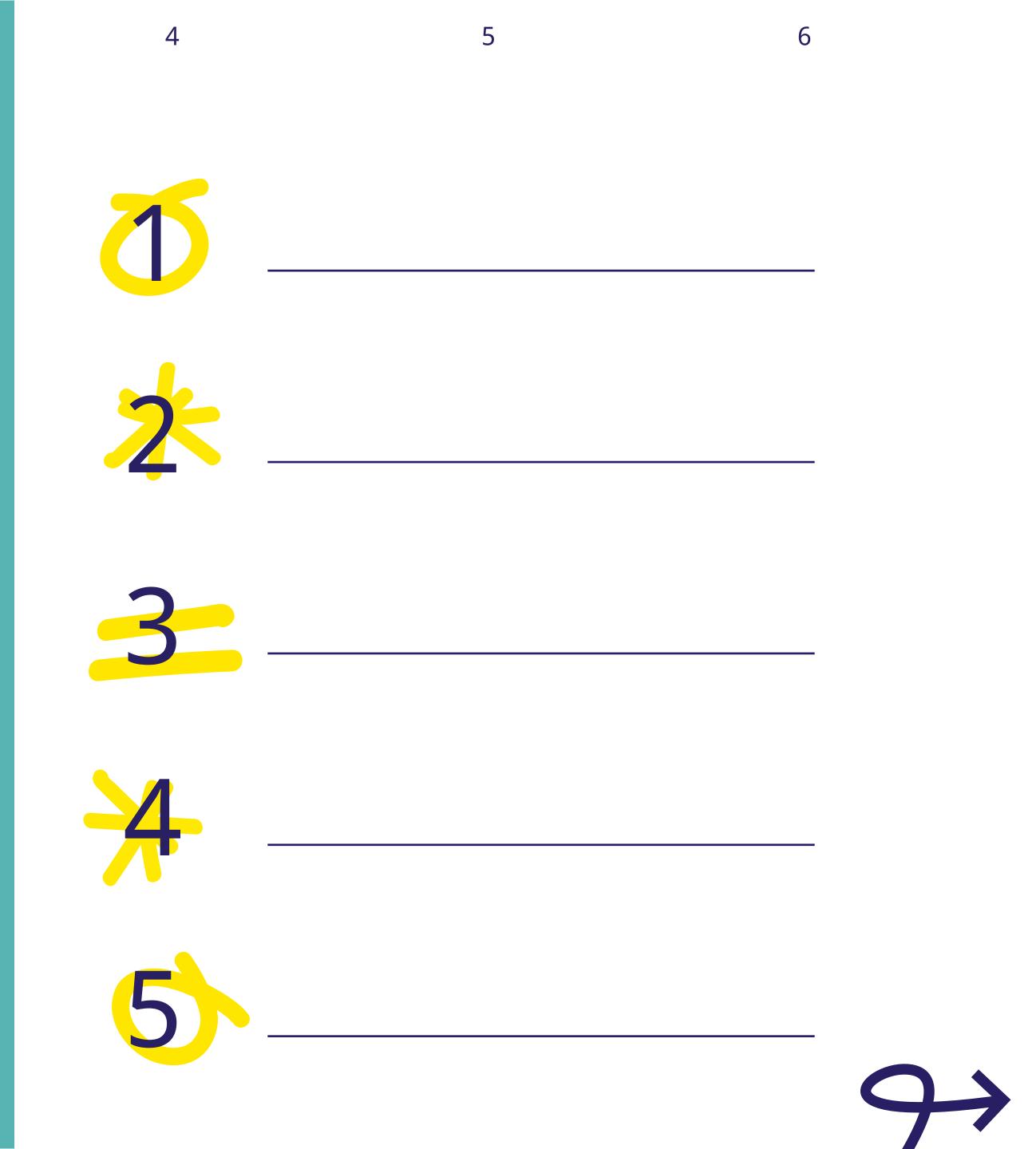
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Start by writing down 5 words you want to be known for.





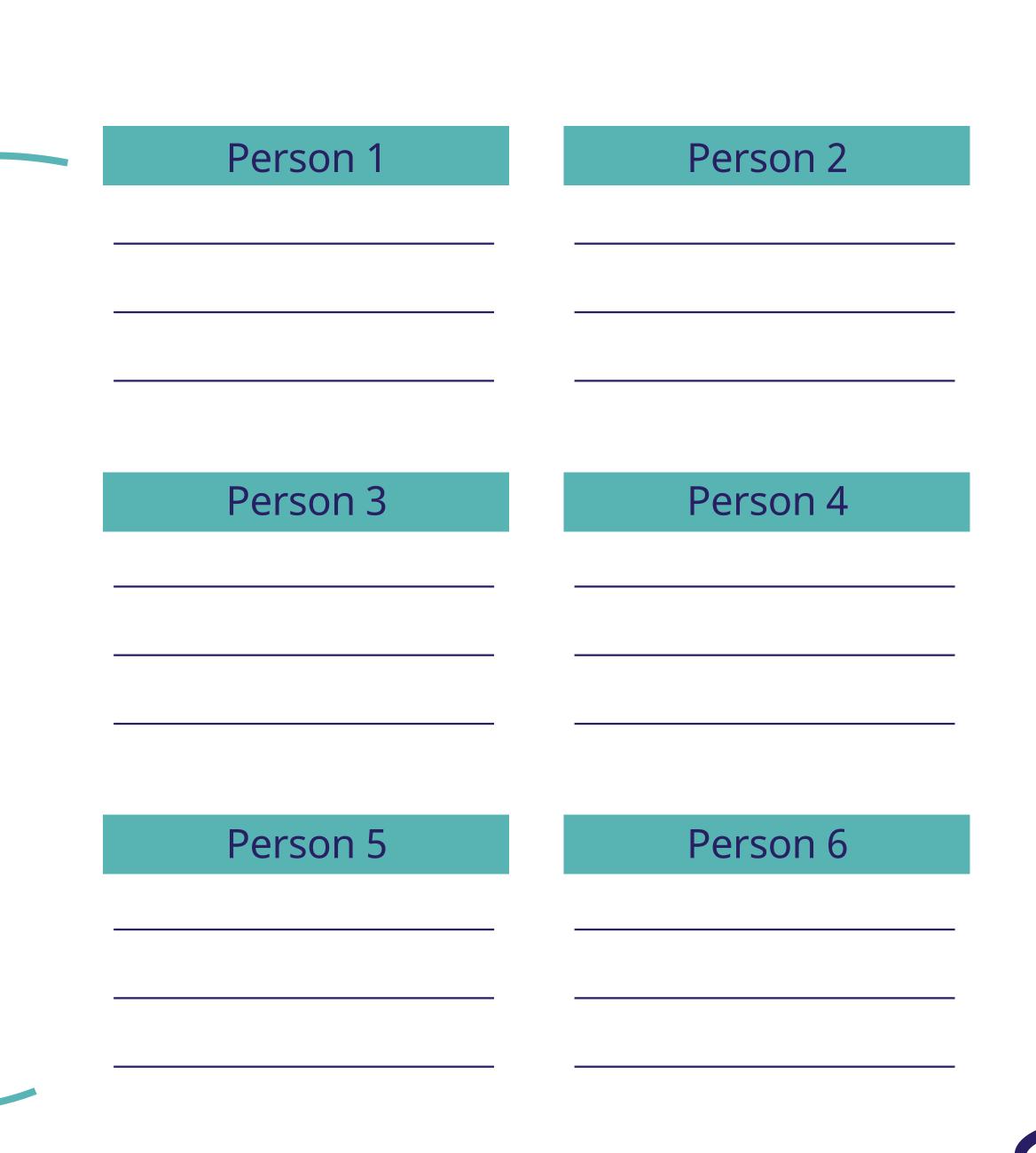
Then, go to at least *six people* and ask them for *three things* they think you do well

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Alternative ways to ask this question include:

- Can you tell me three things that make me stand out?'
- Or 'What three words would you use to describe me at my best?'



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What themes do you spot in the words you have been given?

How does this compare with your words?

Words that are consistent



Words that are different





Consistent words show that what you want to be known for is how you're showing up

That is a really positive outcome and something to keep focused on.

Words that are different might be an insight into strengths you showup with that you weren't aware of or that you are overplaying some of your talents and it's taking away from the things that you want to be known for.

Take a moment to think to reflect on what you will do differently as a result of this insight.

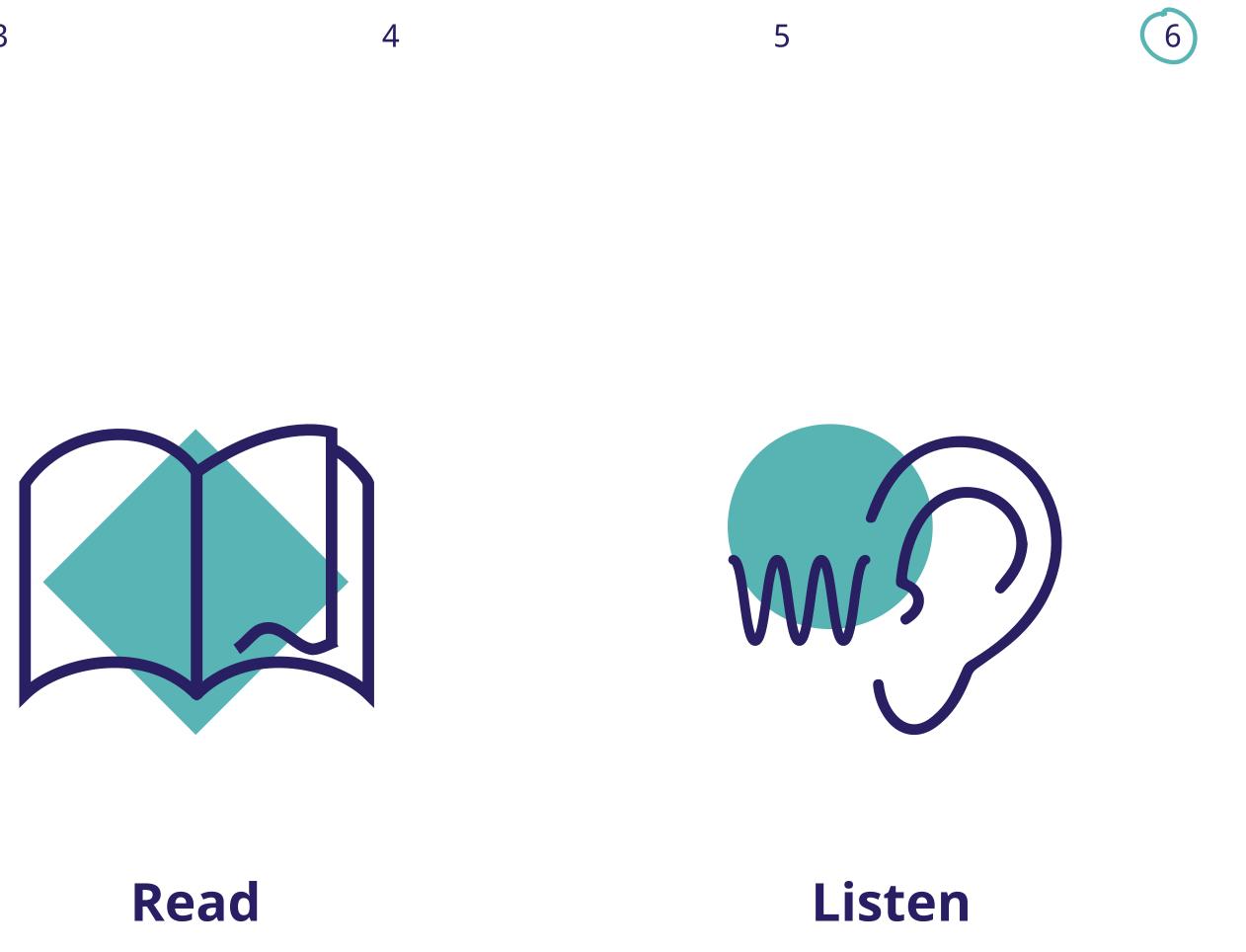




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The Squiggly Career, Helen Tupper & Sarah Ellis

Squiggly Careers Podcast Episode #122: How To Make Sure Your Strengths Show Up And Stand Out



