

# More Than Hearing Worksheet

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Texts: Amos 6:1a, 4-7 • Psalm 146 • 1 Timothy 6:6-19 • Luke 16:19-31

## PEOPLE Smart - D2

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Strengths: Understanding and relating to other people

Those who have strong interpersonal intelligence are good at understanding and interacting with other people. These individuals are skilled at assessing the emotions, motivations, desires, and intentions of those around them.

Characteristics of interpersonal intelligence include:

- Good at communicating verbally
- Skilled at nonverbal communication
- Sees situations from different perspectives
- Creates positive relationships with others
- Good at resolving conflict in groups

Potential Career Choices: If you're strong in interpersonal intelligence, good career choices for you are:

- Psychologist
- Philosopher
- Counselor
- Salesperson
- Politician

**Text: Amos 6:1a, 4-7**

Alas for **those who are at ease** in Zion,  
and for **those who feel secure** on Mount Samaria.

Alas for those who **lie on beds of ivory**,  
and **lounge on their couches**,  
and eat lambs from the flock,  
and calves from the stall;

5 who **sing idle songs to the sound of the harp**,  
and like David **improvise on instruments of music**;

6 who drink wine from bowls,  
and **anoint themselves with the finest oils**,  
**but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!**

7 Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,  
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away

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<b>PEOPLE</b>		<p><u><a href="#">"Opulence. I has it."</a></u></p> <p>It seems to be an historically popular pastime among the common people, as it were, to speak ill of the well-to-do because they are well-to-do. This is not that, as tempting as it may be. This is a word of judgment for those well-to-do who have no concern for the wellbeing of the nation.</p> <p><u><a href="#">Here's an interesting opinion piece</a></u> from Medium dot com on how rich people and poor people think differently, leading to their state in life. It is certainly an oversimplification, but it might be a springboard to some conversation about the passage.</p>	

**Text: Psalm 146**

Praise for God's Help

1 Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

2 I will praise the Lord as long as I live;  
I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

3 Do not put your trust in princes,  
in mortals, in whom there is no help.

4 When their breath departs, they return to the earth;  
on that very day their plans perish.

5 Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,  
whose hope is in the Lord their God,

6 who made heaven and earth,  
the sea, and all that is in them;  
who keeps faith forever;

7 who executes justice for the oppressed;  
who gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets the prisoners free;

8 the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;  
the Lord loves the righteous.

9 The Lord watches over the strangers;  
he upholds the orphan and the widow,  
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

10 The Lord will reign forever,  
your God, O Zion, for all generations.  
Praise the Lord!

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**Text: 1 Timothy 6:6-19**

6 Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; 7 for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; 8 but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. 9 But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

**The Good Fight of Faith**

11 But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. 13 In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you 14 to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, 15 which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. 16 It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

17 As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. 18 They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, 19 thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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**Text: Luke 16:19-31**

19 "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. 20 And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, 21 who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. 22 The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

23 "In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. 24 He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' 25 But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. 26 Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.'

27 "He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house— 28 for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' 29 Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' 30 He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' 31 He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

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<p>PEOPLE</p>		<p>The rich man suffers from the mindset described by Martin Buber in <i>I and Thou</i>, namely, that when we are in our sinful way of being, we think of the world in terms of “me” and “it.” Anything that is not “me” has value only in what “it” can do for “me.” Not until we have a transforming experience of the Holy One, who will be “it” for no one and can only rightly be addressed as “Thou,” do we reorient ourselves from “me” to “I” and our relationships from “me-it” to “I and thou.” (we have discussed this before)</p> <p>•</p> <p>In Disney’s animated movie <i>Beauty and the Beast</i>, the Beast was once a rich man who treated people shabbily because of his inflated sense of self. A witch punished him with a spell that changed him into a hideous beast and turned all his servants into living objects - plates, cups, clocks, candlesticks, and such. While entirely unfair to the household staff, it was a manifestation of the master’s regard for them, that they were merely objects for his use. It was only when the beast learned to love another intrinsically that the spell was broken.</p>	<p>Do this as a readers’ theatre presentation with Jesus/Narrator, rich man, Lazarus, and Abraham. And maybe some dogs.</p>
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