

ISTP: (Introverted-Sensing-Thinking-Perceiving)

- Are naturally action oriented and may have little interest or affinity for developing verbal communication skills or participating in standard academic classes without immediate practical application. Children hard wired with this normal limitation may end up being inaccurately labeled as having a speech or learning disorder.
- ISTPs have a natural drive to understand how tools work, and seek precise knowledge for optimum use in this regard.
- Usually have little or no interest in areas of learning that have no hands on practical application.
- Usually easygoing and egalitarian.
- Wired to protect and defend other human beings when dangers arise. Automatically respond with optimal efficiency in emergency situations.
- Are fiercely independent. Do not believe in or follow rules and regulations that make no sense to them. However, they have a strong code of ethics driven by rules that make sense to them and will not take part in anything that violates their core beliefs..
- Have real friends to whom they are very loyal.
- ISTPs natural perceptions, priorities, values and meanings run contrary to those of most parents and of society in general. Consequently they often grow up being told that the way they naturally and normally are is unacceptable, as in anti-social or maladaptive.
- Process information analytically by thinking about it. When stresses trigger emotions, ISTPs can have difficulty identifying words to express what they are feeling. When this happens they can end up a semi-coherent melt-down, making little sense to self or others. This level of vulnerability can reinforce an ISTP's determination to lock into their natural strong, silent type persona, determined to keep others from unsettling them.
- In summary, ISTPs are usually optimistic, easygoing, uncomplicated, nonjudgmental, loyal, trusting, and receptive

individuals, that are fiercely independent and naturally resist external dictates about how they should be.