# **Ikigai Worksheet**

This worksheet will help you discover your Ikigai by reflecting on four key dimensions: **What You Love**, **What the World Needs**, **What You Are Good At**, and **What You Can Be Paid For**. Take your time and answer each section thoughtfully.

## 1. What You Love (Passion & Mission)

- List the activities or hobbies you genuinely enjoy doing:
  - o **Example:** Painting, teaching, playing music, writing, gardening.
- What excites you or makes you lose track of time when doing it?
- What makes you feel happy and fulfilled?

#### 2. What the World Needs (Mission & Vocation)

- Identify societal needs or problems you feel passionate about solving:
  - o **Example:** Health awareness, quality education, clean energy.
- What changes would you like to see in the world?
- How can your skills or interests make a positive impact on society?

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## 3. What You Are Good At (Passion & Profession)

- Write down your strengths, skills, and talents:
  - o **Example:** Good at explaining concepts, creative thinking, coding, public speaking.
- What tasks or activities do others compliment you on?
- What comes naturally to you without much effort?

## 4. What You Can Be Paid For (Profession & Vocation)

- List careers or professions that align with your skills:
  - o **Example:** Graphic design, teaching, data analysis, project management.
- Research industries or roles that are in high demand:
  - o **Example:** Healthcare, IT, renewable energy, digital marketing.
- What career options provide financial stability while aligning with your interests?

## **Bringing It All Together**

#### Reflect on your answers above and look for intersections:

- 1. **Passion** = What You Love + What You Are Good At
- 2. **Mission** = What You Love + What the World Needs
- 3. Vocation = What the World Needs + What You Can Be Paid For
- 4. **Profession** = What You Are Good At + What You Can Be Paid For
- What is common across all four dimensions? This could be your Ikigai.

## **Guiding Questions to Refine Your Ikigai**

- What activities make you feel "in the zone"?
- How can your skills solve a problem in the world?
- What opportunities exist that match your skills and interests?

#### **Next Steps**

- Experiment: Try internships, part-time jobs, or volunteering in areas of interest.
- Seek Feedback: Talk to mentors, friends, or family to gain insights.
- Refine: Revisit this worksheet regularly as your interests and circumstances evolve.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Your work is to discover your work and then with all your heart to give yourself to it." - Buddha