# **PXT Select**<sup>™</sup> Sales: Comprehensive Selection Report



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## INTRODUCTION

This report is intended to help you choose the candidate(s) who may be the best fit for the position of \*\* Sample Position for PXT Select \*\*. The Performance Model for this position reflects the attributes typical of high performers in this position. Oliver Chase's personalized information will be compared to the Performance Model, giving you a detailed understanding of how well-suited Oliver may be to this role.

What's in this report?	,		
<b>RESULTS SUMMARY</b> Candidate's results from the assessment compared to the Performance Model	CRITICAL SALES PRACTICES Deeper dive into sales- related practices with candidate interpretation	INTERVIEW QUESTIONS Series of personalized questions based on the candidate's fit to the Performance Model	

## What is a Performance Model?

The Performance Model for \*\* Sample Position for PXT Select \*\* provides the recommended range of skills and behaviors for the job. This report compares Oliver Chase's assessment results to the range of scores to show how well Oliver might fit the position. The Performance Model includes:

THINKING STYLE

- Thinking Style is the ability to process information.
- It includes problem-solving, communication, interaction, and learning skills.
- Results are illustrated on scales ranging from 1 to 10.
- A higher score is not necessarily the best indicator of on-the-job performance.

### **BEHAVIORAL TRAITS**

- Behavioral Traits are commonly observed actions that help define who someone is.
- Each scale is defined by two opposing, but equally valuable, end points.
- One side of the continuum is not better than the other.

#### **INTERESTS**

- This section may indicate a person's motivation and potential satisfaction with various jobs.
- These are ranked in order from the person's highest- to lowest-scoring interest.

## Distortion was not detected in this report. What does that mean?

Some candidates may answer in a way that is socially desirable or to make themselves look better, rather than respond candidly and risk disapproval. Based on these assessment results, it appears that **Oliver answered candidly**.

70%

## \*\* SAMPLE POSITION FOR PXT SELECT \*\*

Oliver Chase

## **OVERALL FIT:**

Performance Model = highlighted boxes; Oliver's placement = initials

## THINKING STYLE

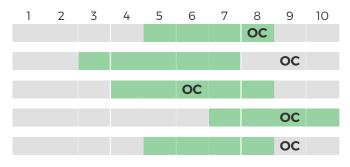
**Composite Score** 

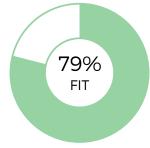
Verbal Skill

Verbal Reasoning

**Numerical Ability** 

**Numeric Reasoning** 





## **BEHAVIORAL TRAITS**

Pace			OC
	< STEADY		URGENT >
Assertiveness			OC
	< UNASSUMING		FORCEFUL >
Sociability	OC		
	< RESERVED		OUTGOING >
Conformity		OC	
	< STRONG-WILLED		COMPLIANT >
Outlook	OC		TOUCTING
	< SKEPTICAL		TRUSTING >
Decisiveness			
	< DELIBERATE	•••	BOLD >
Accommodation	< STEADFAST	oc	AGREEABLE >
	STEADFAST		
Independence	< RELIANT		OC AUTONOMOUS >
Tu dava ant	RELIANT		
Judgment	< INTUITIVE		FACTUAL >
			IACIOAL >

59% FIT

### **INTERESTS**

OLIVER in rank order

**TECHNICAL** CREATIVE FINANCIAL/ADMIN TIED **ENTERPRISING PEOPLE SERVICE** MECHANICAL



72% FIT

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## PERFORMANCE MODEL

For \*\* Sample Position for PXT Select \*\*

The highlighted boxes represent the **\*\* Sample Position for PXT Select \*\*** Performance Model, reflecting the specific requirements for this position. Oliver's placement is labeled with initials.

#### THINKING STYLE 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 **Composite Score** OC A reflection of overall 1-3 4-7 8-10 Takes in information learning, reasoning, Best at using the Benefits from and problem-solving most straightforward similarly to most people most development potential concepts of the job opportunities Ideal Candidate: Salesperson who assimilates information with minimal confusion and can pick up new selling concepts and techniques easily. Oliver: Fits the Performance Model. 2 9 1 3 4 5 6 7 8 10 Verbal Skill OC A measure of 1-3 4-7 8-10 vocabulary Communicates Comfortable communicating Capable of more complex information using basic language communicating with in most situations a diverse vocabulary Ideal Candidate: Salesperson who can process moderately complex language and uses an average vocabulary to explain and market a product to a client. Oliver: May experience frustration when required to communicate with less verbally adept clients and coworkers. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 **Verbal Reasoning** OC Using words for 4-7 1-3 8-10 reasoning and Prefers easy-to-interpret Interprets routine Draws accurate problem solving communication communication effectively conclusions from verbal information Ideal Candidate: Salesperson who interprets routine communications effectively with an ability to analyze more complex verbal interactions.

Oliver: Fits the Performance Model.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Numerical Ability									OC	
A measure of numerical calculation ability		1-3 comfort asy calcu			4- nfortable merical c	with rou		advar	8-10 e to carry nced num alculatior	nerical

Ideal Candidate: Salesperson who performs intricate calculations easily and is comfortable working with complex data when interacting with clients.

#### Oliver: Fits the Performance Model.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Numeric Reasoning									OC	
Using numbers as a basis in reasoning and problem solving	simple	<b>1-3</b> be able t mather probler		base	able dra	- <b>7</b> wing cor merical o	nclusions data	num	8-10 easily pro erical da h conclus	ta to

**Ideal Candidate**: Salesperson who is reasonably efficient in using numerical data in decision making and selling and requires little assistance in processing charts and graphs.

Oliver: Can work with numerical data at a more advanced level than the position requires, suggesting that Oliver may have unused talents in this area.

### **BEHAVIORAL TRAITS**

#### Pace

Overall rate of task completion

<	STEADY		URGENT	>
	Patient		Driven	
	Good with routine		Fast-paced	

Ideal Candidate: Salesperson who can juggle the demands of multiple tasks at once and generally works at a brisk pace.

#### Oliver: Fits the Performance Model.

Assertiveness				OC		
Expression of opinions and need for control	Di	NASSUMING plomatic w need to control		ļ	FORCEFUL Competitive Achievement-oriented	

**Ideal Candidate**: Salesperson who is content to follow direction in an amicable environment and appreciates a more subtle and softer approach to selling.

Oliver: May wish to assert a stronger presence than is typical for success in this position.

Sociability	OC					
Desire for interaction with others	< RESERVED Introverted Keeps to oneself	OUTGOING > Extraverted People-oriented				
	Ideal Candidate: Salesperson who is motivate new prospects and can comfortably carry on I					
	Oliver: Probably prefers a little less interaction success in this position.	n with others than is typically required for				
Conformity		OC				
Attitude on policies and supervision	< STRONG-WILLED Individualistic thinking Willingness to question	COMPLIANT > Conventional Works within the rules				
	Ideal Candidate: Salesperson who is effective without direct supervision, yet welcomes some structure and supervision as needed.					
	Oliver: Fits the Performance Model.					
Outlook	OC					
Outlook Anticipation of outcomes and motives	< SKEPTICAL Seeks evidence Cautious	TRUSTING > Optimistic Accepting				
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Accommodation	OC							
Inclination to tend to others' needs and ideas	<ul> <li>STEADFAST</li> <li>Willing to express disagreement</li> <li>Defends priorities and beliefs</li> </ul>	AGREEABLE > Harmonious Amenable						
	Ideal Candidate: Salesperson who strives to acco prospects.	mmodate the needs of customers and						
	Oliver: May be less willing to compromise with a client and let go of personal perspectives than is typical for those most successful in this position.							
Independence		OC						
Level of preference for instruction and guidance	< RELIANT May seek support Accepts instruction	AUTONOMOUS > Slow to seek guidance Likes to set own direction						
	<b>Ideal Candidate</b> : Salesperson who functions best when allowed to work indep of direction and guidance, but also knows when to rely on the support and ac others.							
	Oliver: Fits the Performance Model.							
Judgment		OC						
Basis for forming opinions and making decisions	< INTUITIVE May follow a hunch Considers emotions	FACTUAL > Logical Focuses on facts						
	Ideal Candidate: Salesperson who is most succes knows the value of considering objective information of the sale of considering objective information of the sale							
	Oliver: Could overlook the potential value of instinct when making decisions.							

## INTERESTS

The assessment measures six possible Interests, which appear below from Oliver's highest- to lowestscoring interest. The **top three Interests for the Performance Model** are noted. Two-way and three-way ties are indicated if present.

This list of interests is obviously not exhaustive, and because interests are often something that can be satisfied outside of work, they make up only 20% of the candidate's overall job fit score (Thinking and Behavioral each make up 40% of the overall score). Still, a person's interests can sometimes provide insight into how easily motivated they will be concerning different tasks, and how much enjoyment they may find in a particular role.

#### **OLIVER'S ORDER OF INTERESTS**

- Ordered from highest- to lowest-scoring interest
- \*\* Sample Position for PXT Select \*\* Performance Model Interests are indicated
- Ties are indicated if present

#### Technical

A technical interest suggests the enjoyment of learning technical material, interpreting complex information, and solving abstract problems. Salespeople with this interest may enjoy promoting technical improvements and high-tech gadgetry.

#### Creative

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A Creative interest suggests the enjoyment of imaginative and artistic activities. Salespeople with this interest may appreciate sales activities or presentations that involve innovative thinking, personal expression, and product appeal.

#### Financial/Admin [PERFORMANCE MODEL INTEREST]

A Financial/Admin interest suggests the enjoyment of working with numbers and organizing sales-related information in order to make the selling process more efficient. It could also indicate an eye for detail and a desire for accuracy.

#### Enterprising [PERFORMANCE MODEL INTEREST]

An Enterprising interest suggests the enjoyment of leadership, presenting ideas, and using persuasiveness. Salespeople with this interest may be motivated by competitive sales objectives and exercise initiative, ambition, and resourcefulness.

#### People Service [PERFORMANCE MODEL INTEREST]

A People Service interest suggests the enjoyment of collaboration, compromise, and helping others. It may indicate a salesperson who seeks out sales activities that involve working with and serving others, whether team members or clients.

#### Mechanical

A Mechanical interest suggests the enjoyment of building and repairing things and working with machinery or tools. Salespeople with this interest may seek out sales activities that involve practical objectives and product utility.

## CRITICAL SALES PRACTICES

Oliver Chase & \*\* Sample Position for PXT Select \*\*

This section is descriptive of eight sales practices, derived directly from the behavioral scales, and how Oliver might demonstrate them (if relevant to the \*\* Sample Position for PXT Select \*\* role).

## Prospecting

Strategizing, seeking out, and creating opportunities to engage with potential clients.

- Oliver will probably be most effective in prospecting when it is done in brief spurts of activity rather than over an extended period of time.
- Oliver may be somewhat careful in determining what qualifies as a solid lead.
- Oliver may be unwilling to identify key prospective clients without having ample data.
- Being fairly skeptical, Oliver may be more likely to question the feasibility of potential clients, perhaps evaluating the opportunity with a more critical eye.

## **Initiating Contact**

Taking the necessary steps to make the initial introduction with a client.

- Inclined to take charge to get the win and achieve a goal, Oliver will probably show little reluctance in approaching prospects.
- Oliver typically avoids small talk, but may be able to step out of the box for the purpose of establishing contact with a new client.
- When it comes to approaching new contacts, Oliver may prefer a process that is systematic and makes logical sense.
- With a high drive to get things done, Oliver will likely reach out to new clients in a timely manner, while also balancing the importance of being strategic about the first contact point.

## **Building and Maintaining Relationships**

Creating and establishing a connection with a client, which develops by attending to the client's needs.

- While able to carry on conversations with others, Oliver is not highly outgoing and may sometimes come across as a little distant with clients.
- Correctly or not, Oliver may sometimes be skeptical that clients will follow through on their word.
- Although fairly assertive, Oliver is unlikely to come across as so forceful or opinionated that clients are turned off.
- Oliver is logical and focused on facts, which will probably appeal to like-minded clients.

## Closing the Sale

Transitioning from discussing a client's needs to completing the entire transaction.

- From an interpersonal perspective, Oliver is fairly assertive, and may show little reluctance in pushing a client toward a close.
- Oliver tends to be a bit more cautious than bold, and may want to make sure that all bases are covered before closing.
- Oliver likely only moves forward to complete a transaction when the sale makes logical sense and the facts are there to support the close.
- Oliver may sometimes be skeptical that a client will follow through on their stated intentions when the time comes around to close the sale.

## Self-Starting

Taking the initiative to personally identify and undertake the required work to achieve results.

- Oliver wants to get things done, but can be patient in making sure things are set up properly in order to achieve goals.
- Oliver will likely independently work out the details of how to complete tasks, but will ask for help and guidance as needed when undertaking a new project.
- Oliver likely prefers to follow the guidelines of others when getting going on new things, but knows how to challenge conventional thinking when necessary.
- Oliver can balance a willingness to take risks and a need to think things through methodically prior to making a decision to get things started.

### Resourcefulness

Identifying and strategizing ways to maximize available resources in order to attain specific goals.

- Oliver may have little trouble taking the initiative to get things done, but will ask for help when needed.
- Oliver may be most attracted to logical or by-the-book approaches to problem solving, relying less on hunches or intuition.
- Oliver knows how to work within established guidelines, a benefit when efficient processes are in place.
- Inclined to have a skeptical approach, Oliver may sometimes focus more on the potential drawbacks of different resources rather than their benefits.

### Coachability

A willingness to improve or adapt existing skills in order to excel or achieve peak performance.

- Oliver is a little more skeptical in nature, thus being most open to feedback when it is backed up by ample evidence.
- Oliver may be most open to feedback that is backed by logic and data.
- Oliver typically responds well to structure set by others, being generally willing to run with the advice others provide.
- Oliver can be slow to ask for help and likes to do things independently, thus may be slow to seek out guidance when stuck.

## Working with a Team

Working collectively and cooperatively to achieve a shared goal.

- It is possible that Oliver's skepticism could, in small ways, contribute to more cynicism on the team.
- Generally speaking, Oliver will probably stick to opinions, but also be willing to bend when it is for the good of the team.
- Oliver may be more inclined to work alone, but is usually able to work with others to achieve a goal if necessary.
- Oliver is likely able to adapt own pace to that of the team's, making getting things done together much easier.

## **INTERVIEW QUESTIONS**

Oliver Chase & \*\* Sample Position for PXT Select \*\*

## CHALLENGE AREAS FOR THIS JOB FIT

Next you will find what could be Oliver's top challenge areas for this position. Areas are identified based on how Oliver scored on the assessment compared to the specific requirements for \*\* Sample Position for PXT Select \*\*. Oliver's reported tendencies are described and followed by tips on what to listen for from interview responses.

Assertiveness	MORE FORCEFUL THAN PERFORMANCE MODEL
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Oliver tends to be fairly comfortable sticking up for opinions and needs.
 → Listen for: how willing Oliver is to soften an assertive approach or defer to others when a situation calls for it.

- 1. When working with a client, how do you get buy-in if you think that you have a better solution to meet the client's needs than what the client has in mind.
- 2. Describe a recent situation where you felt it was best to defer to others or not take action with a particular client. What was the result?

Decisiveness	MORE DELIBERATE THAN PERFORMANCE MODEL

Oliver may prefer to deliberate and make informed decisions, but is also capable of timely responses.

→ Listen for: Oliver's ability to make decisions more quickly when circumstances warrant it.

- 3. Describe a time when you waited too long to make a decision. What were the consequences? What would you do differently?
- 4. Would you describe your decision-making style as bold or cautious? Give an example of when it would have been better to take the opposite approach.

Verbal Skill	ABOVE PERFORMANCE MODEL

Oliver communicates at a high level and can easily understand complex instructions.

- ∃ Listen for: how much effort it takes Oliver to adjust a personal communication style to the needs of the audience.
- 5. Tell me about a time when you realized you were speaking at a more advanced level than a client or prospect could understand. What did you do to communicate your message more clearly?
- 6. Describe a situation where you had to explain a technical or complex subject to a client or prospect. What steps did you take to ensure you adequately explained the key points?

## AREAS OF STRENGTH FOR THIS JOB FIT

Next you will find what could be Oliver's top areas of strength for this position. Areas are identified based on how Oliver scored on the assessment compared to the specific requirements for \*\* Sample Position for PXT Select \*\*. Oliver's reported tendencies are described and followed by tips on what to listen for from interview responses.

Verbal Reasoning

FITS PERFORMANCE MODEL

∃ Listen for: how Oliver assesses and applies information for different settings, tasks, and clients.

- 7. Describe a situation in which you received information from a client or customer that seemed to be missing key elements. What did you do to fix the situation and make sure that you fully and correctly understood the message being conveyed?
- 8. Tell me about a time when you discovered there had been a miscommunication between you and a client or customer. How did you figure out there was a problem, and what did you do to resolve the issue?

Numerical Ability	FITS PERFORMANCE MODEL	

Oliver can perform complex calculations on a regular basis.

→ Listen for: Oliver's comfort with numerical calculations, including using new methods of calculating data.

- 9. Describe a situation where you had to consider different types of numerical information. How did you ensure that you understood and correctly applied the most important aspects of the data?
- 10. When you are asked to use new mathematical processes at work, such as pricing or measurements, how long does it take for you to become comfortable with them?

Pace	FITS PERFORMANCE MODEL

→ Listen for: Oliver's willingness to adjust the pace to meet the needs of clients.

- 11. Describe a time when you were working toward an aggressive deadline or closing date. How did you manage your workload?
- 12. When you are assigned a task to complete without a specific deadline, what are some ways you keep yourself motivated?

## QUESTIONS FOR REMAINING SCALES

You will find suggested interview questions for the remaining scales below.

Numeric Reasoning	ABOVE PERFORMANCE MODEL

Oliver can efficiently make decisions based on numerical data.

→ Listen for: whether Oliver successfully communicates numerical concepts or gets frustrated when working with people with different numerical skill levels.

- 13. If you analyze numerical data and find that it calls for a change—such as reallocating resources or adjusting a process—how would you convince others that the change is needed?
- 14. Tell me about a time you had to use mathematical concepts or reasoning to solve a problem. How did you communicate your message for those with different levels of training or skill?

Sociability	MORE RESERVED THAN PERFORMANCE MODEL
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Oliver tends to be fairly introverted and may often prefer to be left alone. Listen for: how willing Oliver is to socialize and engage when a task or client calls for it.

- 15. What are some practices you've used to develop and maintain strong relationships with clients and customers?
- 16. Tell me about a situation that required you to be very outgoing when working with a client. What was challenging and what did you enjoy about this experience?

Conformity	FITS PERFORMANCE MODEL

 $\exists$  Listen for: whether Oliver recognizes when to push back and when to comply, given the situation.

- 17. Tell me about a time when your supervisor made a decision and you disagreed with it. How would colleagues describe your reaction to the situation?
- 18. Describe a situation where you had to push repeatedly for your opinion. Would you handle the situation differently today? Why or why not?

Outlook	FITS PERFORMANCE MODEL

Oliver tends to be skeptical and looks for evidence to back up a claim.

→ Listen for: whether Oliver thinks critically about others' ideas without dismissing them prematurely or accepting them too readily.

- 19. When considering others' ideas, what steps do you take to evaluate the ideas? Give me some specific examples.
- 20. What impacts have you seen from a lack of trust in the workplace? What benefits have you seen when trust is high? Give me some examples of both scenarios.

Accommodation	MORE STEADFAST THAN PERFORMANCE MODEL
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Oliver may be inclined to express disagreement and defend opinions, but will go along with the group to avoid too much disruption.

→ Listen for: Oliver's willingness to compromise with a client when ideas differ.

- 21. Tell me about a time when you were swayed by a client's argument regarding a product or the sales process. What was the outcome?
- 22. How can conflict be a positive factor in the workplace? Give me examples from your own experience.

Independence FITS PERFORMANCE MODEL	
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→ Listen for: Oliver's preferred level of guidance and whether satisfied with guidance in the past.

- 23. For work you've done in the past, when has following a very structured procedure been beneficial? When has it been better to develop your own approach?
- 24. Describe an example of the ideal level of guidance you'd like to receive from a sales manager before you start working with a new client.

Judgment	MORE FACTUAL THAN PERFORMANCE MODEL
Oliver may base decisions mostly on observable behaviors and information.	

→ Listen for: Oliver's ability to make decisions given available information, even if it is not based on fact.

- 25. In your experience, what are the benefits of basing decisions on facts alone? When might this approach be problematic?
- 26. If you need to make a decision without as much factual information or hard evidence as you'd like, how do you proceed?