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Careers for night owls and early birds

Erika Torpey | October 2015

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[Image of interview with sports statistical analyst]

Keith Goldner
Chicago, Illinois

What do you do?
I create mathematical models to evaluate players and teams from different sports and I use predictive performance. The models include rating data: I build algorithms that automatically find and exploit publicly available data from official websites, and sometimes I use a pre-test-interview to help determine or discover the data set. This data is then combined into a model that is used to predict the outcome of a game.

What do you learn from your job?
I am a sports statistician who analyzes data to evaluate the performance of different athletes and teams. Through my work, I learn how to analyze data to identify patterns and trends, and how to use statistical methods to draw meaningful conclusions.

What is the most important skill you use in your job?
Analytical thinking is crucial in my job. I need to be able to analyze large amounts of data and find meaningful patterns and trends. This requires a strong ability to think critically and creatively.

What is your favorite part of your job?
I enjoy the challenge of analyzing complex data and finding meaningful insights. I also find it rewarding to help others understand the data and make informed decisions based on it.

[Image of interview with a what]

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