

DISC Sales and Motivators Combined Report

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Introduction to the DISC Sales and Motivators Combined Report

Congratulations on your decision to take the DISC Sales and Motivators Combined Assessment.

Many of us grew up believing the wisdom of treating others the way you would like to be treated — the Golden Rule. We soon realized that another practical rule to live by seemed to be what Dr. Tony Alessandra calls The Platinum Rule® — Treat others the way THEY want to be treated.

With this personalized and comprehensive DISC and Motivators Combined report, you have the tools to help you become a better you and help you behave more maturely and productively. Then you can develop and use more of your natural strengths, while recognizing and improving your limitations. This report concentrates on your natural tendencies that influence your behavior and values/motivations.

DISC STYLES

Historical, as well as contemporary, research reveals more than a dozen various models of our behavioral differences, but many share one common thread: the grouping of behavior into four basic categories. *Our DISC System* focuses on patterns of *external, observable* behaviors using scales of directness and openness that each style exhibits. See the table below. Because we can see and hear these external behaviors, it becomes much easier to “read” people. This model is simple, practical, and easy to remember and use.

STYLE	TENDENCIES
Dominance	Tends to be direct and guarded
Influence	Tends to be direct and open
Steadiness	Tends to be indirect and open
Conscientious	Tends to be indirect and guarded

MOTIVATORS

Research shows that the most successful people share the common trait of self-awareness. They recognize the situations that will make them successful, and this makes it easy for them to find ways of achieving objectives that resonate with their motivations. They also understand their limitations and where they are not effective and this helps them understand what does not inspire them or what will not motivate them to succeed. Those who understand their natural motivators better are far more likely to pursue the right opportunities, for the right reasons, and get the results they desire. This report measures seven dimensions of motivation. They are:

- **Aesthetic** - a drive for balance, harmony and form.
- **Economic** - a drive for economic or practical returns.
- **Individualistic** - a drive to stand out as independent and unique.
- **Political** - a drive to be in control or have influence.
- **Altruistic** - a drive for humanitarian efforts or to help others altruistically.
- **Regulatory** - a drive to establish order, routine and structure.
- **Theoretical** - a drive for knowledge, learning and understanding.

ADAPTABILITY

In addition to understanding your DISC style, Part II (Application of DISC Styles) covers behavioral adaptability - ways you can apply your style strengths or modify your style weaknesses in order to meet the needs of a particular situation or individual. Social scientists call it **social intelligence** (EIQ) which may be just as important, or even more important, as your Intelligence Quotient (IQ) in being successful in today's world.

PART I Understanding Yourself

General Characteristics

The narration below serves as a general overview of your behavioral tendencies. It sets the stage for the report which follows, and provides a framework for understanding and reflecting on your results. We've occasionally provided some coaching ideas so that you can leverage your strengths whenever possible to maximize your personal success.

You tend to have a long fuse and seldom become visibly angry or agitated. You may harbor internal anger, but you tend not to vocalize it to those involved, instead perhaps "venting" to others not involved in the project. Overall, you tend not to seek direct confrontation about what is making you upset, which is a good thing as long as you don't let such conflicts boil to the surface.

You show a rare ability to get along with a wide variety of people. This comes from both your sincere interest in people and from your inherent patience in working with others. You may be able to bring various individuals together who might not otherwise cooperate.

You have the ability to persuade others, not with hype, but rather with warmth, sincerity, and understanding. These are perhaps considered "soft sell" tools, but they can make a big impact. This skill comes from the merging of your "people skills," along with the fact that you tend to be more modest when dealing with people.

You score like those who prefer to establish long-term relationships, rather than brief, superficial ones. This perhaps comes from your preference toward stability in your lifespace, and longer-term relationships may bring that stability. Friendships and acquaintanceships you have made in the past are important to you, even now.

General Characteristics (continued)

Sample, your score pattern suggests a high degree of persistence and patience in working on projects. This can be especially important when the assignments are long, detailed, and involve a multitude of personal or complex tasks. Where others may lose patience and perhaps allow overall quality to lapse, you bring a unique pulse and tempo that can serve as a model for others.

Sample, the responses you gave indicate that you tend to be unselfish and sensitive to the needs of others. This is a rare type of generosity that comes with no strings attached, hidden agendas, or ulterior motives. People who score like you get a genuine "rush" when they are helping others. That's the up-side. The flipside is that you may need to monitor yourself closely to make sure you are not spreading yourself too thin in your efforts to please everybody.

Others may tend to seek you out for assistance or advice. This is because they perceive you as being sensitive to their needs, and because you provide a stable and consistent point of view for them. You may be seen as a coach or counselor that they can count on to listen to ideas and input. That's good, as long as it doesn't hamper your ability to complete your own tasks.

Your responses indicate that you tend not to force your own ideas on others with edicts, but rather by offering carefully considered suggestions. This can be a key point of success in a variety of areas. It helps build both rapport and credibility with others and is a strength that you can affirm in a genuine way. The combination of your listening skills, people skills, and innate sincerity allow you to influence others and thus affect the results.

Your Strengths

What You Bring to the Organization

You are likely to display your strength characteristics rather consistently. For the most part, these qualities tend to enhance your effectiveness within your organization. Work Style Preferences provide useful insights as you work in a job or as you work together on a team or family project. They are the talents and tendencies you bring to your job. Check the two most important strengths and the two most important work style tendencies and transfer them to the Summary of Your Style page.

Your Strengths:

- You are able to negotiate conflicts into win-win situations.
- You are very people-oriented and, as a result, are able to talk with new people very easily in small groups or in large audiences.
- You bring a high "sincerity factor" to the team climate.
- You are a good listener.
- You work hard to achieve the team's goals and objectives.
- You demonstrate a high degree of patience in working with others.
- You are able to build positive relationships with internal and external stakeholders.

Your Work Style Tendencies That You Bring to the Job:

- You are optimistic and motivated to be an excellent team player, able to defer your ego when working with others who may prefer having more control of the situation.
- You tend to be an excellent "teacher" to peers on the team, at all levels of the organization.
- You show a high degree of persistence in working on projects, especially over the long haul.
- On the job, you tend to say "yes" more often than "no," when asked to help out with a colleague's project or problem.
- On the job, you have a strong need to be patient, polite, and create an environment of good-will for internal and external stakeholders.
- Your empathetic nature and sensitivity toward people may lead others to seek you out as a coach or counselor, or ask to assist them with a personal or team problem.
- You tend not to force your own ideas on others with edicts, but rather by offering considered suggestions.

Your Motivations (Wants) and Needs

What motivates you? People are motivated by what they want. What do you really want? Our behaviors are also driven by our needs. Each style has different needs. If one person is stressed out, they may need quiet time alone; another may need social time around a lot of people. Each is different and simply meeting their needs. The more fully our needs are met, the easier it is to perform at an optimal level. Check the two most important motivators (wants) and the two most important needs and transfer them to the Summary of Your Style page.

You Tend to Be Motivated By:

- Acceptance as a positive and supportive member of the organization and team.
- Identification with the organization, team, and others with whom a spirit of work responsibility has been established.
- Evidence that a new process has been successful in similar applications.
- Projects and assignments that provide interpersonal contact, and an opportunity to help both internal and external stakeholders.
- A work culture that is supportive of family activities and commitments.
- Flexibility to circulate and talk with a variety of people.
- A supervisor, manager, or board who practices a democratic leadership process.

People With Patterns Like You Tend to Need:

- To learn to say "no" more often in order to avoid spreading yourself too thin.
- A sense of belonging to the team or organization as a whole.
- To be kept in the information loop regarding projects and initiatives within the organization.
- Increased urgency in decision making.
- To be more realistic and ambitious in setting deadlines for team projects.
- More direction toward work tasks, and less focus on chatting and socializing.
- Encouragement to keep the positive spirit and optimism when the pressure is on.

YOUR MOTIVATIONS Ideal Work Environment

Everybody is motivated...however; they are motivated for their own reasons, not somebody else's reasons. By understanding your motivations, you can create an environment where you are most likely to be self-motivated. Check the two most important environment factors and transfer them to the Summary of Your Style page.

You Tend to Be Most Effective In Environments That Provide:

- Support and appreciation of your individual efforts.
- A work culture that takes pride in the systems, processes, and people working behind the scenes.
- A favorable working climate containing positive attitudes and optimistic spirit.
- Clear responsibility and lines of authority to avoid confusion or overlapping initiatives.
- A balance between some stable, predictable work activities and some variety and change on a regular basis.
- A work culture that allows for your natural interest in helping others learn and grow professionally.
- A job culture where there is little hostility, confrontation, anger, or pressure.

The I Style

Behavior and Needs Under Stress

Under Stress You May Appear:

- Impulsive
- Manipulative
- Overeager
- Inconsistent
- Unrealistic

Under Stress You Need:

- A quick pace for stimulation and excitement
- To get credit
- Action and interaction

Your Typical Behaviors in Conflict:

- When you experience a moment of misery, you may appear overeager, impulsive, sarcastic and demanding and disregard the facts or anything you say.
- If a conflict persists or your anger increases, you are likely to lash out with a strong verbal attack on the other person. This may have a startling effect on others since it is so unlike your normal behavior.
- Your anger is generally a response to a personal attack or, possibly, the failure of someone to support you when you were really counting on that person's support. Of course you may interpret a comment intended to refer to a task-related problem as a personal attack, especially if it concerns your contribution to the problem.

Strategies to Reduce Conflict and Increase Harmony:

- You have a tendency to "think out loud." Others may take these "brainstorming" ideas as actual commitments and become upset when those "commitments" are not completed. So, let others know in advance when you are only exploring ideas and options and not committing to actions.
- Avoid giving others a false impression of the level of support you will give them. When promising your support, make clear precisely what it is that you will do.
- Be sure to fulfill all of your commitments. If you will be unable to keep a commitment or meet a deadline, inform the people involved as soon as possible. Do not assume that others will automatically step in to cover for you.

Communication Tips and Plans for Others

The following suggestions can help others who interact with you understand and be aware of your communication preferences. To use this information effectively, share it with others and also discuss their preferences.

Check the two most important ideas when others communicate with you (do's & don'ts) and transfer them to the Summary of Your Style page.

When Communicating with Sample, *DO*:

- Put the details in writing, but don't plan on discussing them too much.
- Ask for his input regarding people and specific assignments.
- Be candid, open, and patient.
- Be certain to conclude the communication with some modes of action and specific next steps for all involved.
- Provide assurances about his input and decisions.
- Join in with some name-dropping and talk positively about people and their goals.
- Plan to talk about things that support his dreams and goals.

When Communicating with Sample, *DON'T*:

- Offer assurances and guarantees you can't fulfill.
- Be impersonal or judgmental.
- Be rude or abrupt in your delivery.
- Be vague or ambiguous.
- Talk down to him.
- Be overly task-oriented.
- Let the discussion with him get caught in dreams too much, otherwise you'll lose time.

Communication Plan with the **DOMINANT** Style

CHARACTERISTICS:	SO YOU...
Concerned with being #1	Show them how to win, new opportunities
Think logically	Display reasoning
Want facts and highlights	Provide concise data
Strive for results	Agree on goal and boundaries, the support or get out of their way
Like personal choices	Allow them to "do their thing," within limits
Like changes	Vary routine
Prefer to delegate	Look for opportunities to modify their workload focus
Want others to notice accomplishments	Compliment them on what they've done
Need to be in charge	Let them take the lead, when appropriate, but give them parameters
Tendency towards conflict	If necessary, argue with conviction on points of disagreement, backed up with facts; don't argue on a "personality" basis

Communication Plan with the **INFLUENCING** Style

CHARACTERISTICS	SO YOU...
Concerned with approval and appearances	Show them that you admire and like them
Seek enthusiastic people and situations	Behave optimistically and provide upbeat setting
Think emotionally	Support their feelings when possible
Want to know the general expectations	Avoid involved details, focus on the "big picture"
Need involvement and people contact	Interact and participate with them
Like changes and innovations	Vary the routine; avoid requiring long-term repetition by them
Want others to notice THEM	Compliment them personally and often
Often need help getting organized	Do it together
Look for action and stimulation	Keep up a fast, lively, pace
Surround themselves with optimism	Support their ideas and don't poke holes in their dreams; show them your positive side
Want feedback that they "look good"	Mention their accomplishments, progress and your other genuine appreciation

Communication Plan with the **STEADY** Style

CHARACTERISTICS	SO YOU...
Concerned with stability	Show how your idea minimizes risk
Think logically	Show reasoning
Want documentation and facts	Provide data and proof
Like personal involvement	Demonstrate your interest in them
Need to know step-by-step sequence	Provide outline and/or one-two-three instructions as you personally “walk them through”
Want others to notice their patient perseverance	Compliment them for their steady follow-through
Avoid risks and changes	Give them personal assurances
Dislike conflict	Act non-aggressively, focus on common interest or needed support
Accommodate others	Allow them to provide service or support for others
Look for calmness and peace	Provide a relaxing, friendly atmosphere
Enjoy teamwork	Provide them with a cooperative group
Want sincere feedback that they’re appreciated	Acknowledge their easygoing manner and helpful efforts, when appropriate

Communication Plan with the **CONSCIENTIOUS** Style

CHARACTERISTICS	SO YOU...
Concerned with aggressive approaches	Approach them in an indirect, nonthreatening way
Think logically	Show your reasoning
Seek data	Give data to them in writing
Need to know the process	Provide explanations and rationale
Utilize caution	Allow them to think, inquire and check before they make decisions
Prefer to do things themselves	When delegating, let them check procedures, and other progress and performance before they make decisions
Want others to notice their accuracy	Compliment them on their thoroughness and correctness when appropriate
Gravitate toward quality control	Let them assess and be involved in the process when possible
Avoid conflict	Tactfully ask for clarification and assistance you may need
Need to be right	Allow them time to find the best or “correct” answer, within available limits
Like to contemplate	Tell them “why” and “how”

Potential Areas for Improvement

Everyone has some possible struggles, limitations or weaknesses. Oftentimes, it's simply an overextension of your strengths which may become a weakness. For example, a High D's directness may be a strength in certain environments, but when overextended they may tend to become bossy.

Check the two most important areas you are committed to improve upon and transfer them to the Summary of Your Style page.

Potential Areas for Improvement:

- You may be rather indirect in providing instructions, because you don't want to impose your will on others.
- You may have difficulty with quick decision making because of your need to consider the "people side" of all issues.
- You may show less emphasis on productivity and more emphasis on the "people side" of a project.
- You may be a bit of a grudge-holder toward those who offer criticism.
- You may tend to take constructive criticism personally, possibly losing focus as to how it relates to the task.
- You may hesitate to correct or discipline those who report to you, for fear of offending someone.
- You may need some coaching in time management; for instance, in setting more ambitious deadlines.

Summary of Sample Report's Style

Communication is a two-way process. Encourage others to complete their own DISCstyles Online Assessment and then share the Summary Sheet with each other. By discussing preferences, needs and wants of the people you work with, socialize with and live with, you can enhance these relationships and turn what might have been a stressful relationship into a more effective one just by understanding and applying the DISCstyles information. Complete the worksheet below from the previous pages of this report.

YOUR STRENGTHS: WHAT YOU BRING TO THE ORGANIZATION

1. _____
2. _____

YOUR WORK STYLE TENDENCIES

1. _____
2. _____

YOUR MOTIVATIONS (WANTS)

1. _____
2. _____

YOUR NEEDS

1. _____
2. _____

YOUR MOTIVATIONS: IDEAL WORK ENVIRONMENT

1. _____
2. _____

COMMUNICATION DO'S & DON'TS

1. _____
2. _____

POTENTIAL AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

1. _____
2. _____

WORD SKETCH Adapted Style

DISC is an observable “needs-motivated” instrument based on the idea that emotions and behaviors are neither “good” nor “bad.” Rather, behaviors reveal the needs that motivate that behavior. Therefore, once we can accurately observe one’s actions, it is easier to “read” and anticipate their likely motivators and needs. This allows us to predict what will and will not please them which makes for better relationships and a more harmonious and productive workplace! This chart shows your ADAPTED DISC Graph as a “Word Sketch.” Use it with examples to describe why you do what you do and what’s important to you when it comes to (D)ominance of Problems, (I)nfluence of other People, (S)teadiness of Pace, or (C)ompliance to Procedures and Rules. Share more about the specific needs (now maybe habits) that drive you in each area of FOCUS. Is your DISC point at levels 1 and 2? Then your emotions and needs are the opposite of those whose graph is at Levels 5 and 6 in that area.

	D	I	S	C
DISC Focus	Problems / Tasks	People	Pace (or Environment)	Procedures
Needs	Challenges to solve, Authority	Social relationships, Friendly environment	Systems, Teams, Stable environment	Rules to follow, Data to analyze
Emotion	Decisive, risk-taker	Optimistic, trust others	Patience, stabilizer	Cautious, careful decisions
Fears	... being taken advantage of/lack of control	... being left out, loss of social approval	... sudden change/loss of stability and security	... being criticized/loss of accuracy and quality
6	argumentative daring demanding decisive domineering egocentric	emotional enthusiastic gregarious impulsive optimistic persuasive	calming loyal patient peaceful serene team person	accurate conservative exacting fact-finder precise systematic
5	adventurous risk-taker direct forceful	charming influential sociable trusting	consistent cooperative possessive relaxed	conscientious courteous focused high standards
4	assertive competitive determined self-reliant	confident friendly generous poised	composed deliberate stable steady	analytical neat sensitive tactful
3	calculated risks moderate questioning unassuming	controlled discriminating rational reflective	alert eager flexible mobile	own person self assured opinionated persistent
2	mild seeks consensus unobtrusive weighs pro/con	contemplative factual logical retiring	discontented energetic fidgety impetuous	autonomous independent firm stubborn
1	agreeing cautious conservative contemplative modest restrained	introspective pessimistic quiet pensive reticent suspicious	active change-oriented fault-finding impatient restless spontaneous	arbitrary defiant fearless obstinate rebellious sarcastic

WORD SKETCH Natural Style

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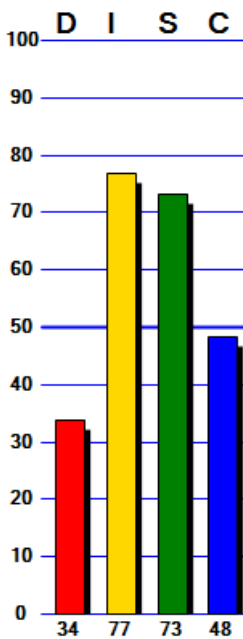
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DISCstyles eGraphs for Sample Report

Your Adapted Style indicates you tend to use the behavioral traits of the IS style(s) in your selected Work focus. Your Natural Style indicates that you naturally tend to use the behavioral traits of the Isc style(s).

Your Adapted Style is your graph displayed on the left. It is your perception of the behavioral tendencies you think you should use in your selected focus (work, social or family). This graph may change when you change roles or situations. The graph on the right is your Natural Style and indicates the intensity of your instinctive behaviors and motivators. It is often a better indicator of the “real you” and your “knee jerk”, instinctive behaviors. This is how you act when you feel comfortable in your home environment and are not attempting to impress. It is also what shows up in stressful situations. This graph tends to be fairly consistent, even in different environments.

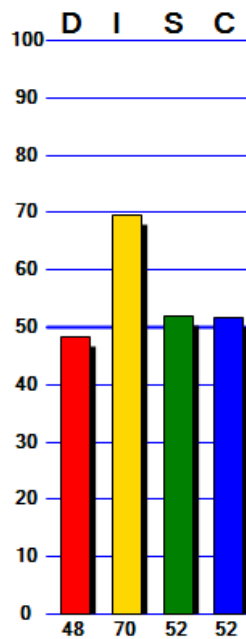
Adapted Style - Graph I



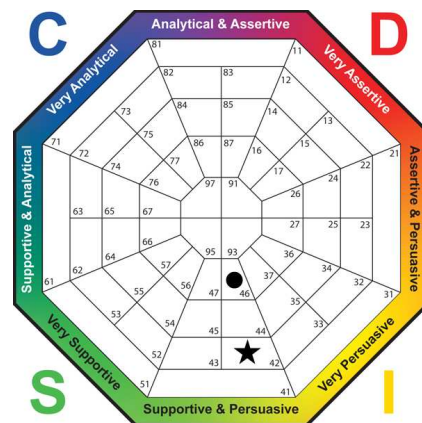
Pattern: IS (2553)

Focus: Work

Natural Style - Graph II



Pattern: Isc (3544)



● = Natural Behavioral Style

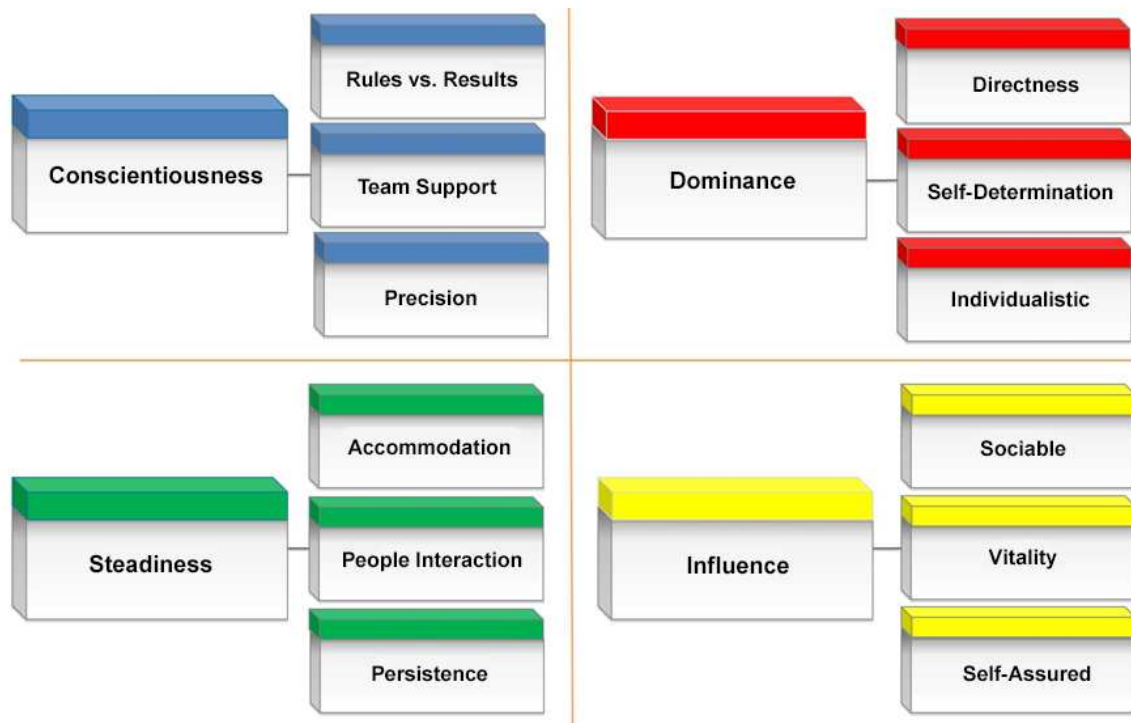
★ = Adapted Behavioral Style

If the two bars are similar, it means that you tend to use your same natural behaviors in that environment. If your Adapted Style is different from your Natural Style, this may cause stress if done over a long period of time. You are then using behaviors that are not as comfortable or natural for you.

The four-digit numbers (under the graphs) represent your segment numbers in DISC order and dictate the adjectives highlighted on the Word Sketch pages.

The higher or lower each D, I, S, C point is on your graphs, the greater or lesser your needs-motivated behavior impacts your results at work and others around you. Once aware, you can adapt your style. Can you change? Of course! You do it every day depending on your situations. However, permanent behavioral change comes only with awareness and practice. Study and practice using the Behavioral Adaptability Charts in this report to gain behavioral flexibility. For further questions or personal coaching, contact your consultant.

The 12 Integrated DISC Style Relationships



For a more complete understanding of a person's overall behavior style, you can view how each of the primary (4) four DISC factors interact to produce (12) twelve integrated behaviors.

When comparing each of the (4) four basic DISC factors with the others, a group of (12) twelve factors of individual behaviors can be identified. Each person will display some of these factors more strongly than the others.

Each of the (12) twelve factors has been assigned a specific descriptor(s) to help you naturally associate the factor to a specific behavior. The ability to identify and measure the relative interaction of the (12) twelve factors represents a dramatic improvement in the use and application of DISC to better understand human workplace behavior.

We can measure the strength of a factor in a person's overall behavioral style by viewing the intensity score. Intensity is a measurement of the relative contribution of a specific factor to a person's observable natural behaviors that are most often displayed in most situations.

The (5) five intensity levels range from Low (absent in most situations) thru High (clearly displayed in most situations). This integrated behavioral view represents an improvement that contributes to the overall understanding of human behavior. Behaviors define how we deliver our thinking into the world.

We recommend you add this powerful new view to your tool kit and use it to assist you in understanding why and how people shape their communications and connections with the other people in their life.

This list of (12) twelve Integrated DISC relationships reveals how the (4) four Primary DISC behaviors combine and work together to create the socialized behaviors others see and experience. The Length of the black bar shows the relative influence of the DISC factors in someone's overall observable behavioral style.

The **blue box** identifies the Range of all scores in the General Population for each integrated behavior. Half score below the median score (vertical link) and half above. Unlike an AVERAGE...the median score will not always be shown with equal space on both sides.

1. The Sociable Behavior (I/D) [High Moderate Intensity]

0.....10.....20.....30.....40.....50.....60.....70.....80.....90.....100

"How this individual's need for social interaction is impacted by their assertiveness and desire for immediate results." The Sociable behavior measures HOW the strength of this individual's preference for cordial social interaction and people connection is influenced by their need for immediate results. Higher intensity scores reflect an emphasis on seeking, building and sustaining personal relationships while Lower intensity scores reflect a much stronger competitive "result now" focus with less effort on accommodation and building relationships.

2. The Self-Assured Behavior (I/C) [Moderate Intensity]

0.....10.....20.....30.....40.....50.....60.....70.....80.....90.....100

"How this individual's people oriented extroversion is impacted by their need for accuracy and structure." The Self-Assured behavior measures HOW the strength of this individual's extroversion and desire for personal connection with others is influenced by their need for structure, detail, and accurate evidence prior to taking action. Higher intensity scores can sometimes lead to overconfidence with a willingness to improvise and to take spontaneous actions vs. thorough planning while Lower intensity scores reflect a cautious and conscientious approach that seeks to take actions that are supported by reliable tactics, trusted data and past successes.

3. The Vitality Behavior (I/S) [Moderate Intensity]

0.....10.....20.....30.....40.....50.....60.....70.....80.....90.....100

"How this individual's people focused extroversion is impacted by their preferred pace and activity level." The Vitality behavior measures HOW the strength of this individual's desire for interpersonal connections is influenced by their degree of urgency, preferred pace and activity level. Higher intensity scores reflect a high energy, freewheeling, confident and engaging style that will likely embrace new ideas and concepts while Lower intensity scores reflect thoughtfulness and care when crafting both words and deeds as one moves steadily toward the identified goal and objective.

4. The Accommodation Behavior (S/D) [Moderate Intensity]

0.....10.....20.....30.....40.....50.....60.....70.....80.....90.....100

"How this individual's need to operate at a steady pace and innate degree of patience is impacted by their need for immediate results." The accommodation behavior measures HOW the strength of this individual's level of patience and activity level are influenced by the strength of their desire to lead, command and direct activities focused on immediate results and solutions. Higher intensity scores reflect a willingness to consider, accommodate and support alternative solutions and ideas while Lower intensity scores reflect a propensity to make difficult decisions, remain firm in supporting and defending them sustained by a strong focus on achieving immediate results and accomplishing assigned goals.

5. The Rules vs. Results Behavior (C/D) [Moderate Intensity]

0.....10.....20.....30.....40.....50.....60.....70.....80.....90.....100

"How this individual's need for accuracy, precision and guidelines is impacted by their need for immediate results." The Rules vs. Results behavior measures HOW the strength of this individual's need to precisely follow established structural and procedural guidelines, standards and codes is influenced by their need for direct "results now" actions that target immediate accomplishments. Higher intensity scores identify a strong need to pursue objectives with guidance and reliance upon established structure, rules, organizational protocols and policies while Lower intensity scores suggest a more direct, immediate "result now" focus that will not likely be restrained by established protocols, procedures and policies.

6. The Persistence Behavior (S/C) [Moderate Intensity]

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"How this individual's need for pace and patience is impacted by their need for accuracy, precision and planning." The Persistence behavior measures HOW the strength of this individual's patience, activity level and team support is influenced by their need for accuracy, precision and structure. Higher intensity scores reflect an emphasis on supporting planned group and team efforts while Lower intensity scores reflect a need to follow established policies and procedures even if it requires running counter to the team's direction that may be advocating alternative or even potentially risky actions.

7. The Precision Behavior (C/S) [Moderate Intensity]

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"How this individual's need for accuracy, precision and planning is impacted by their desire for team support and accommodation." The Precision behavior measures HOW the strength of this individual's need for structure, accuracy, order and precision is influenced by their pace, patience and level of team accommodation. Higher intensity scores reflect a desire to operate in a "fail-safe" environment supported by accurate data and through preparation while Lower intensity scores suggest steady paced progress, strong support, consideration and accommodation for the team's overall direction.

8. The Individualistic Behavior (D/C) [Moderate Intensity]

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"How this individual's "results now" assertiveness is impacted by their desire to be accurate, analytical and structured." The Individualistic behavior measures HOW the strength of this individual's direct, assertive and "results now focus" is influenced by their need to precisely follow established structural and procedural guidelines while pursuing objectives. Higher intensity scores will not likely be deterred by potential restraints or established policies especially if they are perceived to impede immediate results while Lower intensity scores will favor strong and precise compliance and adherence to established structure, rules, policy and procedures.

9. The Self-Determination Behavior (D/S) [Moderate Intensity]

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"How this individual's degree of assertive "results now" focus is impacted by their level of patience." The Self-Determination behavior measures HOW the strength of this individual's direct, assertive and "results now" oriented behaviors are influenced by their degree of patience and preferred pace. Higher intensity scores identify a preference toward a more "now oriented pace" that is keyed toward taking actions that achieve immediate results and goals while Lower intensity scores identify a steadier, less urgent pace that embraces planning and careful consideration of consequences prior to taking action.

10. The People Interaction Behavior (S/I) [Moderate Intensity]

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“How this individual's need for a steady pace and exercise of patience is impacted by their desire to connect and engage in social interaction.” The People Interaction behavior measures HOW the strength of this individual's degree of patience and preferred activity level are influenced by the strength of their extroversion and a desire to socially interact and accommodate others. Higher intensity scores will display a great deal of care and consideration when crafting the words and deeds that impact others while Lower intensity scores will reflect a freewheeling and confident belief that most if not all interactive social situations can be handled “on the fly.”

11. The Team Support Behavior (C/I) [Moderate Intensity]

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“How this individual's need for accuracy, precision and following procedure is impacted by their desire for social connection and interaction.” The Team Support behavior measures HOW the strength of this individual's desire for accuracy, structure, rules and standards is influenced by the strength of their desire to interact, engage and accommodate other people. Higher intensity scores display reliance upon structure, logic, facts and established data, procedures and protocols while Lower intensity scores display a more cordially social, engaging and accommodating communication style with a less focus on established protocols.

12. The Directness Behavior (D/I) [Low Moderate Intensity]

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“How this individual's dominance and 'results now focus' is impacted by their desire to interact, connect and relate to others.” The Directness behavior measures HOW the strength of this individual's direct, assertive and results oriented communication style is influenced by their desire to build relationships and connect with others. Higher intensity scores identify a willingness to make and defend tough and even unpopular decisions while Lower intensity scores will identify an inclination to search for a more socially interactive, popular and accommodating solution.

Intensity Scoring Legend – DISC Style intensity is a measure of how you will likely display the specific behavior when interacting and communicating with others in most situations.

- **Low Intensity** - Low Intensity scores indicate the ABSENCE of this behavior in MOST situations.
- **Low Moderate** - Low Moderate Intensity scores are only SOMETIMES observable in SOME situations.
- **Moderate Intensity** - Moderate Intensity scores do not mean “mild.” Moderate means the behavior is flexible and may or may not become observable based upon the requirements of the specific situation.
- **High Moderate** - High Moderate Intensity scores are frequently observable in many situations.
- **High Intensity** - High Intensity scores will be clearly observable, displayed more often and seen in most situations.

Behavioral Pattern View

The BPV has eight behavioral zones. Each zone identifies a different combination of behavioral traits. The peripheral descriptors describe how others typically see individuals with your style. Plots on the outer edges of the diamond identify that one factor (DISC) of your style will dominate the other three. As you move towards the center of the diamond two and eventually three traits combine to moderate the intensity of your style descriptors within a specific behavioral zone.

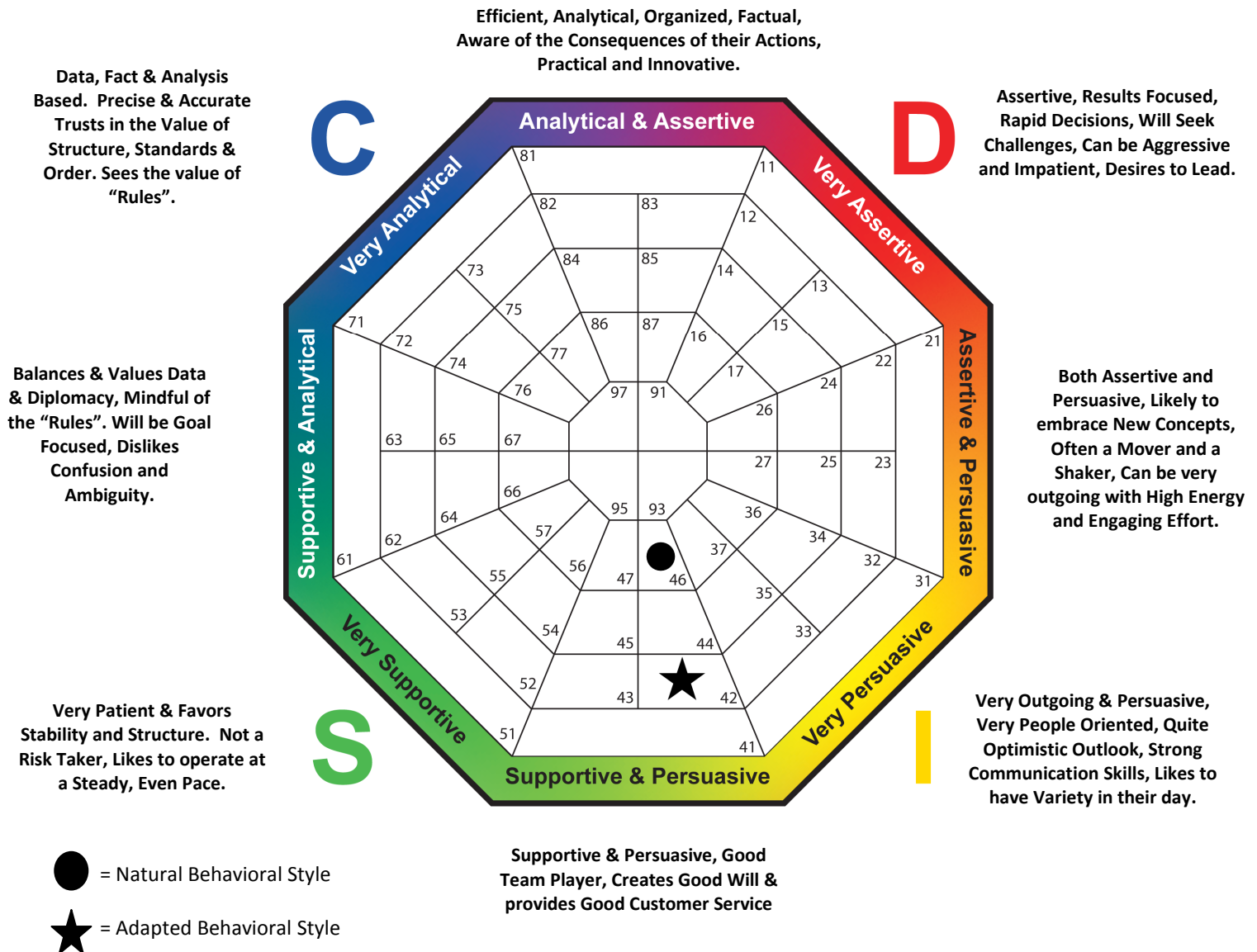
THE SCORING LEGEND

D = Dominance: How you deal with Problems

I = Influence/Extroversion: How you deal with Other People

S = Steadiness/Patience: How you deal with your Activity Level

C = Conscientious/Compliance/Structure: How you deal with the "Organization's Rules" as well as the focus on details, accuracy and precision



PART II Application of DISC Styles

Understanding your own behavioral style is just the first step to enhancing relationships. All the knowledge in the world doesn't mean much if you don't know how to apply it in real life situations. That's what the rest of this report is all about.

To really begin to use the power of behavioral styles, you also need to know how to apply the information to people and situations. Remember, people want to be treated according to their behavioral style, not yours!

THIS APPLICATION SECTION INCLUDES:

- Overview of the Four Basic DISCstyles
- How to Identify Another Person's Behavioral Style
- What is Behavioral Adaptability
- How to Modify Your Style
- Tension Among the Styles
- How to Adapt to the Different Behavioral Styles

This section will help you understand how to be more effective in relationships and situations. Good relationships can get better and challenging relationships may become good.

After reviewing the information, select a relationship in which things have not gone as smoothly as you would like. Make a commitment to at least take the time to gain an understanding of the other person's behavioral style and take a few steps to adapt your behavior to improve the relationship. Here's how to do it:

- 1 Identify the behavioral style of the other person using the How to Identify Another Person's Behavioral Style section. You can read about their style in Overview of the Four Basic DISCstyles. The section on What Is Behavioral Adaptability gives you an in-depth insight into what adaptability is, what it is not, and why it's so important to all your interpersonal relationships.
- 2 Once you know their style and preferences for directness and/or openness, you can use the How to Modify Your Directness and Openness section to adjust these areas when relating to this person. You will be amazed at the difference.
- 3 To further understand the tension that may exist in the relationship, you can refer to the Tension Among the Styles section and complete the Tension Among the Styles Worksheet. Being aware of the differences in preference in pace and priority, and modifying accordingly, can make a big difference in those tension-filled relationships.
- 4 And finally, the last section, How to Adapt to the Different Behavioral Styles, will give you suggestions when dealing with each of the four basic styles.

Overview of the Four Basic DISCstyles

Below is a chart to help you understand some of the characteristics of each of the Four Basic DISC Styles, so you can interact with each style more effectively. Although behavioral style is only a partial description of personality, it is quite useful in describing how a person behaves, and is perceived in personal, social and work situations.

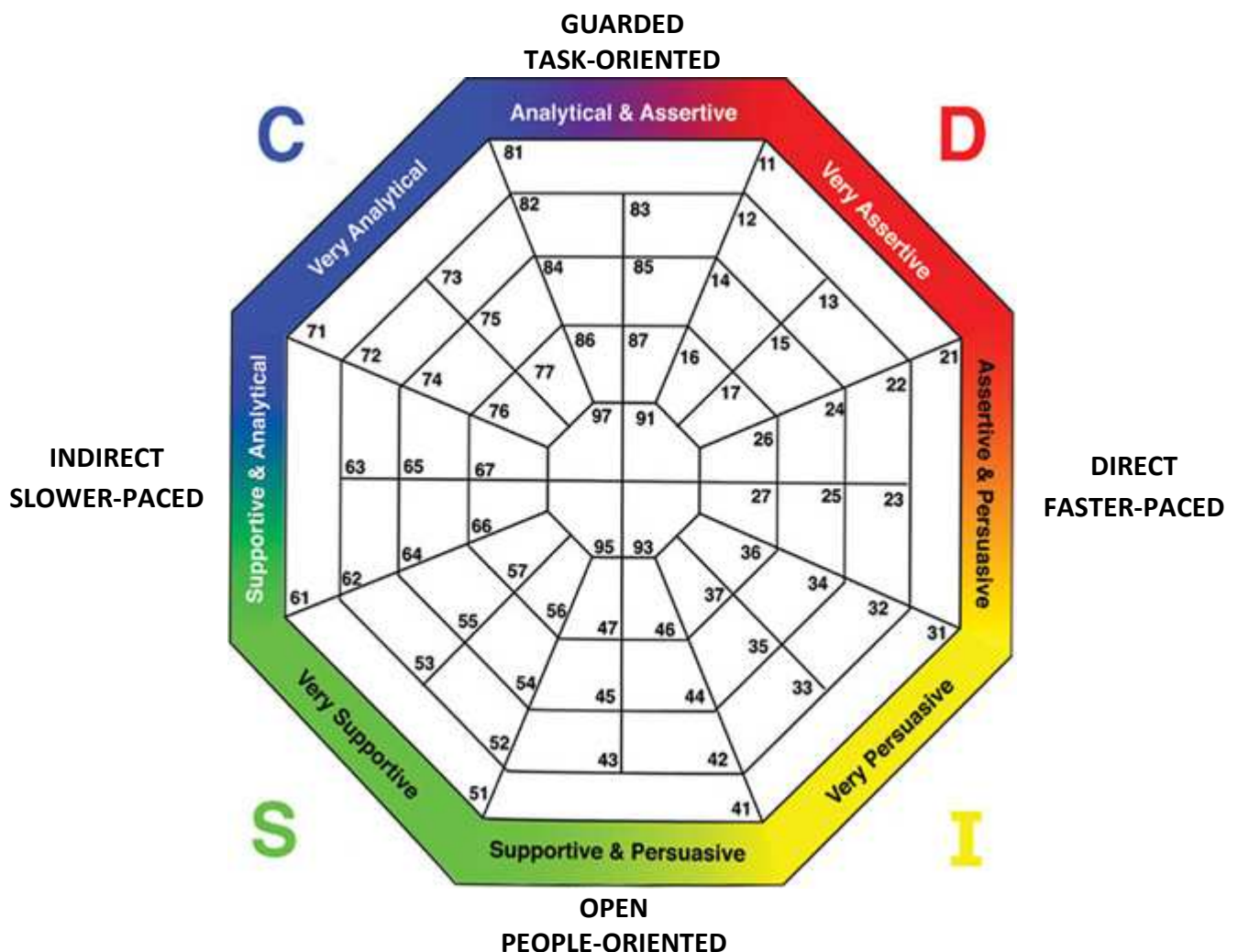
	HIGH DOMINANT STYLE		HIGH INFLUENCING STYLE		HIGH STEADY STYLE		HIGH CONSCIENTIOUS STYLE
PACE	Fast/Decisive		Fast/spontaneous		Slower/Relaxed		Slower/Systematic
PRIORITY	Goal		People		Relationship		Task
SEEKS	Productivity Control		Participation Applause		Acceptance		Accuracy Precision
STRENGTHS	Administration Leadership Pioneering		Persuading Motivating Entertaining		Listening Teamwork Follow-through		Planning Systemizing Orchestration
GROWTH AREAS	Impatient Insensitive to others Poor listener		Inattentive to detail Short attention span Low follow-through		Oversensitive Slows to begin action Lacks global perspective		Perfectionist Critical Unresponsive
FEARS	Being taken advantage of		Loss of social recognition		Sudden changes Instability		Personal criticism of their work efforts
IRRITATIONS	Inefficiency Indecision		Routines Complexity		Insensitivity Impatience		Disorganization Impropriety
UNDER STRESS MAY BECOME	Dictatorial Critical		Sarcastic Superficial		Submissive Indecisive		Withdrawn Headstrong
GAINS SECURITY THROUGH	Control Leadership		Playfulness Others' approval		Friendship Cooperation		Preparation Thoroughness
MEASURES PERSONAL WORTH BY	Impact or results Track records and products		Acknowledgments Applause Compliments		Compatibility with others Depth of contribution		Precision Accuracy Quality of results
WORKPLACE	Efficient Busy Structured		Interacting Busy Personal		Friendly Functional Personal		Formal Functional Structured

How to Identify Another Person's Behavioral Style

How do you quickly and accurately identify each of the four behavioral styles in order to practice adaptability? You do this by focusing on two areas of behavior — DIRECTNESS and OPENNESS. So, to quickly identify the styles of other people ask the questions on the following page.

When you combine both scales, you create each of the four different behavioral styles. Individuals who exhibit guarded and direct behaviors are Dominance Styles; direct and open behaviors are Influence Styles; open and indirect behaviors are Steadiness Styles; and indirect and guarded behaviors are Conscientious Styles.

The Whole Picture



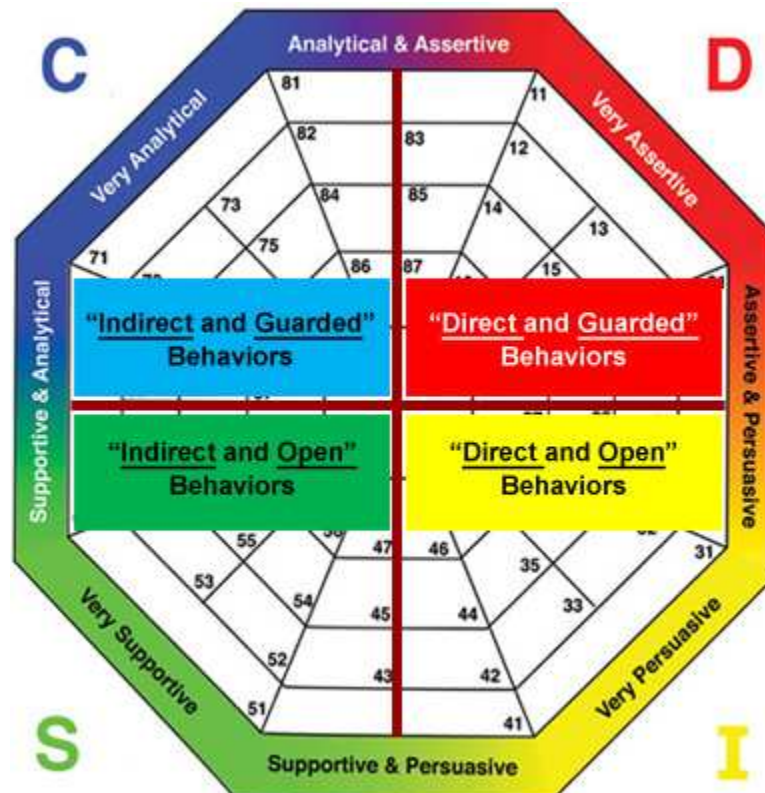
Recognizing another person's Behavioral Style - 2 Power Questions:

1. Are they **DIRECT** or **INDIRECT** in their communications?

(Directness is the 1st. Predictor of Style. Direct plot on the right, Indirect on the Left).

2. Are they **GUARDED** or **OPEN** in their communications?

(Openness is the 2nd. Predictor of Style. Open plot on the Bottom, Guarded on the Top).



When we integrate both the natural tendency to be either **DIRECT** or **INDIRECT** with the natural tendency to be either **GUARDED** or **OPEN** it forms the foundation and the basis for plotting each of the four different behavioral styles:

D = Individuals who typically exhibit *direct & guarded behaviors* define the **Dominant Styles**

I = Individuals who exhibit *direct & open behaviors* define the **Influence/Extroverted Styles**.

S = Individuals who exhibit *indirect & open behaviors* define the **Steadiness/Patient Styles**.

C = Individuals who exhibit *indirect & guarded behaviors* define the **Conscientious/Compliant Styles**.

The behavioral intensity of directness or indirectness and being open or guarded is shown in the quadrant you plot. The plots towards the edge of the diamond reflect **MORE INTENSITY** and those plotting closer to the center reflect a **MORE MODERATE INTENSITY** of both characteristics.

What is Behavioral Adaptability?

Adaptability is your willingness and ability to adjust your approach or strategy based on the particular needs of the situation or relationship at a particular time. It's something applied more to yourself (to your patterns, attitudes and habits) than to others.

No one style is naturally more adaptable than another. For any situation, the strategic adjustments that each style needs to make will vary. The decision to employ specific adaptability techniques is made on a case-by-case basis: you can choose to be adaptable with one person, and not so with others. You can choose to be quite adaptable with one person today and less adaptable with that same individual tomorrow. Adaptability concerns the way you manage your own behaviors.

You practice adaptability each time you slow down for a **C** or **S** style; or when you move a bit faster for the **D** or **I** styles. It occurs when the **D** or **C** styles take the time to build the relationship with an **S** or **I** style; or when the **I** or **S** styles focus on facts or get right to the point with **D** or **C** styles. It means adjusting your own behavior to make other people feel more at ease with you and the situation

Adaptability does not mean "imitation" of the other person's style. It does mean adjusting your openness, directness, pace, and priority in the direction of the other person's preference, while maintaining your own identity.

Adaptability is important to all successful relationships. People often adopt a different style in their professional lives than they do in their social and personal lives. We tend to be more adaptable at work with people we know less. We tend to be less adaptable at home and with people we know better.

Adaptability at its extreme could make you appear wishy-washy and two-faced. A person who maintains high adaptability in all situations may not be able to avoid stress and inefficiency. There is also the danger of developing tension from the stress of behaving in a "foreign" style. Usually, this is temporary and may be worth it if you gain rapport with others. At the other end of the continuum, no adaptability would cause others to view someone as rigid and uncompromising because they insist on behaving according to their own natural pace and priority.

Effectively adaptable people meet other people's needs and their own. Through practice, they are able to achieve a balance: strategically managing their adaptability by recognizing when a modest compromise is appropriate, or, when the nature of the situation calls for them to totally adapt to the other person's behavioral style, they do so. Adaptable people know how to negotiate relationships in a way that allows everyone to win. They are tactful, reasonable, understanding, and non-judgmental.

Your adaptability level influences how others judge their relationship with you. Raise your adaptability level and trust and credibility go up; lower your adaptability level and trust and credibility go down. Adaptability enables you to interact more productively with difficult people and helps you to avoid or manage tense situations. With adaptability you can treat other people the way THEY want to be treated.

How to Modify Your Directness and Openness

In some interpersonal situations, you will only be able to identify another person's directness or openness, but not both. In these situations, you need to know how to practice adaptability, one behavioral dimension at a time. With that in mind, let's look at what you can do to modify YOUR level of Directness or Openness before looking at specific guidelines for being more adaptable with each of the four styles.

Directness

TO INCREASE:

- Speak, move and make decisions at a faster pace
- Initiate conversation and decisions
- Give recommendations
- Use direct statements rather than roundabout questions
- Use a strong, confident voice
- Challenge and tactfully disagree, when appropriate
- Face conflict openly, but don't clash with the person
- Increase your eye contact

TO DECREASE:

- Talk, walk and make decisions more slowly
- Seek and acknowledge others' opinions
- Share decision-making
- Be more mellow
- Do not interrupt
- When talking, provide pauses to give others a chance to speak
- Refrain from criticizing, challenging or acting pushy
- When disagreeing, choose words carefully

Openness

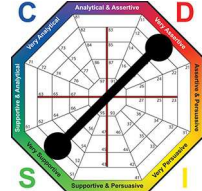
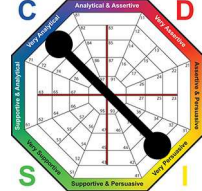
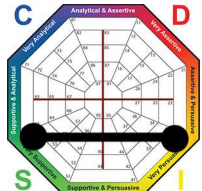
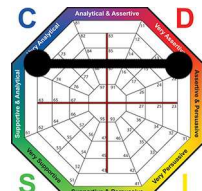
TO INCREASE:

- Share feelings; show more emotion
- Respond to the expression of others' feelings
- Pay personal compliments
- Take time to develop the relationship
- Use friendly language
- Communicate more; loosen up and stand closer
- Be willing to digress from the agenda

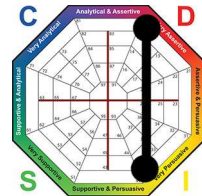
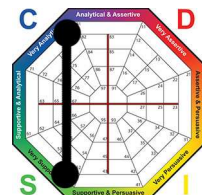
TO DECREASE:

- Get right to the task – the bottom line
- Maintain more of a logical, factual orientation
- Keep to the agenda
- Do not waste the other person's time
- Do not initiate physical contact
- Downplay your enthusiasm and body movement
- Use businesslike language

Tension Among the Styles

Potential Tensions/Disconnects	Plot Points Example
<p>Double Tensions of Patience vs. Urgency AND People versus Task</p> <p>Pattern 1: The High S's preferred Patient & Slower Pace with a Primary Focus on People rather than on results and task can conflict with the High D's Sense of Urgency and a focus on Tasks and Results and Now.</p>	 <p>High S + High D (Lower Left vs. Upper Right Quadrant)</p>
<p>Double Tensions of Patience vs. Urgency AND People versus Task</p> <p>Pattern 2: The High C's lack of Urgency with a Primary Focus on Tasks/Results can conflict with the High I's higher Urgency with a Primary Focus on People vs. Results and Tasks.</p>	 <p>High C + High I (Upper Left vs. Lower Right Quadrant)</p>
<p>Patience vs. Urgency Tensions:</p> <p>The High S's innate patience can conflict with the High I's Sense of Urgency.</p>	 <p>High S + High I (Lower Left vs. Lower Right Quadrant).</p>
<p>Patience vs. Urgency Tensions:</p> <p>The High C's focus on exercising patience to assure accuracy and avoid errors can conflict with the High D's focus on results, do it NOW solutions, and immediate action.</p>	 <p>High C + High D (Upper Left vs. Upper Right Quadrant)</p>

Tension Among the Styles, continued

Potential Tensions/Disconnects	Plot Points Example
<p>People versus Tasks Tensions:</p> <p>The High D's focus on Results, Tasks, and Action can conflict with the High I's Focus on People, Feelings and Sociable Correctness.</p>	 <p>High D + High I (Upper Right vs. Lower Right Quadrant)</p>
<p>People versus Tasks Tensions:</p> <p>The High C's focus on Data, Analysis, Accuracy, and Precision can conflict with the High S's Focus on People, Teamwork, Personal Connection and a Feeling of Family.</p>	 <p>High C + High S (Upper Left vs. Lower Left Quadrant)</p>

Tension Among the Styles WORKSHEET

Everybody has a few tension-filled relationships. You can have the highest regard and/or loving feelings toward the person. It seems no matter what you do, your interactions are usually stressful. If this is behavior related, applying The Platinum Rule® - Treat others the way THEY want to be treated – may be helpful. Complete this worksheet to gain insights on how to improve the relationship. If you feel comfortable, you may discuss with the other person things you can do to ease the tension.

First, refer to the section on How to Identify Another Person's Style and determine their primary behavioral style. Then refer to the Tension Model to identify their pace and priority preferences. Next, see which preferences are different than yours and note the strategy you will take to modify your behavior. If both preferences are the same as yours, then determine where you will allow their needs to be placed above yours. For example, if you are a High I with fast-pace and people-oriented preferences and the other person is as well, you might let them have the center stage in times when it is not as important for you. A little give and take will go a long way.

JANE DOE'S INFORMATION

STYLE: C

PACE: Slower-paced

PRIORITY: Goal/Task-oriented

RELATIONSHIP

Name: John Doe

Style: High I

Pace: Faster-paced

Priority: People-oriented

Difference: Pace and Priority

Strategy: Be more personable, social, upbeat, and faster-paced with John

RELATIONSHIP 1

Name: _____

Style: _____

Pace: _____

Priority: _____

Difference: _____

Strategy: _____

RELATIONSHIP 2

Name: _____

Style: _____

Pace: _____

Priority: _____

Difference: _____

Strategy: _____

How to Adapt to the **DOMINANT** Style

They're time-sensitive; so don't waste their time. Be organized and get to the point. Give them relevant information and options, with probabilities of success. Give them written details to read at their leisure — all on a single page.

The Dominant Styles are goal-oriented, so appeal to their sense of accomplishment. Stroke their egos by supporting their ideas and acknowledge their power and prestige. Let the D Style call the shots. If you disagree, argue with facts, not feelings. In groups, allow them to have their say because they are not the type who will take a back seat to others. With the Dominant Style, in general, be efficient and competent.

AT WORK, HELP THEM TO...

- More realistically gauge risks
- Exercise more caution and deliberation before making decisions
- Follow pertinent rules, regulations, and expectations
- Recognize and solicit others' contributions
- Tell others the reasons for decisions
- Cultivate more attention/responsiveness to emotions

SALES AND SERVICE...

- Plan to be prepared, organized, fast-paced, and always to the point
- Meet them in a professional and businesslike manner
- Learn and study their goals and objectives – what they want to accomplish, how they currently are motivated to do things, and what they would like to change
- Suggest solutions with clearly defined and agreed upon consequences as well as rewards that relate specifically to their goals
- Get to the point
- Provide options and let them make the decision, when possible

IN SOCIAL SETTINGS...

- Let them know that you don't intend to waste their time
- Convey openness and acceptance of them
- Listen to their suggestions
- Summarize their achievements and accomplishments
- Give them your time and undivided attention
- Appreciate and acknowledge them when possible

How to Adapt to the **INFLUENCING** Style

The Influencing Styles thrive on personal recognition, so pour it on sincerely. Support their ideas, goals, opinions, and dreams. Try not to argue with their pie-in-the-sky visions; get excited about them.

The I Styles are social-butterflies, so be ready to flutter around with them. A strong presence, stimulating and entertaining conversation, jokes, and liveliness will win them over. They are people-oriented, so give them time to socialize. Avoid rushing into tasks.

With the Influencing Styles, in general, be interested in them.

AT WORK, HELP THEM TO...

- Prioritize and organize
- See tasks through to completion
- View people and tasks more objectively
- Avoid overuse of giving and taking advice
- Write things down

SALES AND SERVICE...

- Show that you're interested in them, let them talk, and allow your animation and enthusiasm to emerge
- Take the initiative by introducing yourself in a friendly and informal manner and be open to new topics that seem to interest them
- Support their dreams and goals
- Illustrate your ideas with stories and emotional descriptions that they can relate to their goals or interests
- Clearly summarize details and direct these toward mutually agreeable objectives and action steps
- Provide incentives to encourage quicker decisions
- Give them testimonials

IN SOCIAL SETTINGS...

- Focus on a positive, upbeat, warm approach
- Listen to their personal feelings and experiences
- Respond openly and congenially
- Avoid negative or messy problem discussions
- Make suggestions that allow them to look good
- Don't require much follow-up, detail or long-term commitments
- Give them your attention, time and presence

How to Adapt to the **STEADY** Style

They are relationship-oriented and want warm and fuzzy relationships, so take things slow, earn their trust, support their feelings, and show sincere interest. Talk in terms of feelings, not facts. The S Styles don't want to ruffle feathers. They want to be assured that everyone will approve of them and their decisions. Give them time to solicit co-workers' opinions. Never back a Steady Style into a corner. It is far more effective to apply warmth to get this chicken out of its egg than to crack the shell with a hammer.

With the Steady Style, in general, be non-threatening and sincere.

AT WORK, HELP THEM TO...

- Utilize shortcuts and discard unnecessary steps
- Track their growth
- Avoid doing things the same way
- Realize there is more than one approach to tasks
- Become more open to some risks and changes
- Feel sincerely appreciated
- Speak up and voice their thoughts and feelings
- Modify their tendency to automatically do what others tell them
- Get and accept credit and praise, when appropriate

SALES AND SERVICE...

- Get to know them more personally and approach them in a non-threatening, pleasant, and friendly, but professional way
- Develop trust, friendship, and credibility at a relatively slow pace
- Ask them to identify their own emotional needs as well as their task or business expectations
- Get them involved by focusing on the human element... that is, how something affects them and their relationships with others
- Avoid rushing them and give them personal, concrete assurances, when appropriate
- Communicate with them in a consistent manner on a regular basis

IN SOCIAL SETTINGS...

- Focus on a slower-paced, steady approach
- Avoid arguments and conflict
- Respond sensitively and sensibly
- Privately acknowledge them with specific, believable compliments
- Allow them to follow through on concrete tasks
- Show them step-by-step procedures
- Behave pleasantly and optimistically
- Give them stability and minimum of change

How to Adapt to the **CONSCIENTIOUS** Style

They are time-disciplined, so be sensitive to their schedules. They need details, so give them data. They are task-oriented; so don't expect to become their friend before working with them. Friendship may develop later, but, unlike the Influencing Styles, it is not a prerequisite.

Support the Conscientious Styles in their organized, thoughtful approach to problem solving. Be systematic, logical, well prepared and exact with them. Give them time to make decisions and work independently. Allow them to talk in detail. In work groups, do not expect the C Styles to be leaders or outspoken contributors, but do rely on them to conduct research, crunch numbers, and perform detailed footwork for the group. If appropriate, set guidelines and exact deadlines. The C Styles like to be complimented on their brainpower, so recognize their contributions accordingly.

With the C Styles, be thorough, well prepared, detail-oriented, business-like, and patient.

AT WORK, HELP THEM TO...

- Share their knowledge and expertise with others
- Stand up for themselves with the people they prefer to avoid
- Shoot for realistic deadlines and parameters
- View people and tasks less seriously and critically
- Balance their lives with both interaction and tasks
- Keep on course with tasks, less checking
- Maintain high expectations for high priority items, not everything

SALES AND SERVICE...

- Prepare so that you can answer as many of their questions as soon as possible
- Greet them cordially, but proceed quickly to the task; don't start with personal or social talk
- Hone your skills in practicality and logic
- Ask questions that reveal a clear direction and that fit into the overall scheme of things
- Document how and why something applies
- Give them time to think; avoid pushing them into a hasty decision
- Tell them both the pros and cons and the complete story
- Follow through and deliver what you promise

IN SOCIAL SETTINGS...

- Use a logical approach
- Listen to their concerns, reasoning, and suggestions
- Respond formally and politely
- Negative discussions are OK, so long as they aren't personally directed
- Privately acknowledge them about their thinking
- Focus on how pleased you are with their procedures
- Solicit their insights and suggestions
- Show them by what you do, not what you say

Building and Maintaining Rapport Throughout the Selling Cycle

There are five definable stages to most every buying cycle. Successfully guiding prospects through each phase will lead to positive outcomes for both of you.

1. Connecting: Understanding DISC styles will have an impact on the impression you make in the first few minutes of a meeting. In that short, precious time, you make or break the sale. In that time, your prospect sizes you up and determines if you are the type of person he or she would like to do business with.

The purpose of making contact with your prospect is to begin opening up lines of communication. Great listeners make the best salespeople... period. Master the skill of effective listening and every other aspect of your relationships will improve.

2. Exploring: The purpose of Exploring is to get an accurate picture of the customer's needs and what it will take to provide an effective solution. To do so, you need to listen to what the customer says as well as know how to ask the right questions to get the information you need.

Asking intelligent questions is a critical sales skill. It does not require asking many questions - just the right ones. Asking questions is similar to painting a picture. You start with a blank canvas and begin to fill in the background and rough in the picture with broad-brush strokes. Then you fill in the details using finer and finer strokes.

3. Collaborating: During this phase, you and your prospect collaborate to find a solution that meets the prospect's needs. It is a process of taking your prospect's ideas and combining them with your own ideas to arrive at a solution that makes sense to both of you.

The give-and-take exchange can be thought of as an opportunity to "switch heads" with your prospect. Imagine saying this to your customer: "If you and I could switch heads, that is, if you could know what I know about my product and if I could know what you know about your business, we would both know exactly how to give you the best possible solution for your needs."

That's your goal - to come as close as possible to the perfect knowledge that would allow you to develop the ideal solution for your prospect. To achieve that goal, you need to exchange enough information to fully understand your client's business, industry, trends and challenges; and they have to know as much as possible about your products and services and how they can help them. As you propose a solution, relate it to the prospect's needs discovered in the Explore phase and explain how it will work in your prospect's environment.

4. Confirming: Gaining commitment flows naturally out of the Exploring and Collaborating stages for the DISC salesperson. If you did a thorough job during the first three stages of selling: Contacting, Exploring and Collaborating, the prospect should close.

The Confirming stage is a critical point in building a customer partnership. DISC salespeople do not use fancy closing techniques. You cannot work through all the stages of the sale and then, at the end, try to use a manipulative closing technique to clinch the deal. It doesn't make sense... and it most certainly doesn't work when you're trying to build long-term customer relationships rather than simply closing one-shot sales.

5. Assuring: A great weakness of most salespeople is the way they handle the Assuring phase of the sales process. Most salespeople stop with getting the sales commitment; they disappear from the customer's life, leaving service, installation, training and follow-up to others.

One "old-school" method of selling has an adage that the sale begins when the customer says "no." In direct contrast, the real job of selling starts when the customer says "yes."

Assuring customer satisfaction is a secret ingredient of extraordinary sales success. You will benefit two ways by assuring each customer. First, this assures repeat business. Almost all products have a life cycle and will be replaced or upgraded. Customers have a tendency to return to the salesperson who previously matched them with a product that met their needs and then provided excellent service and follow-up.

Secondly, satisfied customers are excellent sources of referrals. Customers talk. They talk about poor service and they talk about extraordinary service. When they get super service, they refer others to the salesperson who delivered on his or her promises.

Without repeat business and referrals, a salesperson must constantly prospect and cold-call new accounts. That is not the way most salespeople want to spend their lives... and it certainly is not the best way to be successful!

When you start the sales process, you have a chance to begin building a good customer relationship. However, it is only after the sale, when you make sure your customer is satisfied (preferably delighted!), that you really cement the relationship.

Phase 1: Building Rapport During Initial Contact

Connecting with C's	Connecting with D's
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "C's" don't care much about social interaction (beyond common courtesy and standard pleasantries), so get to the point. • Avoid making small talk, except to initially establish your credibility. • Speak slowly, calmly and economize on words. • "C's" are precision-oriented people who want to do their jobs in the best possible manner. • Build your credibility by thinking with your head, not your emotions. • Before meeting, provide them with a brief overview of the agenda and length of meeting, so they know what to expect. • Show them logical proof from reliable sources that accurately document your quality, record of accomplishment, and value. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "D's" want to know the bottom line. • Just give them enough information to satisfy their need to know about overall performance. • They do not want you to waste their time giving them a bolt-by-bolt description of your product, presenting a long list of testimonials from satisfied clients, or getting too chummy with them – always remember that they are Direct and Guarded. • When you write, call, or meet a "D", do it in a formal, businesslike manner. Get right to the point. Focus quickly on the task. • Refer to bottom line results, increased efficiency, saved time, return on investment, profits, and so on. In other words, tell him what's in it for him. • If you plan to sell something or present a proposal to a "D", take care to be well organized, time-conscious, efficient, and businesslike. • They do not want to make friends with you; they want to get something out of you if they think you have something of value to offer.
Connecting with S's	Connecting with I's
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "S's" are Indirect and Open. However, keep the relationship businesslike until they warm up to you. • They are concerned with maintaining stability; they want to know step-by-step procedures that are likely to meet their need for details and logical action plans. • Organize your presentation: list specifics, show sequences, and provide data. • Treat them with honesty, sincerity, and personal attentiveness. • Listen patiently to their stories, ideas and answers. • Express your appreciation for their steadiness, dependability, and cooperativeness. • Present yourself to be non-threatening, pleasant, friendly, but still professional. • Develop trust, credibility, and friendship at a relatively slow, informal pace. • Communicate with them in a consistent manner on a regular basis... especially at the outset. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remember that they are Direct and Open. • When you meet an "I", shake hands firmly, introduce yourself with confidence, and immediately show personal interest. • Let him set the pace and direction of the conversation. • Be an especially attentive listener with "I's". • Give them positive feedback to let them know that you understand and can relate to their visions, ideas and feelings. • Tell humorous or unusual stories about yourself, to win their heart. • Allow them to feel comfortable by listening to their stories, even to the point of talking about topics that may stray from the subject. • Since "I's" typically enjoy talking about themselves, ask questions about them, but be prepared for lengthy answers. Plan to have as many meetings as necessary to build the relationship and gather information.

Phase 2: Maintaining Rapport in the Exploring Stage

Exploring with C's	Exploring with D's
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "C's" don't care much about social interaction (beyond common courtesy and standard pleasantries), so get to the point. • "C's" often like to answer questions that reveal their expertise, so they can be very good interviewees. • As long as you ask logical, fact-oriented, relevant questions, they will enjoy speaking with you. • Phrase your questions to help them give you the right information. • Ask open and closed questions that investigate their knowledge, systems, objectives and objections. • Make your own answers short and crisp. • If you do not know the answer to something, do not fake it. Tell them you'll get the answer for them by a certain time, and then do it. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To head off the "D's" impatience before it surfaces, keep your conversations interesting by alternately asking questions and offering relevant information. • "D's" need to view the meeting as purposeful, so they want to understand where your questions are leading. • When asking a "D" question, make them as practical and logical as possible. Aim questions at the heart of the issue and ask them in a straightforward manner. • Only request information that is unavailable elsewhere. • When gathering information, ask questions showing you have done your homework about their desired results and current efforts. • Be sure to make queries that allow him to talk about his business goals. • Gear your exploring toward saving D's time and energy.
Exploring with S's	Exploring with I's
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "S's" can be excellent interviewees, so talk warmly and informally and ask gentle, open questions that draw them out (especially around sensitive areas). • Show tact and sincerity in exploring their needs. • If they do not have a good feeling about your product, company, or even you, they are not likely to take the chance of hurting your feelings by telling you so. • They want to avoid confrontations, even minor ones. So "S's" may tell you what they think you want to hear, rather than what they really think. • They may not tell you about their dissatisfaction with your competitors. Even though this is exactly what you want to hear, the "S" may be hesitant about saying anything negative about them. • Allow for plenty of time (possibly multiple meetings) for "S's" to open up to you and reveal their innermost desires and pains. • The more time you spend with an "S" exploring, the higher the odds you'll be landing them as a customer. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "I's" get bored quickly when they're not talking about themselves. • Strike a balance between listening to their life's stories and gathering the information you need to be an effective sales consultant. • When asking business questions, keep them brief. If you can, work these exploratory questions in with social questions. • The better your relationship with an "I" is, the more willing he'll be to cooperate and talk about the task at hand. • "I's" can be so open they may tell you their fondest hopes and aspirations. If you can demonstrate how your product or service can get them closer to their dreams, they may become so excited about your product—and you—that they're likely to sell you and your products and services to everyone else in their organization.

Phase 3: Maintaining Rapport in the Collaborating Stage

Collaborating with C's	Collaborating with D's
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emphasize accuracy, value, quality and reliability. • They dislike talk not backed up by evidence. • Describe a process will produce the results they seek. • Elicit specific feedback by asking, "So far, what are your reactions?" or "Do you have any questions that you'd like me to clear up?" • Present your solution that shows them they'll be correct in making the purchase. • Base your claims on facts, specifications and data that relate specifically to their needs. • "C's" are cost-conscious; increase their perceived value with facts and ROI data. • "C's" are the likely to see the drawbacks, so point out the obvious negatives before they do. Let them assess the relative trade-offs when choosing between competing (yet imperfect) products or services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your presentation must be geared toward the "D's" priorities. • Gear your presentation toward how they can become more successful, save time, generate results, and make life easier and more efficient; you'll get their attention. • Zero in on the bottom line with quick benefit statements. • They want you to do the analysis and lay it out for them to approve or reject. • "D's" like rapid, concise analyses of their needs and your solutions. • "D's" like being in control, so give them choices backed with enough data and analysis to allow them to make an intelligent decision. • Then, be quiet and let them make their decision. If you speak or interrupt while they are buying, you will dramatically decrease the odds of making this sale
Collaborating with S's	Collaborating with I's
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show how your product or service will stabilize, simplify, or support the "S's" procedures and relationships. • Clearly define their roles and goals in your suggestions, and include specific expectations of them in your plan. • Present new ideas in a non-threatening way. • Provide them time to adjust to changes in operating procedures and relationships. • When change becomes necessary, tell them why. Explain how long the changes will take and any interim alterations of the current conditions. • Design your message to impart a sense of stability and security. • "S's" like to be shown the appropriate steps to follow, so share those with them. • Involve them by asking their opinions and encourage them to give you feedback. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show how your product would increase the "I's" prestige, image, or recognition. • Talk about the favorable impact or consequences your suggestions will have in making their working relationships more enjoyable. • Give them incentives for completing tasks by stressing how their contribution will benefit others and evoke positive responses from them. • Presentations need impact for people with short attention spans, so involve as many senses as possible. • Show them how your solution will save them effort and make them look good. • Back up your claims with testimonials from well-known people or high-profile corporations. • Name satisfied acquaintances they know and admire. • Sprinkle in "visualizing future ownership" questions, such as: "If you were already running this software, how would you use it?"

Phase 4: Maintaining Rapport in the Confirming Stage

Confirming with C's	Confirming with D's
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emphasize accuracy, value, quality and reliability. • Provide logical options with appropriate documentation and time to analyze their options. • They're uncomfortable with snap decisions and when they say they will think about it, they mean it! • If pressured by people or excessive demands, they may use "I'll think about it," as a stalling tactic. • "C's" are educated, logical, comparative "shoppers." Know your competition so you can point out your advantages relative to the competition in a factual, professional way. Mention your company's strengths as you suggest questions they may want to ask your competitors that allows them to do a comparative cost-benefit analysis of the options and solutions. • Be willing to explore the subject of a conditional, "pilot program" as a way of reducing their risk. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With "D's", you come right out and ask if they are interested. A "D" will tell you "yes" or "no". • You can easily lose the attention and/or interest of a "D" by presenting your information too slowly or by spending too much time discussing minute details. • When you draw up a commitment letter, don't spend too much time on points the "D" may not care about. • Present them with options and probable outcomes. "D's" like to balance quality with cost considerations, so offer options with supporting evidence and leave the final decision to them. • We have found that it is effective to present a "D" with two or three options. Provide a short summation of each option, along with your recommendation of each. • While the "D" is reviewing your proposal, don't interrupt them. The odds are high that they will find an option that appeals to them and closing the deal themselves.
Confirming with S's	Confirming with I's
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "S's" are slower, deductive decision makers who listen to the opinions of others and take the time to solicit those opinions before deciding. So, make a specific action plan and provide personal guidance, direction or assurance as required for pursuing the safest, most practical course to follow. Arm them with literature, case studies and any documentation available, because they'll be "selling" your proposal to others within their organization. • When you do reach agreement, carefully explore any potential areas of misunderstanding or dissatisfaction. • "S's" like guarantees that new actions will involve a minimum risk, so offer assurances and support. • Try not to rush them, but do provide gentle, helpful nudges to help them decide (when needed). • Involve them by personalizing the plan and showing how it will benefit them and others. • When asking for a commitment, guide them toward a choice if they seem indecisive. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show how your product would increase the "I's" prestige, image, or recognition. • Be open and ask, "Where do we go from here?" or "What's our next step?" • If they like something, they buy it on the spot (all other things being equal). • You may have to slow them down because they also tend to overbuy and/or buy before weighing all the ramifications; behaviors that both of you may live to regret. • "I's" dislike paperwork and details so they are likely to hesitate, and even procrastinate, when it comes to spending the time required on a contract. • Have a written agreement prepared due to their tendency to be unclear about procedures, responsibilities and expectations. • Make sure that you agree on the specifics in writing or, later on, you can almost bet on some degree of misunderstanding and/or disappointment.

Phase 4: Maintaining Rapport in the Assuring Stage

Assuring C's	Assuring D's
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set a specific timetable for when and how you will measure success with the "C". Continue proving your reliability, quality and value. • Make yourself available for follow-up on customer satisfaction and ask for specific feedback on the product or service performance record. • If you have tips for improved usage or user shortcuts, email them to your "C" customers. • You should also ask for their ideas and opinions for how to improve your products and/or services. • When they offer you their suggestions, get back to them about how your company is incorporating their ideas into upgrades into future upgrades, revisions or new products. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "D's" usually do not look for personal relationships at work due to their focus on accomplishing tasks. • With "D's," do not rely on past sales to ensure future purchases. Follow up to find out if they have any complaints or problems with your product. If they do have complaints, address them immediately. • Impress upon your customer your intent to stand behind your product or service. • Stress that you will follow-up without taking much of their time. • You may also want to offer a money-back guarantee. • Whatever the promise, make sure you deliver everything you offer!
Assuring S's	Assuring I's
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow-up consistently with an "S". • Give them your personal guarantee that you will remain in touch, keep things running smoothly, and be available on an "as needed" basis. • "S's" like to think they have a special relationship with you; that you are more than just another business acquaintance; they prefer a continuing, predictable relationship. • Give them your cell number, along with an invitation to call you any time with any concern. They will rarely use it, but will feel secure knowing it's available to them. • They dislike one-time deals, so follow up to maintain your relationship. • Impersonal, computerized follow-up is not very appealing to "S's", so continue building your relationship with low-key, personalized attention and assistance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "I's" frequently buy before they're sold which may lead to buyers' remorse. • "I's" can benefit from ongoing reminders that they have made the right decision. • Reinforce their decision by giving plenty of assistance immediately after the sale. • Be certain they actually use your product or they may get frustrated from incorrect usage and either put it away or return it for a refund. • Since they mingle with so many people, you can even ask "I's" if they'd be willing to share their glowing testimonials about you and your product with others. • If they are feeling smart for using your product or service, most "I's" will give you more referrals than the other three styles combined!

Phase	With D's	With I's	With S's	With C's
Connecting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skip small talk • Lead with the main point • Show up fully prepared 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allow for time and stories before turning focus to business at hand • Let them set the pace of the conversation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stick to business until they warm up to you • Don't rush into agenda first • Take an active interest in them 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skip small talk • Bring an agenda • Remain cool, calm and professional
Exploring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Let him/her know where the questions are headed • Only ask for information that's unavailable elsewhere • Answer their questions directly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternate questions between them personally and business • Gently guide them back to the topic • Keep the focus on their vision and goals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be sincerely interested in their answers • Never interrupt them • Ask nonthreatening questions to draw them out over time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask questions that reveal their expertise • Keep the questions focused on the topic • Alternate open and closed-ended questions
Collaborating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make any presentation brief • Focus on the bottom line and/or time savings • Provide concise analysis of needs along with your professional recommendations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Involve as many senses as possible • Ask for their ideas often • Sprinkle in testimonials • Provide incentives for making decisions • Show how the solution enhances their image and/or saves them effort 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show how solution will simplify, add stability or support their goals • Present new ideas in a non-threatening way • Never rush them, but provide gentle, helpful nudges toward a decision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emphasize value, accuracy, precision, quality and reliability • Stick to facts and logic; attempt to reduce risks when possible • Never pressure for any decision • Remain cool and emotionally detached
Confirming	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flat out ask if they are interested • Present two or three options with recommendations and summaries • Be quiet while they review and decide 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Openly ask, "Where do you see us going next?" • Be ready to take their order • Slow them down if they're buying too quickly • Do the paperwork for them 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They are slow decision makers and like to consult opinions of others • Don't press for a decision • Focus on a guarantee if relevant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide logical options with documentation • Give them both time and space to make their decisions • Point out any glaring downside to deal if one exists • Suggest a pilot program or warranty to reduce risk
Assuring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow-up to ensure they're 100% satisfied with solution • Keep the relationship all business • Make certain you deliver on every small promise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reinforce their decision by providing ample assistance after the sale • Make sure they don't get frustrated (they don't read instructions) • Help them use the product/service to reduce anxiety 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide consistent follow-up along with personal assurances • Give them private phone number to reach you • Remind them that you also desire a long-term business relationship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share your process and/or timetable for your follow-up • Double-check their method for measuring satisfaction • Email them ideas and shortcuts • Reinforce value, quality and reliability.

TAKING OWNERSHIP OF YOUR OWN DESTINY

Imagine what would have happened if you had successfully applied the principles and practices of *Platinum Rule Selling* ten years ago... or even five years ago? Well, hundreds of thousands of people like you have already used these principles and experienced dramatic increases in sales volumes, more satisfaction in their dealings with customers and co-workers (family and friends, also!), and greater awareness of their own strengths and weaknesses. Many people report that they no longer feel like “just a salesperson”; they feel, behave and are treated like a *trusted advisor*. They have an increased ability to help people find solutions to their problems and are more adept at identifying new opportunities.

For you to also share in the pleasure from experiencing these benefits, we encourage you to get started this very minute. First, think about the goals you want to accomplish in the next year... the next month... the next week... even by the end of today! Develop a plan to meet those goals using **The Platinum Rule – Do Unto Others as They Would Have You Do Unto Them** - and the other principles that make up the **DISC Selling Strategies**.

Accept the Challenge

This first step requires your *personal commitment* to this challenge and your *belief* in these principles and putting them to work for you. Of course, any skill takes practice, and you cannot realistically expect to put all of them into effect immediately. However, the minute you start to sell people they way *they* want to buy, you'll start to see immediate results.

Commit to Growth

“Change is inevitable... growth is optional.” We love that saying because it's true. Right now, you have the option to take this moment and make a life-changing decision. You may decide to *keep learning* about yourself, your strengths and weaknesses, how you make decisions, how you come across to other people, etc... You may decide to learn more about DISC styles and apply your new knowledge in other relationships beyond selling - relationships with your co-workers, children, spouse and/or family.

Hopefully, you may decide to use this report as a jumping-off point for a new direction in your career. If that thought excites you, we urge you to learn more about how DISC may be applied in all phases of business: prospecting, networking, marketing, communications, customer service, referral building, client loyalty, hiring, management, leadership, etc... We offer programs, technology, books, CD's, DVD's, self-paced online courses, speeches, and on-site workshops that are all specifically designed to help you apply this amazing concept in key facets of your business and your life.

Here's wishing you continued success!

PART III Seven Dimensions of Motivation

The Elements of the Motivation Index

This Motivation Index is unique in the marketplace in that it examines seven independent and unique aspects of motivation. Most similar instruments only examine six dimensions of motivation by combining the Individualistic and Political into one dimension. This Motivation Index remains true to the original works and models of two of the most significant researchers in this field, thus delivering to you a profile that truly helps you understand your own unique motivations and drivers.

In addition, the Motivation Index is the first to use a click & drag approach to ranking the various statements in the instrument, which makes taking the instrument more intuitive, natural and in the end you can actually create the order you see in your mind on the screen. Finally, the Motivation Index instrument contains the most contemporary list of statements to make your choices more relevant to your life today, which helps ensure the most accurate results possible.

A closer look at the seven dimensions

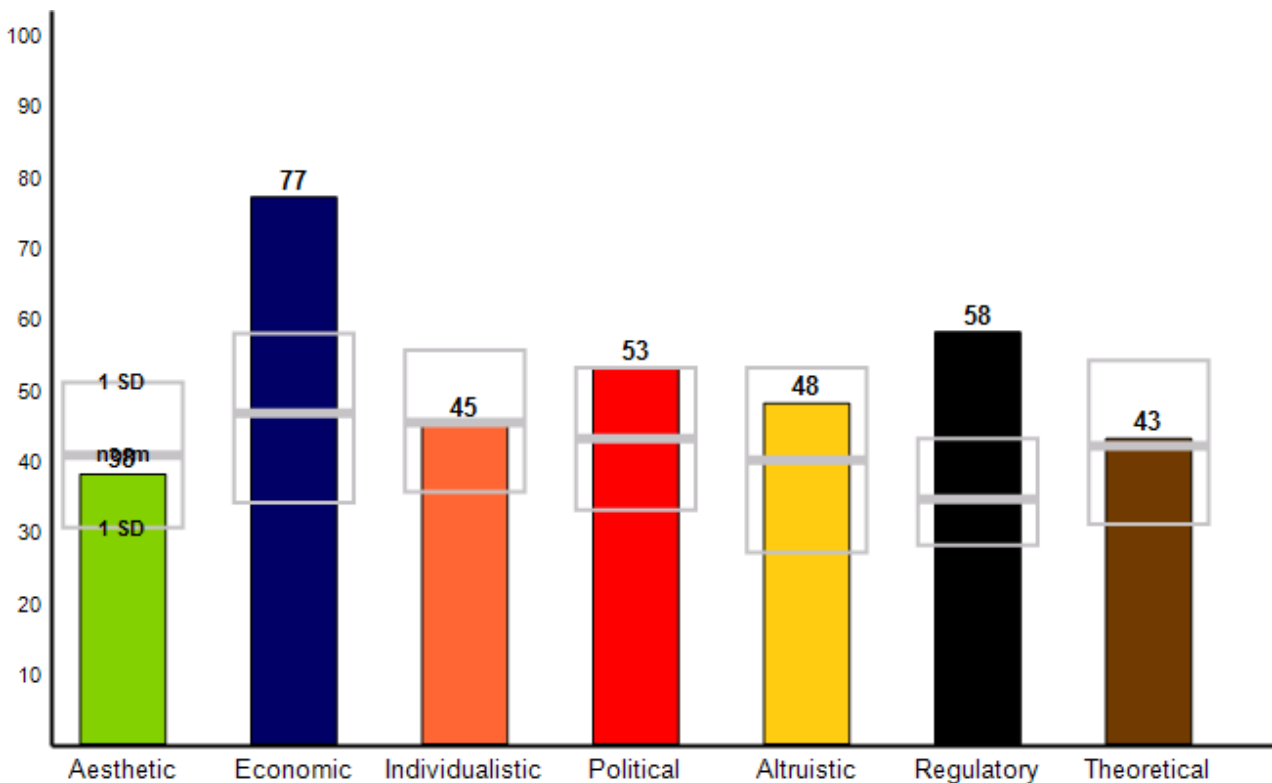
Motivation helps influence behavior and action and can be considered somewhat of a hidden motivation because they are not readily observable. Understanding your Motivation helps to tell you why you prefer to do what you do.

It is vital for superior performance to ensure that your motivations are satisfied by what you do. This drives your passion, reduces fatigue, inspires you and increases drive.

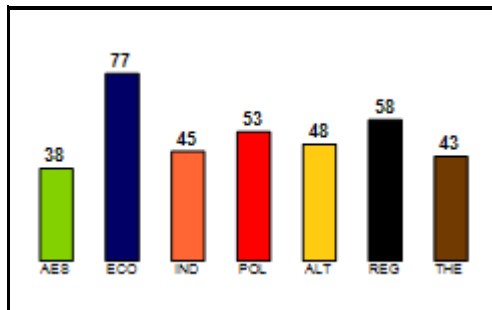
Value	The Drive For
Aesthetic	Form, Harmony, Beauty, Balance
Economic	Money, Practical results, Return
Individualistic	Independence, Uniqueness
Political	Control, Power, Influence
Altruistic	Altruism, Service, Helping others
Regulatory	Structure, Order, Routine
Theoretical	Knowledge, Understanding

Executive Summary of Sample's Motivation

Average Aesthetic	You are able to appreciate the benefit for balance and harmony without losing sight of the practical side of things.
Very High Economic	You are very competitive and bottom-line oriented.
Average Individualistic	You are not an extremist and able to balance the needs of both others and self.
High Political	You are able to accept the credit or take the blame with a 'the buck stops here' attitude.
Average Altruistic	You are concerned for others without giving everything away; a stabilizer.
High Regulatory	You have a strong preference for following established systems or creating them if none present.
Average Theoretical	You are able to balance the quest for understanding and knowledge with the practical needs of a situation.



Your Aesthetic Drive



The Aesthetic Dimension: The main motivation in this value is the drive to achieve balance, harmony and find form or beauty. Environmental concerns or "green" initiatives are also typically prized by this dimension.

General Traits:

- You work equally well with the artistic and non-artistic types.
- You can work well with others to create and innovate.
- You possess a healthy balance between form and function.
- You respect others' needs to express their creativity.
- You possess the average level of aesthetic appreciation, near the national mean.

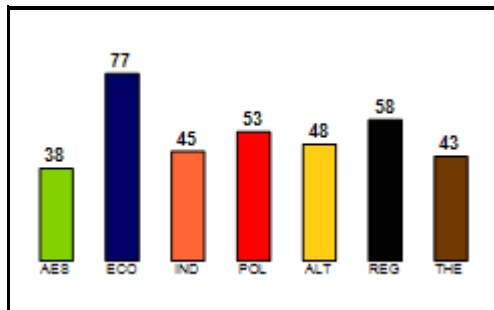
Key Strengths:

- You appreciate a sense of balance between work and life, but are not paralyzed without it.
- You appreciate renewable and environmentally friendly (green) approaches.
- You value conservation efforts as both renewing but also practical.
- You are willing to help others strictly out of support or appreciation of their efforts.
- You enjoy certain artistic aspects or ideas, but on a normal level without being extreme.

Motivational Insights:

- You appreciate the need for conservation efforts and preserving balance and harmony in the surroundings.
- You believe that art and form can be uplifting and positive, even for those with no artistic ability.
- You balance team efforts between doing it right and doing it enjoyably.
- You possess a level of artistic interest or appreciation that is right at the national mean.
- To you, balance between work and life is important.

Your Aesthetic Drive (continued)



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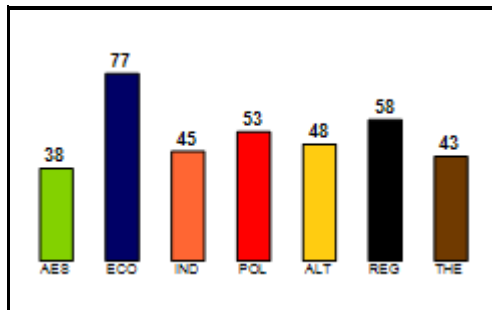
Training/Learning Insight:

- You are supportive of a variety of training and professional development efforts.
- You work fine with either team learning, or individual learning.
- You like to learn for the sake of personal development and growth.
- Your learning should be equal parts form and function, not all function.

Continual Improvement Insights:

- Since your score is at the national mean, it is important to review other Values drives for a more complete look at areas for quality improvement.
- You may benefit by taking a more visible position on teams.
- You could benefit by ensuring your life is well balanced between personal and professional worlds.
- Remember that it is OK that some don't appreciate artistry, balance or harmony and you can serve as a bridge between those who do and don't see value in such things.

Your Economic Drive



The Economic Dimension: This dimension examines the motivation for security from economic gain, and to achieve practical returns. The preferred approach of this dimension is a professional one with a focus on bottom-line results.

General Traits:

- People who score like you tend to like rewards based on the results they achieve rather than on the method used to obtain the results.
- You are motivated by high pay, and attaches importance to high earnings.
- You are goal driven, especially financial goals.
- You are interested in what is practical and useful in achieving your vision of success.
- You may fit the stereotype of the highly driven American businessperson, motivated by economic incentives.

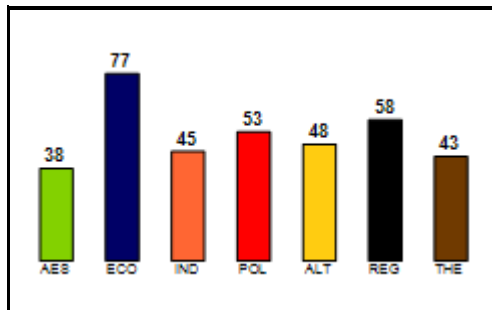
Key Strengths:

- You pay attention to return on investment in business or team activity.
- Your decisions are made with practicality and bottom-line dollars in mind.
- You will protect organizational or team finances, as well as your own.
- You are able to multi-task in a variety of areas, and keep important projects moving.
- You are highly driven by competition, challenges, and economic incentives.

Motivational Insights:

- You should reduce the potential visible "greed-factor" which may appear in your style.
- You provide substantial room for financial rewards for excellent performance.
- You make certain that economic rewards are fair, clearly communicated, and provide a high-end return for those willing to work for it.
- You realize that it's not just money that motivates, but also personal fulfillment in the job.
- You are certain to reward performance, and encourage participation as an important member of the team.

Your Economic Drive (continued)



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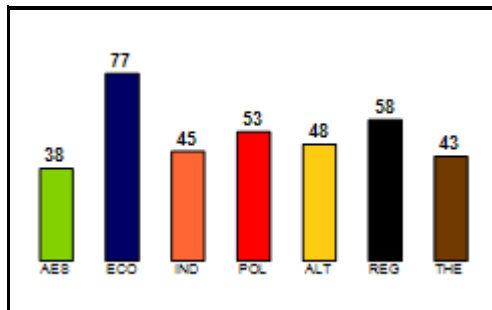
Training/Learning Insight:

- If possible, you should build in some group competition as a part of the training activities.
- You should link learning outcomes to the ability to become more effective in increasing earnings for both yourself and the organization.
- You should attempt to provide some rewards or incentives for participation in additional training and professional development.
- Your scores are like those who want information that will help them increase bottom-line activity and effectiveness.

Continual Improvement Insights:

- You may need to work on balancing other Values scales and appreciating the strengths that others bring, even those who may not share this very strong Economic drive.
- You may need to hide the dollar signs in your eyes in order to establish the most appropriate rapport with others.
- While this very high economic drive may be a significant motivating factor in achieving your goals, it may also become a visible "greed factor" especially in sales people, and others sharing this very high economic drive.
- You may need to learn how to mask that greed factor so as not to alienate a prospect, customer, or client.
- You may need to have an increased sensitivity to the needs of others, and less demonstration of potential selfishness.

Your Individualistic Drive



The Individualistic Dimension: The Individualistic dimensions deals with one's need to be seen as unique, independent, and to stand apart from the crowd. This is the drive to be socially independent and have opportunity for freedom of personal expression.

General Traits:

- You show the ability to take a leadership role when asked and also to be supportive team member when asked.
- You have the ability to take a stand on an issue when necessary, to yield position when necessary, and to do both with equal sincerity.
- You show moderate social flexibility in that you would be considered as one who is socially appropriate and supportive of others on the team.
- You are generally not considered an extremist on ideas, methods, or issues in the workplace.
- You have the ability to take or leave the limelight and attention given for special contributions.

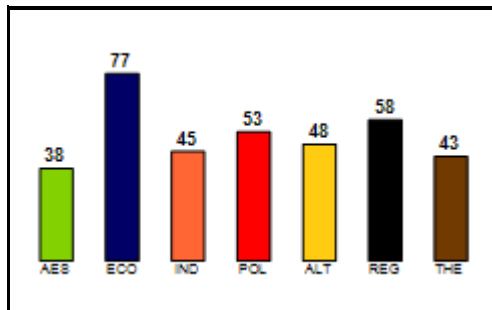
Key Strengths:

- You are able to take a stand with emphasis, or to be a more quiet member supporting a position.
- You are able to see both sides of the positions from those with higher and lower Individualistic scores.
- You may be seen as a stabilizing force in organizational operations and transactions.
- You may be considered flexible and versatile without being an extremist.
- You may be able to mediate between the needs of the higher and lower Individualistic members of the team.

Motivational Insights:

- Remember that you score like those with a high social flexibility, that is, you can assume an appropriate leadership role for a team, or be a supportive team member as the situation requires.
- Remember that you show the ability to get along with a wide variety of others, without alienating those with opinions in extreme positions on the spectrum.
- You act as a balancing or stabilizing agent in a variety of team environments.
- You bring an Individualistic drive typical of many professionals, i.e., near the national mean.
- You can provide input to gain a center-lane perspective on an organizational issue related to this Values scale.

Your Individualistic Drive (continued)



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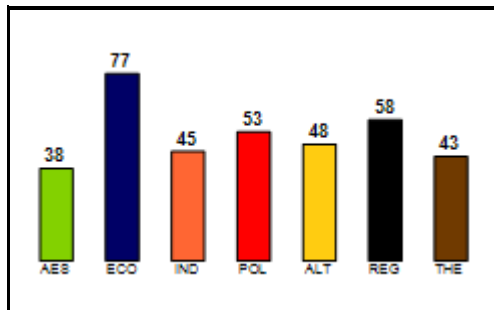
Training/Learning Insight:

- You are able to be a flexible participant in training and development programs.
- You tend to enjoy both team-oriented and individual or independent learning activities.
- You will be a supportive member of the training experience from the viewpoint of this Values dimension.
- Because this score is near the national mean, please check other higher and lower Values areas to obtain additional insight into learning preferences.

Continual Improvement Insights:

- Without necessarily picking sides, you may need to take a stand on some issues related to individual agendas.
- To gain additional insight, you should examine other values drives to determine the importance of this Individualistic drive factor.
- You should allow space for those with higher Individualistic drives to express themselves in appropriate ways.
- You should avoid criticizing those with higher or lower Individualistic drives, since all Values positions are positions deserving respect.

Your Political Drive



The Political Dimension: This drive is to be seen as a leader, and to have influence and control over one's environment or success. Competitiveness is often associated with those scoring high in this motivation.

General Traits:

- You like to be your own boss and to have control over time and resources to accomplish goals.
- You have a bottom-line approach to getting things done.
- You are an active agent in tough decision-making roles.
- You are comfortable being in a leadership position and seek those roles.
- You are accountable for actions and decisions: Are ready to take the credit or the blame.

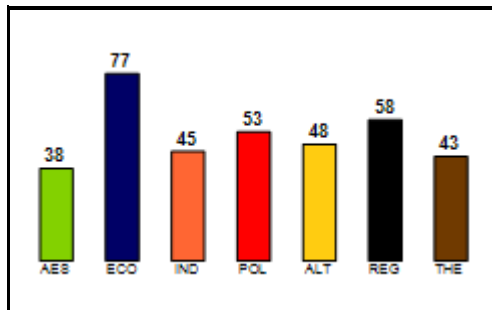
Key Strengths:

- You have a 'buck stops here' approach to business and getting things done.
- You have a high energy level to work hard at meeting goals.
- You accept struggle and hard work toward a goal.
- You are able to plan and design work projects for teams to accomplish.
- You are able to plan and control your own work tasks.

Motivational Insights:

- You prefer freedom to take risks, but also need the boundaries and limits to the risk-taking freedom.
- You score like others who may feel stifled if surrounded by many constraints.
- You appreciate occasional public recognition and praise for successes.
- You may need to be more willing to share the attention and successes for wins.
- You prefer an environment with minimal involvement with routine, detail, and paperwork.

Your Political Drive (continued)



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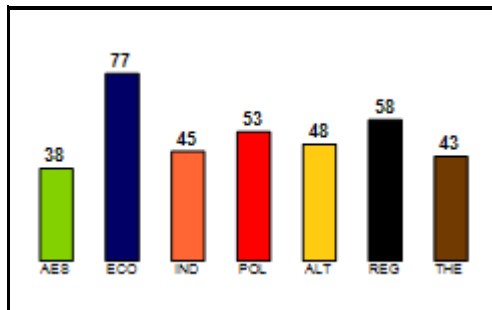
Training/Learning Insight:

- If group activities are involved, attempt to build in some competition and group leadership events.
- Some who share this score range may prefer independent study instead of group or team learning activities.
- You link learning successes with potential to increase personal credibility and motivation of teams when working with others.
- You provide for a variety of learning and professional development options.
- You provide for individual recognition for exceptional performance.

Continual Improvement Insights:

- You may need to be more sensitive to the needs of others on the team.
- You may be perceived as one who oversteps authority without cause.
- You may show impatience with others who don't see the big picture as clearly.
- You may need to soften your own agenda at times and allow for other ideas and methods to be explored.
- You may project a high sense of urgency which may also translate to some as a high intensity.

Your Altruistic Drive



The Altruistic Dimension: This drive is an expression of the need or drive to benefit others in a humanitarian sense. There is a genuine sincerity in this dimension to help others, give of one's time, resources and energy, in aid of others.

General Traits:

- You are able to see the points of view from both the higher and lower Altruistic score locations.
- You will not create an imbalance between your own needs and those of others.
- You balance helping others with personal concerns very effectively.
- You have a good sense for when to freely help others and when to say "No."
- You are very much in line with the average level of altruism seen in business environments.

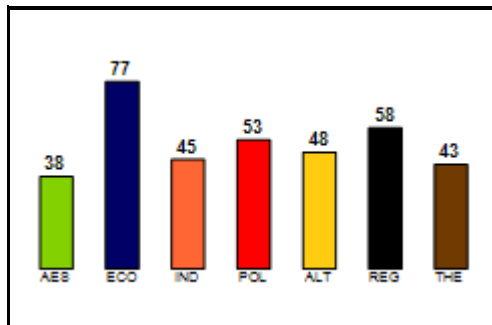
Key Strengths:

- You have a solid balanced view of helping others without doing everything for them.
- You possess a realistic and practical approach to helping others help themselves.
- You appreciate the need to help others without sacrificing one's own self too much.
- You are willing to pitch in and help others as needed.
- You see value pitch in others through personal actions.

Motivational Insights:

- You are practical in how much to help others versus other objectives.
- You possess a healthy balance between a self focus and a focus on others.
- You will strike a moderate level of giving and taking in interactions with others.
- You have a very typical level of appreciation for others relative to the general working world.
- You will be a good judge of how much to involve others versus making the command decision.

Your Altruistic Drive (continued)



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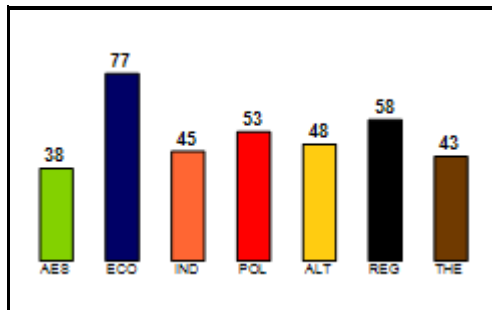
Training/Learning Insight:

- You would be more motivated by incorporating other motivators that are higher in drive and score locations.
- You are flexible between learning with a team or learning independently.
- You enjoy learning that highlights both your own personal gain and some altruistic aspect as well.
- You are likely supportive of the trainers themselves.

Continual Improvement Insights:

- You will be more influenced by other motivations in the report that are higher and when connected with, will return much more passion and drive.
- You might benefit from taking more of a lead, as opposed to waiting for others to lead.
- You need to know that efforts to help others are practical and deliver a business benefit as well.
- You should respect those who may not share your interest in understanding or benefiting others.

Your Regulatory Drive



The Regulatory Dimension: The Regulatory drive indicates one's drive to establish order, routine and structure. This motivation is to promote rules and policies, a traditional approach and security through standards and protocols.

General Traits:

- You see rules as a key to results.
- You prefer documenting activity and like lists.
- You are accepting of established rules and policies.
- You prefer routine and order.
- You respect tradition a lot.

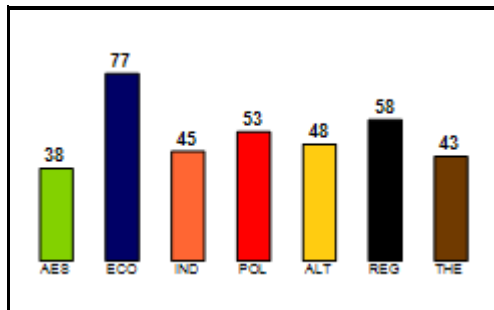
Key Strengths:

- You maintain timelines and meet deadlines.
- You provide a sound stabilizing base for dynamic situations.
- You are reliable and dependable.
- You have high attention to details.
- You are efficient and effective in organizing tasks and most work.

Motivational Insights:

- Work quickly to correct missing needs or inaccuracies to maintain productivity.
- Ensure adequate information, resources and time to complete tasks.
- You should make sure the reasons behind instructions are clearly demonstrated.
- You prefer detailed, written and specific guidelines to follow.
- You prefer a structured and routine environment to work in.

Your Regulatory Drive (continued)



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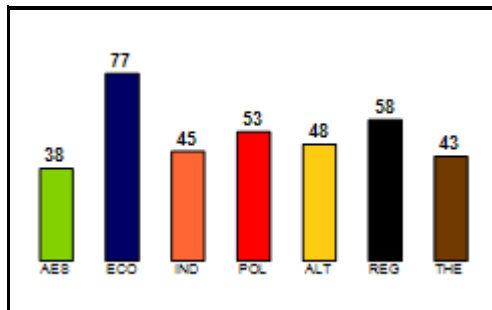
Training/Learning Insight:

- You will prefer learning activities that are structured and detailed.
- You are a well disciplined learner.
- You like to understand the why behind the what when learning new things.

Continual Improvement Insights:

- Explore a little. Discovering new ways to do things can be rewarding.
- You should be consistent in enforcing rules for everyone.
- You should try being a little more flexible.
- You should put things in writing.
- You should realize that others have their own way of doing things too and be open to that.

Your Theoretical Drive



The Theoretical Dimension: The drive to understand, gain knowledge, or discover the "truth". This motivation can often be to gain knowledge for knowledge sake. Rational thinking, reasoning and problem solving are important to this dimension.

General Traits:

- You typically won't get bogged down in minutia, nor will you ignore the details when decision-making.
- You are able to understand the needs of the big picture issues, and appreciate the needs of the minutia issues without being an extremist.
- Your score near the mean indicates the Theoretical need is not unimportant, yet not a primary driving factor in your motivational behavior.
- You may provide a balance between the very high theoretical approaches and the very low approaches and be able to communicate with each side.
- You bring a sense of balance and stability to a variety of technical issues and features impacting the team.

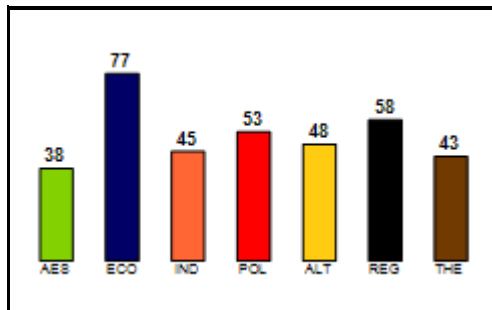
Key Strengths:

- You will demonstrate awareness of the necessary technical features and an appropriate on-the-job response as needed.
- You bring flexibility to the team, that is, being detail-oriented when necessary, and being practically-oriented other times.
- You are a stabilizing force on the team.
- You are able to appreciate the needs of both the high and lower Theoreticals.
- You show curiosity about technical details without getting bogged down.

Motivational Insights:

- Remember that you have the ability to be a balancing and stabilizing agent on high knowledge-driven issues, without being an extremist toward either side.
- You bring a knowledge-drive typical of many business professionals, i.e., near the national mean.
- Your perspective provides a middle-ground understanding.
- Check for other values drives that may be higher or lower than this one in order to gain a more robust picture of specific keys to your motivation.

Your Theoretical Drive (continued)



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Training/Learning Insight:

- You are rather flexible and accepting of most training programs offered in the organization.
- You are able to see the need for training and also realize the importance of practical information.
- You understand the needs of the high Theoreticals who want more information and the lower Theoreticals who want only the necessary information.
- Because your score range is near the national mean, please check other areas of higher or lower values drive for additional insight into professional development needs.

Continual Improvement Insights:

- You may need to be a bit more demonstrative on some complex theoretical issues.
- You may be asked to take a firmer stand or position on team initiatives.
- You may need to examine other values' drives to determine the importance of this Theoretical drive factor.

Relevance Section

Use this sheet to help you track which motivators are well aligned and which are not, and what you can do about it.

Action Step: Looking at your Motivation Index report, find which motivators are the most powerful for you (i.e., which ones are highest and farthest above the norm). Write down the top two in the space below, and record how well your current roles align with these motivators (i.e., how well what you do satisfies what you are passionate about).

		Alignment				
		Poorly				Highly
Motivator #1:	_____	1	2	3	4	5
Motivator #2:	_____	1	2	3	4	5

Legend:

2-4 = Poor

8-9 = Excellent

4-5 = Below Average

10 = Genius

6-7 = Average

Tally Your Score Here

To reach Genius levels of passion, you must increase alignment of your environment with your passions.

Motivator #1: what aspects of your company or role can you get involved in that would satisfy this motivator?

Motivator #2: what aspects of your company or role can you get involved in that would satisfy this motivator?

Success Connection

Your final step to making sure you really benefit from the information in this report is to understand how your behavioral style contributes to, and perhaps hinders, your overall success.

Supporting Success: Overall, how well do your motivators and drivers help support your success? (cite specific examples):

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Limiting Success: Overall, how do your natural drivers or motivators not support your success? (cite specific examples):

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So Now What?

This report is filled with information about your style and each of the four primary behavioral styles. So now you have an understanding and an awareness of the four different behavioral styles.

There are many suggestions in the application section of this report for you to apply this behavioral style information. Take the next step and DO the exercises if you skipped over them.

Don't put this report on a shelf or in a file. Your style is just not as important as having the opportunity to use this information to open up a meaningful dialogue with others to improve all your relationships. Use this report as a reference tool. There is a lot of information in it and it is not meant to be digested in just one reading.

Have fun with making a few minor changes in your behavior and experience the results. You might be surprised! Remember The Platinum Rule®: "Treat others the way THEY want to be treated." You will have much more success in all your relationships!

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