

Answer the questions below.

In class, we discussed two important communication theories: Nonverbal Expectancy Violation Theory and Communication Accommodation Theory. Apply each of these theories to your own experiences.

### **Expectancy Violation Theory**

Describe a time when another person violated your expectations for nonverbal behavior.

What was the behavior that you expected to experience in this situation? Explain your expectations in terms of the three sources of expectations identified in class (context, relationship, and communicator).

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How were your expectations violated?

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What was your experience of that violation? Explain your experience in terms of the typical experience features described in class (physiological arousal, attention, etc.).

Your response here

How did you interpret that violation? Explain your interpretation in terms of the three features described in class (reward power, relationship with the expectation, magnitude).

Your response here

### **Communication Accommodation Theory**

Describe a time when you experienced, noticed, or intentionally used converging nonverbal behaviors when interacting with someone.

Your response here

Describe a time when you experienced, noticed, or intentionally used diverging nonverbal behaviors when interacting with someone.

Your response here