

#### **WORKING WITH HUMANS**

#### **How to Create Positive and Productive Relationships**

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A diverse workforce is especially beneficial for **problem solving**, **innovation** and **performance**. However, it also adds a layer of **complexity** to our social dynamics.

People who are <u>different</u> from us <u>challenge</u> us.

#### **Understanding Workstyles**

- "Workstyle" defines how you <u>behave at work</u>, your <u>preferences</u>, and <u>tendencies</u>.
- We all have a <u>natural style</u> and the power to <u>consciously adapt it</u>.

#### **Disclaimers**

- Workstyles are not an exact science; use this information as a jumping off point for discussion
- No style is "better" or "worse" than any other
- All styles have strengths and weaknesses
- All styles provide value to the organization

The model we are using is based on the DISC Assessment, which was developed using data from psychological and scientific research.

# Capture Your Own Style & the Styles of People You Work With and For

The Director / The Lion	The Socializer / The Dog
The Thinker / The Owl	The Relater / The Elephant

# **OUTGOING / FASTER PACED** THE DIRECTOR (The Lion) THE SOCIALIZER (The Dog) **Focus on RESULTS FOCUS on INTERACTIONS** Assertive Collaborative Confident Expressive Decisive High Energy Determined Motivational Forceful Persuasive PEOPLE ORIENTED Persistent **Talkative** TASK ORIENTED Self-Starter Visionary THE THINKER (The Owl) THE RELATER (The Elephant) **Focus on DATA Focus on TRUST** Calm Analytical Cautious Cooperative Competent Dependable Factual Patient Logical Predictable Patient Stable Reserved Supportive

**RESERVED / SLOWER PACED** 

# Group Style: Remember: You are not trying to come up with hard and fast "rules". Just identify some tips you might recommend to people working with your type. Communication & Collaboration Do's Communication & Collaboration Don'ts

**Group Activity** 

## Please also pick a group spokesperson

## How to Use this Information to Build Positive & Productive Relationships

# **Managing Conflict**

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Strengths overused often become weaknesses...

**NOTES** 

# **Practicing Self-Awareness**

Style	Potential Weaknesses	Strategies to Improve		
The Director	<ul> <li>Aggressive, demanding</li> <li>Take on too much</li> <li>Impatient, impulsive</li> <li>Unrealistic expectations</li> <li>Lack of diplomacy</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pace yourself</li> <li>Become a more patient, open listener</li> <li>Show sensitivity and empathy</li> <li>Act less hastily</li> </ul>		
The Socializer	<ul> <li>Easily distracted</li> <li>Inattentive to details</li> <li>Poor listener</li> <li>Overly interested in popularity</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Concentrate on the job at hand</li> <li>Control time and emotions</li> <li>Follow through on promises</li> <li>Pay more attention to details</li> </ul>		
The Relater	<ul> <li>Avoids conflict</li> <li>Difficulty setting boundaries</li> <li>Slow paced</li> <li>Inflexible, indecisive</li> <li>Slow to change</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Learn to say no and set limits</li> <li>Avoid oversensitivity</li> <li>Take some risks</li> <li>Demonstrate a sense of urgency</li> </ul>		
The Thinker	<ul> <li>Overly critical and intense</li> <li>Perfectionistic</li> <li>Bogged down in details</li> <li>Picky</li> <li>Rigid</li> <li>Lack of attention to feelings</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Use rules as guidelines, not laws (within reason)</li> <li>Make timely decisions</li> <li>Collaborate with others</li> <li>Show appreciation and concern for others</li> </ul>		

## **Be Intentional**

What do I need to bring to this situation with this person at this time to create the outcomes I want?
Is adaptation inauthentic? How can we adapt to others while still being true to ourselves?
"If we can't keep our professional relationships friendly, we have to keep them smart."
LISA OLSEN

## **MEET YOUR PRESENTER**



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