Leadership is like the Game of Twister^{™-} If You Can't Find Your Balance, You're Out! August 22, 2012, 3:10 p.m. – 6:10 p.m. 2012 MOWAA Annual Conference Gaylord National Harbor Hotel





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Workshop Outcomes: What You Will Learn:

- A methodology for understanding people.
- Understanding who you are, why you do what you do, and what motivates you into action.
- Better understanding of how you fit into your role, your team, and the overall organizational culture.
- Gaining insight into how your personality can drive (or impede) business goals and objectives.
- Learn how you need to adapt your style to meet your MOWAA goals.
- Learn effective strategies on how to increase your "influencing skills" to make a positive impact on key stakeholders.

What do YOU hope to gain from today's program?



AGENDA

3:00 – 4:15 pm

- Introduction
- Personal Focus Questions
- Brief Learning Lab on the Impact of Communication
- Overview of Behavioral and Communication Styles
- An Exercise
- Break

4:30 – 6:00 pm

- Your Behavioral and Communication Styles
 - o Team
 - \circ Individual
- Personal Action Plan Your Call to Action!
- Wrap up on Time



TYPES OF COMMUNICATION

Effective communication relies on our ability to send and receive information, or feedback. When we communicate, informally or formally, in writing or in conversation, we perform three basic skills.

- 1. **Presenting** How we **send** information to others.
- 2. *Listening* How we **receive** information from others.



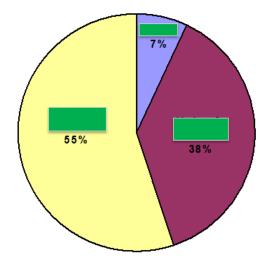


We each have a unique way of communicating, and our natural behavioral and communication styles *influence* all three skill areas.

Some of us are good listeners, while some of us are eloquent speakers. We communicate and interpret the world around us based on our personal preferences for giving and receiving information.

LISTENING – HOW WE RECEIVE INFORMATION FROM OTHERS

Certainly, we listen with our ears. But did you know that we listen MORE with our *eyes*? In fact, 93% of how we interpret messages is based on non-verbal behavior and what we see.



We need to be aware that what we SAY and how we BEHAVE might not always be consistent.

To be clearly understood and *influence* others, we should always strive to match our verbal and *non*verbal behavior.

Research by Psychologist and Professor Albert Hehrajbian From "In Your Hands: NLP in ELT" by Jane Revell & Susan Norman

PERSONAL FOCUS QUESTIONS - IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU

1. What are YOUR behavioral strengths?

2. What is YOUR natural communication style?

3. How do you prefer to receive information from others?

- 4. What motivates YOU?
- 5. What are your communication hot buttons when interacting with others?

OVERVIEW OF BEHAVIORAL STYLES

"When new turns of behavior

cease to appear in the life of the individual,

its behavior ceases to be intelligent."

Thomas Carlyle



OVERVIEW OF PREDICTIVE INDEX® (PI®)

Since 1955, the Predictive Index[®] has been helping both non-profit and for-profit companies and institutions. The PI[®] provides objective insight into an individual's natural behavior, communication style, adaptive behavior, morale, delegation style, and motivators. This, in turn, helps leaders to better understand, and more effectively motivate the people they work with and for and whom they serve.

Available in more than 60 languages, the PI is used by large and small organizations across all industries, including non-profits.

There is no "right" or "wrong" in the Predictive Index.

This program can be applied to:

- ✓ Improving Communication and Influencing others
- ✓ Motivating to higher levels of productivity
- Employee engagement and accountability
- ✓ Maximizing individual and team performance
- Developing and mentoring others
- Understanding why people do what they do and learn how, at times, to adapt that style to gain the confidence and trust of others.

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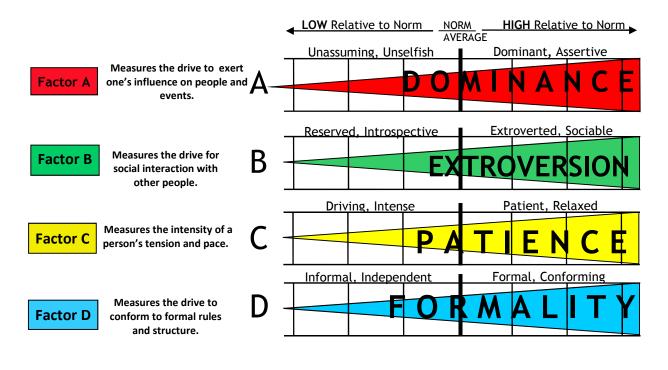
WHAT PI® MEASURES/DOESN'T MEASURE



WHAT PI[®] MEASURES

People are **motivated** by fundamental **needs** or **drives** which lead to certain **behaviors**.

In PI®, we call these motivating needs "Factors."



PI also measures:

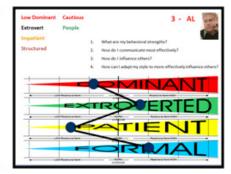
- Response to change what adaptations are you making in your current role and/or environment?
- Delegation style
- Judgmental thinking Are you subjective or objective?
- Morale
- Communication style
- Energy level

NOTES

FOUR-FACTORS EXERCISE WHICH CHARACTER AM I?













YOUR BEHAVIORAL STYLE

1. To which character from the Four Factor Exercise are you most similar?

2. Which character is **most different** from your style? Why?

3. How would you typically try to *influence* this person whose style is different from yours?

4. Based on what you have learned today, how could you *adapt* your *influencing* style to achieve desired results?

PERSONAL ACTION PLAN CONSIDERATIONS

Now it is time to put the insights you gained in today's session to work.

1. What are the most significant things you learned from this session?

2. How can you use the information you learned today to help yourself, your team, and your organization be more successful?

Now look three months into the future.

- 3. What general improvements do you see in your overall leadership and communication style?
- 4. What do you do differently when influencing:

Your Board of Directors

Your Team

5. What are the results of the changes you've made? How is your job different?

POWER TO INFLUENCE - STRATEGIES AND TIPS

Here are some ways that you can adapt your style to be more effective when dealing with people who are different from you.

	Looks to you to control the conversation
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Their Style and	 May appear quiet and reserved. Forwards an appear quiet and reserved.
Typical Behaviors	 Focuses on cooperative needs, may say: "We need my boss wants
	our goal is"
LOW DOMINANT	 Asks "What if" questions, may try to avoid risk.
	 Needs time to think about a decision.
	 May involve others in the decision making process.
	 Encouragement and support when moving into new areas.
Their Motivating	 Team atmosphere, harmony, opportunity to build consensus.
Needs	 Freedom from too much uncertainty.
	 Understanding what is expected of them.
How You Can	 Assure your support, cooperation and guidance.
Adapt/Influence	 Keep reaffirming the benefits to them.
	 Don't pressure – reassure because this person tends to worry.
	Takes control of the conversation.
Their Style and	 Focuses on their own needs, may say: "I need to, I want to, I'm
Typical Behaviors	looking to"
	 Challenges the status quo, speaks freely about how they challenge the
HIGH DOMINANT	organization.
	 Quick to express opinions, will even challenge the "expert".
	 Will generally tell you where you stand.
	 Independence and freedom.
Their Motivating	 Control of the agenda.
Needs	 Ability to prove their strengths and that they are a winner.
Necus	 Expression of own ideas and initiative.
	 Making decisions and taking action.
	 Talk hard facts and be sure you can back them up.
	 Be direct, frank and to the point – small talk doesn't interest these people unless they
How You Can	are Extroverted.
Adapt/Influence	 Emphasize results and gains – they are more likely to buy an idea of they believe it's
	their idea.
	 Tone down the detail unless this person is a high "D".
Their Style and	 Talks directly – little small talk, gets down to business.
Typical Behaviors	 Focused on tasks, technical aspects.
	 Asks "what, how and why" questions.
INTROVERT	 Can be skeptical of new ideas and new people initially.
	Will take time to process and think before responding to questions.
	 Time to think and process information.
Their Motivating	 Recognition and respect for professional and intellectual competence.
Needs	 Problems to solve and chance to put creative/analytical mind to work.
	Written and one-on-one communication.
	 Discuss facts and make sure they are correct and complete.
How Ver Car	 Don't bluff, they will see right through it.
How You Can	 Use reasoning but don't argue.
Adapt/Influence	 Don't try to get friendly or personal too soon, let that initiative be theirs.
	 Rely on facts and logic for reasoning, not personal pressure.

POWER TO INFLUENCE - STRATEGIES AND TIPS

Here are some ways that you can adapt your style to be more effective when dealing with people who are different from you.

Their Style and Typical Behaviors EXTROVERT	 Interested, makes a connection with you. Tells you about themselves. Often concerned about appearances and "looking good". Office will often have many personal items that convey something about them.
Their Motivating Needs	 Involvement and communication with people. Social acceptance, being liked and admired. Opportunity to "talk through" ideas with others, having a "sounding board". Positive, constructive feedback. Being kept informed.
How You Can Adapt/Influence	 Allow time for, and have patience with, small talk and personal talk. Talk ideas through with them. Give them the opportunity to ask questions and give their input. Keep them informed and "in the loop". Build rapport, build the relationship. Be forthcoming with information and anecdotes about yourself.
Their Style and Typical Behaviors LOW PATIENCE	 Tense body language - fidgety, taps fingers, jiggles foot, talks fast. Changes the subject and focus frequently. Rushes or interrupts you. Loses focus if you move too slowly. May ask questions such as: "when how fast" Tries to do more than one thing at a time.
Their Motivating Needs	 Tries to do more than one thing at a time. Variety, change of pace. Freedom from repetition. Opportunity to change priorities and deadlines.
How You Can Adapt	 Make your points succinctly, don't ramble or get bogged down in too much detail. Expect questions from a variety of angles. Be flexible in your approach. Think "do it NOW".
Their Style and Typical Behaviors HIGH PATIENCE	 Relaxed body language, slow to moderately paced talk. Focuses on one thing at a time. Asks questions such as: "What are the next steps in the process?" Even tempered, takes things in stride. Avoids interruptions.
Their Motivating Needs	 Security, stable work environment. Familiar people, familiar work. Supportive work team. Systems and processes.
How You Can Adapt/Influence	 Adjust your pace when speaking – don't rattle off at full speed. Take a breath between points and allow this person time to digest what you are saying. Allow time for them to think before responding to your questions, don't rush. Don't pressure. Keep the process moving, but avoid pushing time lines.

POWER TO INFLUENCE - STRATEGIES AND TIPS

Here are some ways that you can adapt your style to be more effective when dealing with people who are different from you.

Their Style and	 Open and informal in style, engaging communication.
Typical Behaviors	 Uninhibited in manner, no worries, not interested in details.
LOW FORMALITY	 Blunt, outspoken, and readily offers opinion (even if not asked). Not impressed by the "status quo" or the "old" way of doing things.
Their Motivating Needs	 Open, informal contact with people. Results and the bottom line. Freedom from personal involvement with details. Flexibility in determining approaches. Informality, independence.
How You Can Adapt/Influence	 Build rapport; speak openly about a project or idea. Begin with the "big picture" instead of the specific details. Get to the point quickly. Focus on the "bottom line".
Their Style and Typical Behaviors HIGH FORMALITY	 Gives direct, specific answers to questions, but not forthcoming with additional information. Often expresses worry, concern or doubt about the future, may say: "I'm concerned about" Drills down for more information (even if those details seem unnecessary or premature at this point). Wants documentation in writing.
Their Motivating Needs	 Facts and data – not "sizzle". Controlled, structured process. Predictable events – no surprises. Foresight and planning – where are we going and how will we get there? Detailed information which allows them to be more certain of the results. Opportunity to learn as much as they can in their areas of expertise.
How You Can Adapt/Influence	 Be organized. Lay out facts in a disciplined way. Provide research to support your opinion. Don't press too hard and fast to get close personally. Show respect for this person's particular technical knowledge and stated authority. Respect their expertise and do not go around them.



"Consider how hard it is to change yourself, and you'll understand what little chance you have of trying to change others." - Jacob Braude