### **MANAGING FOR SUCCESS**<sub>®</sub>

**Executive Version** 

"He who knows others is learned. He who knows himself is wise." –Lao Tse

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# **INTRODUCTION**

Behavioral research suggests that the most effective people are those who understand themselves, both their strengths and weaknesses, so they can develop strategies to meet the demands of their environment.

A person's behavior is a necessary and integral part of who they are. In other words, much of our behavior comes from "nature" (inherent), and much comes from "nurture" (our upbringing). It is the universal language of "how we act," or our observable human behavior.

In this report we are measuring four dimensions of normal behavior. They are:

- how you respond to problems and challenges.
- how you influence others to your point of view.
- how you respond to the pace of the environment.
- how you respond to rules and procedures set by others.

This report analyzes behavioral style; that is, a person's manner of doing things. Is the report 100% true? Yes, no and maybe. We are only measuring behavior. We only report statements from areas of behavior in which tendencies are shown. To improve accuracy, feel free to make notes or edit the report regarding any statement from the report that may or may not apply, but only after checking with friends or colleagues to see if they agree.

"All people exhibit all four behavioral factors in varying degrees of intensity." -W.M. Marston

### **GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Based on John's responses, the report has selected general statements to provide a broad understanding of his work style. These statements identify the basic natural behavior that he brings to the job. That is, if left on his own, these statements identify HOW HE WOULD CHOOSE TO DO THE JOB. Use the general characteristics to gain a better understanding of John's natural behavior.

John prefers an environment with variety and change. He is at his best when many projects are underway at once. Under pressure, John has a tendency to actively seek opportunities which test and develop his abilities to accomplish results. Most people see him as a high risk-taker. His view is, "nothing ventured, nothing gained." He enjoys authority, independence and the freedom that goes with his aggressive approach to problem solving. John has the ability to question people's basic assumptions about things. He prides himself on his creativity, incisiveness and cleverness. He is deadline conscious and becomes irritated if deadlines are delayed or missed. He may be so self-confident that others see him as arrogant. This confidence may be something others wish they had. He likes to be forceful and direct when dealing with others. His desire for results is readily apparent to the people he manages. John is aggressive and confident. He displays a high energy factor and is optimistic about the results he can achieve. The word "can't" is not in his vocabulary.

John should realize that at times he needs to think a project through, beginning to end, before starting the project. Sometimes he may be so opinionated about a particular problem that he has difficulty letting others participate in the process. He has the unique ability of tackling tough problems and following them through to a satisfactory conclusion. He finds it easy to share his opinions on solving work-related problems. John is decisive and prefers to work for a decisive manager. He can experience stress if his manager does not possess similar traits. He is a good problem solver and troubleshooter, always seeking new ways to solve old problems. Many people

### **GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS**

see his decisions as high-risk decisions. However, after the decision is made, he tends to work hard for a successful outcome. Sometimes he becomes emotionally involved in the decision-making process.

John likes people who present their case effectively. When they do, he can then make a quicker assessment or decision. He tends to be intolerant of people who seem ambiguous or think too slowly. He tends to influence people by being direct, friendly and results-oriented. He should exhibit more patience and ask questions to make sure that others have understood what he has said. John challenges people who volunteer their opinions. He may lack the patience to listen and communicate with slower acting people. He likes people who give him options as compared to their opinions. The options may help him make decisions, and he values his own opinion over that of others! He may lose interest in what others are saying if they ramble or don't speak to the point. His active mind is already moving ahead.

# VALUE TO THE ORGANIZATION

This section of the report identifies the specific talents and behavior John brings to the job. By looking at these statements, one can identify his role in the organization. The organization can then develop a system to capitalize on his particular value and make him an integral part of the team.

- Verbalizes his feelings.
- Optimistic and enthusiastic.
- People-oriented.
- Thinks big.
- Motivates others towards goals.
- Positive sense of humor.
- Negotiates conflicts.
- Self-starter.

# **CHECKLIST FOR COMMUNICATING**

Most people are aware of and sensitive to the ways with which they prefer to be communicated. Many people find this section to be extremely accurate and important for enhanced interpersonal communication. This page provides other people with a list of things to DO when communicating with John. Read each statement and identify the 3 or 4 statements which are most important to him. We recommend highlighting the most important "DO's" and provide a listing to those who communicate with John most frequently.

### Do:

- Deal with details in writing, have him commit to modes of action.
- Offer special, immediate and continuing incentives for his willingness to take risks.
- Read the body language for approval or disapproval.
- Leave time for relating, socializing.
- Ask for his opinions/ideas regarding people.
- Provide ideas for implementing action.
- Provide testimonials from people he sees as important.
- Stick to business--let him decide if he wants to talk socially.
- Come prepared with all requirements, objectives and support material in a well-organized "package."
- Provide facts and figures about probability of success, or effectiveness of options.
- Plan interaction that supports his dreams and intentions.
- Support and maintain an environment where he can be efficient.
- Talk about him, his goals and the opinions he finds stimulating.

# **DON'TS ON COMMUNICATING**

This section of the report is a list of things NOT to do while communicating with John. Review each statement with John and identify those methods of communication that result in frustration or reduced performance. By sharing this information, both parties can negotiate a communication system that is mutually agreeable.

### Don't:

- Talk down to him.
- Take credit for his ideas.
- Legislate or muffle--don't overcontrol the conversation.
- Leave decisions hanging in the air.
- Waste time trying to be impersonal, judgmental or too task-oriented.
- "Dream" with him or you'll lose time.
- Ramble on, or waste his time.
- Forget or lose things, be disorganized or messy, confuse or distract his mind from business.
- Let disagreement reflect on him personally.
- Be redundant.
- Direct or order.
- Drive on to facts, figures, alternatives or abstractions.
- Be dictatorial.

# **COMMUNICATION TIPS**

This section provides suggestions on methods which will improve John's communications with others. The tips include a brief description of typical people in which he may interact. By adapting to the communication style desired by other people, John will become more effective in his communications with them. He may have to practice some flexibility in varying his communication style with others who may be different from himself. This flexibility and the ability to interpret the needs of others is the mark of a superior communicator.

When communicating with a person who is ambitious, forceful, decisive, strong-willed, independent and goal-oriented:

- Be clear, specific, brief and to the point.
- Stick to business.
- Be prepared with support material in a well-organized "package."

Factors that will create tension or dissatisfaction:

- Talking about things that are not relevant to the issue.
- Leaving loopholes or cloudy issues.
- Appearing disorganized.

When communicating with a person who is magnetic, enthusiastic, friendly, demonstrative and political:

- Provide a warm and friendly environment.
- Don't deal with a lot of details (put them in writing).
- Ask "feeling" questions to draw their opinions or comments.

Factors that will create tension or dissatisfaction:

- Being curt, cold or tight-lipped.
- Controlling the conversation.
- Driving on facts and figures, alternatives, abstractions.

# **COMMUNICATION TIPS**

When communicating with a person who is patient, predictable, reliable, steady, relaxed and modest:

- Begin with a personal comment--break the ice.
- Present your case softly, nonthreateningly.
- Ask "how?" questions to draw their opinions.

Factors that will create tension or dissatisfaction:

- Rushing headlong into business.
- Being domineering or demanding.
- Forcing them to respond quickly to your objectives.

When communicating with a person who is dependent, neat, conservative, perfectionist, careful and compliant:

- Prepare your "case" in advance.
- Stick to business.
- Be accurate and realistic.

Factors that will create tension or dissatisfaction:

- Being giddy, casual, informal, loud.
- Pushing too hard or being unrealistic with deadlines.
- Being disorganized or messy.

## PERCEPTIONS

A person's behavior and feelings may be quickly telegraphed to others. This section provides additional information on John's self-perception and how, under certain conditions, others may perceive his behavior. Understanding this section will empower John to project the image that will allow him to control the situation.

"See Yourself As Others See You"

### SELF-PERCEPTION

John usually sees himself as being:

Pioneering Competitive Positive Assertive Confident Winner

### **OTHERS' PERCEPTION**

Under moderate pressure, tension, stress or fatigue, others may see him as being:

Demanding Egotistical Nervy Aggressive

And, under extreme pressure, stress or fatigue, others may see him as being:

Abrasive Arbitrary Controlling Opinionated

### DESCRIPTORS

Based on John's responses, the report has marked those words that describe his personal behavior. They describe how he solves problems and meets challenges, influences people, responds to the pace of the environment and how he responds to rules and procedures set by others.

Dominance	Influencing	Steadiness	Compliance
Demanding	Effusive	Phlegmatic	Evasive
Egocentric	Inspiring	Relaxed	Worrisome
	1 0	Resistant to Change	Careful
Driving	Magnetic	Nondemonstrative	Dependent
Ambitious	Political		Cautious
Pioneering	Enthusiastic	Passive	Conventional
Strong-Willed	Demonstrative		Exacting
Forceful	Persuasive	Patient	Neat
Determined	Warm		
Aggressive	Convincing	Possessive	Systematic
Competitive	Polished		Diplomatic
Decisive	Poised	Predictable	Accurate
Venturesome	Optimistic	Consistent	Tactful
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Inquisitive	Trusting	Steady	Open-Minded
Responsible	Sociable	Stable	Balanced Judgment
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Conservative	Reflective	Mobile	Firm
Calculating	Factual	Active	Independent
Cooperative	Calculating	Restless	Self-Willed
Hesitant	Skeptical	Alert	Stubborn
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Unsure	Logical	Demonstrative	Obstinate
Undemanding	Undemonstrative		
Cautious	Suspicious	Impatient	Opinionated
	Matter-of-Fact	Pressure-Oriented	Unsystematic
Mild	Incisive	Eager	Self-Righteous
Agreeable		Flexible	Uninhibited
Modest	Pessimistic	Impulsive	Arbitrary
Peaceful	Moody	Impetuous	Unbending
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Unobtrusive	Critical	Hypertense	Careless with Details

## NATURAL AND ADAPTED STYLE

John's natural style of dealing with problems, people, pace of events and procedures may not always fit what the environment needs. This section will provide valuable information related to stress and the pressure to adapt to the environment.

### PROBLEMS - CHALLENGES (Natural)

John tends to deal with problems and challenges in a demanding, driving and self-willed manner. He is individualistic in his approach and actively seeks goals. John will attack problems and likes a position with authority and work that will constantly challenge him to perform up to his ability.

#### PROBLEMS - CHALLENGES (Adapted)

John's response to the environment is to be strong-willed and ambitious in his problem-solving approach. He seeks to win against all obstacles.

### PEOPLE - CONTACTS (Natural)

John is enthusiastic about his ability to influence others. He prefers an environment in which he has the opportunity to deal with different types of individuals. John is trusting and also wants to be trusted.

#### PEOPLE - CONTACTS (Adapted)

John sees no need to change his approach to influencing others to his way of thinking. He sees his natural style to be what the environment is calling for.

## NATURAL AND ADAPTED STYLE

### PACE - CONSISTENCY (Natural)

John is variety-oriented and demonstrates a need to get from one activity to another as quickly as possible. He usually demonstrates a pronounced sense of urgency. He is eager to initiate change if for nothing else than for change's sake.

### PACE - CONSISTENCY (Adapted)

John sees his natural activity style to be just what the environment needs. What you see is what you get for activity level and consistency. Sometimes he would like the world to slow down.

### PROCEDURES - CONSTRAINTS (Natural)

John is independent by nature and feels comfortable in situations where the constraints are few and far between. He will follow rules as long as he feels that the rules are his. He has a tendency to rebel from rules set by others and wants input into any constraints.

PROCEDURES - CONSTRAINTS (Adapted)

John shows little discomfort when comparing his basic (natural) style to his response to the environment (adapted) style. The difference is not significant and John sees little or no need to change his response to the environment.

# **ADAPTED STYLE**

John sees his present work environment requiring him to exhibit the behavior listed on this page. If the following statements DO NOT sound job related, explore the reasons why he is adapting this behavior.

- Handling a variety of activities.
- Contacting people using a variety of modes.
- Working without close supervision.
- Flexibility.
- Positive, outgoing, friendly behavior.
- Maintaining an ever-changing, friendly, work environment.
- Making tactful decisions.
- Preferring people involvement over task focus.
- Possessing a strong sense of urgency toward results.
- Questioning the status quo, and seeking more effective ways of accomplishment.
- Moving quickly from one activity to another.
- Participative management.

# **AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT**

In this area is a listing of possible limitations without regard to a specific job. Review with John and cross out those limitations that do not apply. Highlight 1 to 3 limitations that are hindering his performance and develop an action plan to eliminate or reduce this hindrance.

John has a tendency to:

- Have difficulty finding balance between family and work.
- Set standards for himself and others so high that impossibility of the situation is common place.
- Be so concerned with big picture; he forgets to see the little pieces.
- Be crisis-oriented.
- Have trouble delegating--can't wait, so does it himself.
- Take on too much, too soon, too fast.
- Be inconsistent because of many stops, starts and ever-changing direction.
- Make "off the cuff" remarks that are often seen as personal prods.

## **ACTION PLAN**

Name: John Doe

The following are examples of areas in which John may want to improve. Circle 1 to 3 areas and develop action plan(s) to bring about the desired results. Look over the report for possible areas that need improvement.

Communicating (Listening) Delegating Decision Making Disciplining Evaluating Performance Education	Time Management Career Goals Personal Goals Motivating Others Developing People Family
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# **BEHAVIORAL FACTOR INDICATOR™**

**Management Version** 

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# **INTRODUCTION**

Classifying management behavior is not an easy undertaking, largely because there are so many variables on which classifications could be based. The classifications in this report are purely behavioral. Behavioral measurement can be classified as how a person will do a job. No consideration has been given to age, experience, training or values.

Your report will graphically display your behavioral skills in 12 specific factors. Each factor was carefully selected allowing anyone to be successful if they meet the behavioral demands of the job.

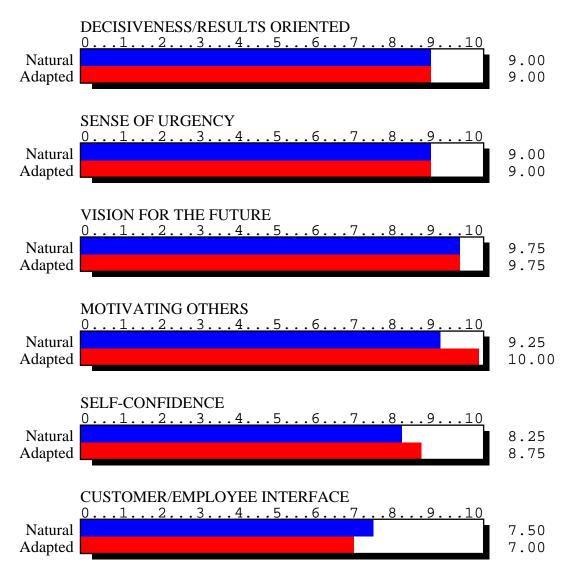
The Natural graph represents your natural behavior - the behavior you bring to the job. The Adapted graph measures your response to the environment - the behavior you think is necessary to succeed at a job. If your Adapted graph is significantly different from your Natural, you are under pressure to change or "mask" your behavior.

Read and compare your graphs. Look at each factor and the importance of that factor to the successful performance of your job. Your Adapted graph will identify the factors you see as important and shows you where you are focusing your energy.

Knowledge of your behavior will allow you to develop strategies to win in any environment you choose.

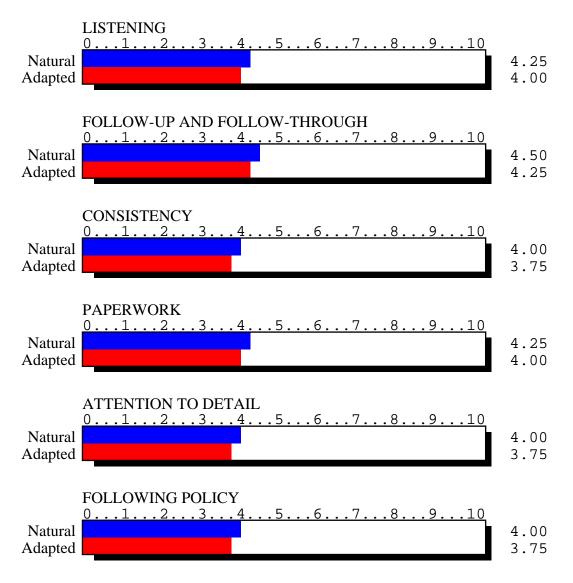
## **SPECIFIC FACTOR ANALYSIS**

John Doe

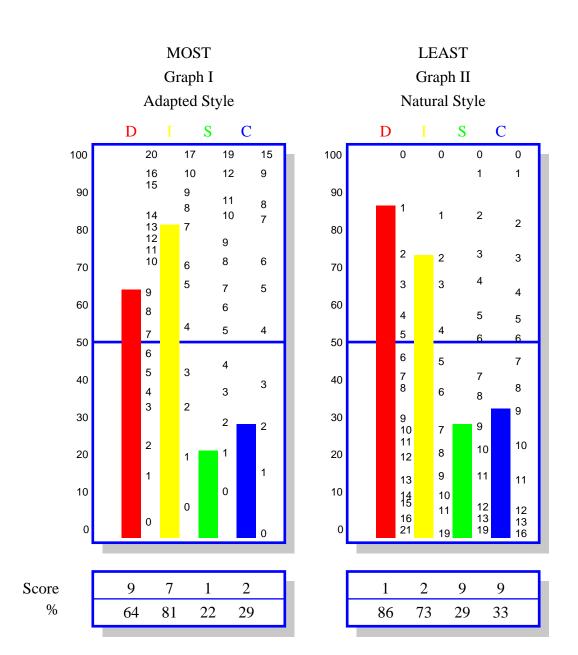


### **SPECIFIC FACTOR ANALYSIS**

John Doe



## **STYLE ANALYSIS™ GRAPHS**



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# THE SUCCESS INSIGHTS<sub>®</sub> WHEEL

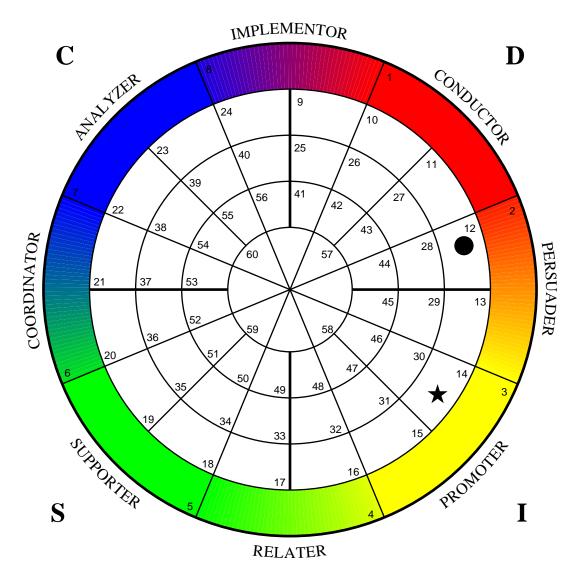
The Success Insights® Wheel is a powerful tool popularized in Europe. In addition to the text you have received about your behavioral style, the Wheel adds a visual representation that allows you to:

- View your natural behavioral style (circle).
- View your adapted behavioral style (star).
- Note the degree you are adapting your behavior.
- If you filled out the Work Environment Analysis, view the relationship of your behavior to your job.

Notice on the next page that your Natural style (circle) and your Adapted style (star) are plotted on the Wheel. If they are plotted in different boxes, then you are adapting your behavior. The further the two plotting points are from each other, the more you are adapting your behavior.

If you are part of a group or team who also took the behavioral assessment, it would be advantageous to get together, using each person's Wheel, and make a master Wheel that contains each person's Natural and Adapted style. This allows you to quickly see where conflict can occur. You will also be able to identify where communication, understanding and appreciation can be increased.

### THE SUCCESS INSIGHTS<sub>®</sub> WHEEL



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