

## Colors Personality Quiz

**Describe Yourself:** In the boxes below are groups of word clusters printed horizontally in rows. Look at all the choices in the first box (A, B, C, D). Read the words and **decide which of the four letter choices is most like you**. Give that a "4". Then rank order the next three letter choices from 3-1 in descending preference. You will end up with a box of four letter choices, ranked from "4" (most like you) to "1" (least like you). Continue this process with the remaining four boxes until each have a 4, 3, 2, and 1.

### Box One

A \_\_\_\_\_

active  
opportunistic  
spontaneous

B \_\_\_\_\_

parental  
traditional  
responsible

C \_\_\_\_\_

authentic  
harmonious  
compassionate

D \_\_\_\_\_

versatile  
inventive  
competent

### Box Two

E \_\_\_\_\_

curious  
conceptual  
knowledgeable

F \_\_\_\_\_

unique  
empathetic  
communicative

G \_\_\_\_\_

practical  
sensible  
dependable

H \_\_\_\_\_

competitive  
impetuous  
impactful

### Box Three

I \_\_\_\_\_

loyal  
conservative  
organized

J \_\_\_\_\_

devoted  
warm  
poetic

K \_\_\_\_\_

realistic  
open-minded  
adventuresome

L \_\_\_\_\_

theoretical  
seeking  
ingenious

### Box Four

M \_\_\_\_\_

concerned  
procedural  
cooperative

N \_\_\_\_\_

daring  
impulsive  
fun

O \_\_\_\_\_

tender  
inspirational  
dramatic

P \_\_\_\_\_

determined  
complex  
composed

### Box Five

Q \_\_\_\_\_

philosophical  
principled  
rational

R \_\_\_\_\_

vivacious  
affectionate  
sympathetic

S \_\_\_\_\_

exciting  
courageous  
skillful

T \_\_\_\_\_

orderly  
conventional  
caring

A, H, K, N, S orange = \_\_\_\_\_

B, G, I, M, T gold = \_\_\_\_\_

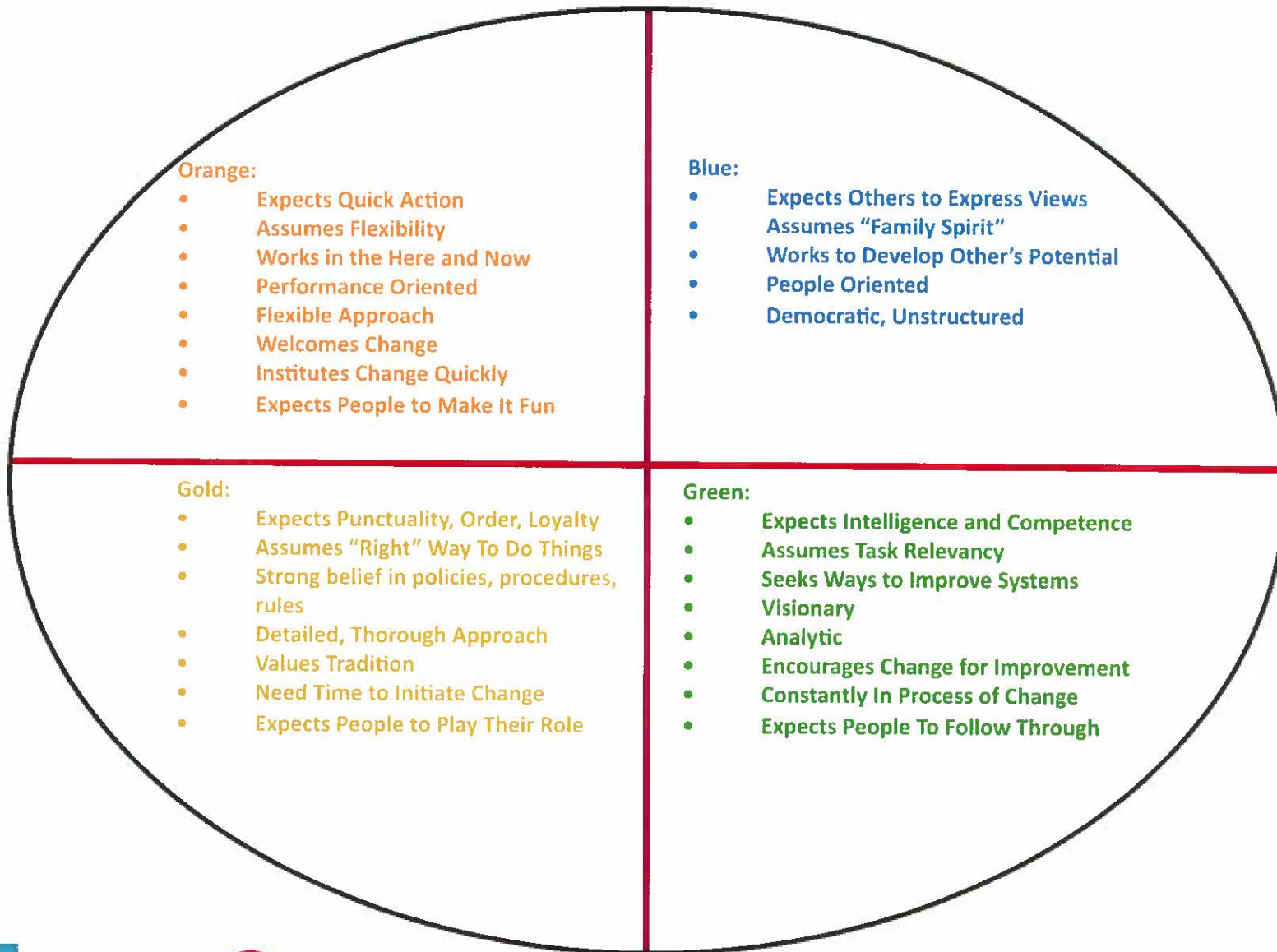
C, F, J, O, R blue = \_\_\_\_\_

D, E, L, P, Q green = \_\_\_\_\_

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# True Colors Leadership Styles Wheel



# TIPS ON HOW TO COMMUNICATE WHEN WORKING TOGETHER

## (True Colors)

| Blue  | ORANGE  | GOLD  | GREEN   |
|---|---|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clearly outline your expectations for performance in a friendly, but frank way. Recognize their contribution often.</li> <li>Identify rewards for achievement individually and in teams. This builds cooperation and excitement.</li> <li>Couch comments in feelings terms. "I value your uniqueness and your contribution. You are important to me as a person, and I care about how you feel."</li> <li>Provide personal contact through pats on the back or a light touch of approval.</li> <li>Recognize their creativity and the depth of feeling they put into their work.</li> </ul> <p><b>Praise Their:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unique contributions</li> <li>Personal achievements</li> <li>Personal characteristics that are valued and meaningful</li> <li>Honesty and sincerity</li> <li>Energetic and enthusiastic manner</li> <li>Contributions to the performance of the group and the organization</li> </ul> <p><b>They Dislike:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Insincerity</li> <li>Hypocrisy</li> <li>Deception</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outcome based short-term goals will be most effective.</li> <li>Focus on behavior and performance more than the finished products.</li> <li>Reward by freeing them to act on their own initiative.</li> <li>Tangible rewards and competitive situations create stronger incentives.</li> <li>Set high expectations, which challenge their skills causing them to know they have really earned the recognition received.</li> <li>Clearly identify the impact their performance has on the organization.</li> </ul> <p><b>Praise Their:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cleverness</li> <li>Skill</li> <li>Quickness</li> <li>Spontaneity</li> <li>Versatility</li> <li>Quick and timely responses</li> <li>Creativity</li> <li>Motivational skills</li> </ul> <p><b>They Dislike:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rigidness</li> <li>Authority</li> <li>Rules</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clearly established expectations, short and long- term goals, and plans for achieving them.</li> <li>Give specific measures of their performance and achievement.</li> <li>Tangible rewards have the greatest appeal.</li> <li>Provide clear, specific feedback regarding the work accomplished and its contribution to the organization.</li> <li>Traditions, rituals and ceremonies are meaningful. When pre-planned, they provide incentives for performance.</li> <li>Hierarchical structure and clearly defined roles aid Gold performance.</li> </ul> <p><b>Praise Their:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accomplishments</li> <li>Thoroughness and sense of responsibility</li> <li>Provide a "pat on the back" regularly and consistently</li> <li>Contributions to the growth and development of the organization and its performance traditions</li> </ul> <p><b>They Dislike:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Non-conformity</li> <li>Ambiguity</li> <li>Waste</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clear expectations and project outcomes with the latitude to figure out how to accomplish them works well.</li> <li>Provide sincere recognition only when warranted. This color group does not appreciate "hoopla".</li> <li>Assign tasks requiring designing new models or think up new approaches.</li> <li>Compliments relating to his/her intelligence are the greatest source of esteem.</li> <li>Reinforce through the contributions their knowledge provides for completing projects.</li> </ul> <p><b>Praise Their:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Competence</li> <li>Quality of work</li> <li>Language capabilities</li> <li>Independent initiative</li> <li>Ingenuity</li> <li>Analysis abilities</li> <li>Clear, logical explanations in precise terms</li> <li>Good ideas and capabilities</li> </ul> <p><b>They Dislike:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Incompetence</li> <li>Unfairness</li> <li>Injustice</li> </ul> |