

Making an Impact

Handout 12 Ream Roles Questionnaire

DIRECTIONS

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I. WHAT I BELIEVE I CAN CONTRIBUTE TO A TEAM

- a. I can quickly see connections and take advantage of new opportunities.
- b. I can work well with a very wide range of people.
- c. I can produce ideas easily.
- d. I encourage others when I see they have something to contribute to the group
- e. I always finish what I start.
- f. I am prepared to be unpopular if it leads to results in the end.
- g. I am quick to see what is likely to work in a familiar situation.
- h. I can offer a careful assessment for different courses of action.
- i. I am enthusiastic about applying my training and expertise.

II. IF I HAVE A WEAKNESS IN TEAM WORK, IT COULD BE THAT

- a. I am not happy unless meetings are well structured and controlled.
- b. I am too generous towards others who have a point that has not been discussed.
- c. I tend to talk a lot once the group gets on to new ideas.
- d. I think so carefully, often it is difficult for me to join in the team situations.
- e. I am sometimes forceful and dominant if there is a need to get something done.
- f. I find it difficult to lead from the front, because I am too sensitive to others.
- g. I get too caught up with ideas and so I lose track of what is happening.
- h. I can become frustrated if my knowledge of a particular subject is not recognised.
- i. I worry unnecessarily over detail and the possibility that things may go wrong.

III. WHEN I AM INVOLVED IN A PROJECT WITH OTHER PEOPLE

- a. I look for chances to gain personal fulfilment from the work.
- b. I am good at influencing people without pressuring them.
- c. I pay attention to detail which prevents careless mistakes being made.
- d. I press for action so that we do not waste time or lose sight of main objectives.
- e. I usually contribute something original.
- f. I am always ready to support a good suggestion for the group.
- g. I am keen to look for the latest in new ideas and developments.
- h. I believe my cool judgement is appreciated by others.
- i. I can be relied upon to see that all important work is organised.

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IV. MY USUAL APPROACH TO GROUP WORK IS THAT

- a. I am interested in getting to know colleagues better.
- b. I am happy to challenge the views of others of to hold a minority view myself.
- c. I can usually find an argument to defeat weak suggestions.
- d. I am good at making things work once a plan is ready to be put into operation.
- e. I tend to avoid the obvious and come out with the unexpected.
- f. I bring a touch of perfection to any team job I undertake.
- g. I am ready to make use of contacts outside the group itself.
- h. I consider all views but I make up my mind once a decision must be made.
- i. I can use what I have learned to help the team.

V. I GET SATISFACTION IN A JOB BECAUSE

- a. I enjoy analysing situations and considering all the choices.
- b. I am interested in finding practical solutions to problems.
- c. I like to feel I am encouraging good working relationships.
- d. I have a strong influence on decisions.
- e. I like to meet people who have something new to offer.
- f. I strive to achieve the highest possible standards when producing work.
- g. I can get people to agree on necessary course of action.
- h. I feel at my best when I can give a task my full attention.
- i. I like to find things that stretch my imagination.

VI. IF I AM SUDDENLY GIVEN A DIFFICULT TASK WITH LIMITED TIME AND UNFAMILIAR PEOPLE

- a. I prefer to work alone to find a solution before explaining to others.
- b. I am be ready to work with any positive person even if they are difficult.
- c. I would find some way of simplifying the task and getting others to contribute.
- d. I am aware of urgency & would make sure we did not fall behind schedule.
- e. I believe I would keep calm and think clearly.
- f. I would keep to the purpose in spite of the pressures.
- g. I am good at finding my own areas of work, independent of other team members.
- h. I would take a positive lead if I felt the group were making no progress.
- i. I would open discussion to stimulate new thoughts and new connections.

VII. I SOMETIMES HAVE PROBLEMS WORKING IN GROUPS BECAUSE

- a. I tend to be impatient with those who are stopping progress.
- b. I may be criticised for being too analytical.
- c. I find it frustrating when others are dismissive of my expertise.
- d. I wish to ensure that work is properly done but that can slow things down.
- e. I tend to get bored easily and need stimulating people to interest me.
- f. I find it difficult to get started unless the goals are clear.
- g. I am sometimes poor at explaining and clarifying points that occur to me.
- h. I am aware of demanding from others things I cannot do myself.
- i. I hesitate to get my points across when I run up against strong opposition.

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VIII. WHEN I AM INVOLVED IN A PROJECT WITH OTHER PEOPLE

- a. I place importance on attaining the highest levels of accuracy in my work.
- b. I am at my best when working to a tight deadline
- c. I ensure that the team understands and agrees upon priorities.
- d. I analyse the situation to ensure the team has considered all possible implications.
- e. I smooth over problems using discretion and understanding.
- f. I do what is required rather than the work I would prefer to do.
- g. I can provide information relating to my experience and expertise.
- h. I can think laterally and move beyond obvious conclusions.
- i. I can see the potential in new ideas and how to make the most of them.

BELBIN TEAM ROLES – SCORE SHEET

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Take the points from the Team Roles Questionnaire and enter them by question in the table below. Be sure to write the score according to the letter indicated.

QUESTION NO:	IP	СО	SH	PL	RI	ME	TW	CF	SP
I	g	d	f	С	a	h	b	е	i
II	a	b	е	g	С	d	f	i	h
III	i	b	d	е	g	h	f	С	a
IV	d	h	b	е	g	С	a	f	i
V	b	g	d	i	е	a	С	h	f
VI	f	С	h	a	i	е	b	d	9
VII	f	h	a	g	е	b	h	d	С
VIII	f	С	b	h	i	d	е	a	9
TOTALS:									

CHECK: Points for each question (eg VII) should add up to 10

Scoring

Add up the points in each column to give your final Team Role profile of preferred behaviours.

Interpretation

•	0 to 5	You very seldom use this behaviour
•	6 to 10	You sometimes use this behaviour
•	11 to 15	You often use this behaviour
•	16 to 20	You favour this behaviour
•	21 +	You almost always use this behaviour

Remember Team Roles are about BEHAVIOUR <u>not</u> personality. You can be flexible and CHANGE <u>your</u> behaviour. Try to do what the Team NEEDS, to be effective, not just what you are <u>comfort</u>