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Introduction to your TEAMS Style Report

Your TEAMS Style is a measure of your thinking and task preferences. The TEAMS Profile looks at the way people think and function best in a group or team environment. The TEAMS Profile breaks down the core functions of a group into five key roles preformed by the group to carry out tasks and accomplish goals. The titles of the roles are:

- T = Theorist
- E = Executor
- A = Analyzer
- M = Manager
- S = Strategist

The TEAMS Profile does not measure ability, but rather preferences for the roles and key activities performed. When people are placed in their area of preference, productivity and job satisfaction increases and stress is reduced. The slogan "Together Everyone Achieves More" is not only catchy, it is the premise for team development. A strong team is formed of complementary roles, not conflicting roles. Utilizing all five roles has proven to work best to get the job done.

TEAMS Style Overview

Theorist

- Creator
- Visionary
- Idea Provider

Executor

- Procedural
- Implementer
- Standards Setter

Analyzer

- Practical
- Organizer
- · Refiner of Methods

Manager

- Balancer
- Diplomat
- Facilitator

Strategist

- Goal Setter
- Plan Builder
- Problem Solver

Characteristics of each TEAMS Style

Theorist

- Creative problem solvers
- Their ability to think outside the box to create goals, processes, and timelines
- The team member that generates ideas, models, and hypothesis

Executor

- Doing things according to plan and doing them well
- Valued for being action-oriented, organized, and dependable
- The team member that implements the ideas, programs, and solutions developed by the team

Analyzer

- Accuracy, quality control, analytical
- They set high standards and weigh the risk vs. potential reward
- The team member that is always thinking of quality and refinement of the process or program

Manager

- Diplomatic, balanced approach to problem solving
- The ability to see a project from all the different team members' viewpoints
- The team member that facilitates and balances the needs of individuals

Strategist

- Simplify concepts, market ideas, provide solutions
- Finding ways to push ideas and overcome obstacles
- The team member that identifies and simplifies ideas to form a strategy and market concepts

Potential Limitations of each TEAMS Style

Theorist

 The higher the Theorist Style, the greater the chance for generating new ideas rather than focusing on completion of tasks.

Executor

• The higher the Executor Style, the greater the need for clearly defined processes and goals in order to be effective.

Analyzer

• The higher the Analyzer Style, the greater the chance of becoming bogged down in the details of the project and losing sight of the goal.

Manager

• The higher the Manager Style, the greater the chance for not balancing needs equally and losing sight of priorities needed to meet goals.

Strategist

The higher the Strategist Style, the greater the chance of putting too high of expectancy on others
or overinflating benefits/solutions.



Working within a team

Joe's team role preferences

High Style: Theorist

The Theorist is the member of the team who generates ideas, models and hypotheses. They have the capability to exhibit a high task-orientation while remaining very sensitive to problems. Theorists have an innate ability to see problems and situations from different vantage points and thereby develop ideas and solutions that others may overlook. They are creative, determined and analytical in their approach to effective problem-solving, and are highly unwilling to accept a "quick fix." Theorists initiate changes and improvements. They tend to be determined individuals and are often very sociable. These are the people who excel at "thinking outside the box." When they also possess high levels of interpersonal communication skills, they can be very effective at recruiting people to help implement their ideas. Theorists are a source of fresh insights, innovative concepts, inventive and unique approaches, and ground-breaking proposals. Once the ideas have been generated, Theorists will interact well with Strategists and Analyzers to determine the best methods for implementing their ideas.

Theorists are valued for their ability to move the team in new directions, exploring and defining solutions. They are not afraid of the untried or the unique, and tend to move rapidly through a series of several different approaches to move any project or concept forward.

Theorists are creative problem-solvers. Their primary team strength is their excellent ability to see problems from a new angle. Theorists see solutions that others do not. Their conceptual developments often go beyond the obvious to the unique. They possess an uncanny ability to provide an accurate assessment of the present situation and the necessary steps to follow. They interact very well with Strategists. Theorists are not afraid of new ideas and will often take a thorough and methodical approach to problem-solving that examines several possible solutions. Many Theorists have strong, well-developed communication skills. They are able to negotiate conflicts by taking positive action and presenting several options that consider all possible avenues.

The Theorist loves new ideas, and may have a tendency to focus on generating new ideas rather than focusing on completion. They need deadlines and will benefit from high levels of interaction with other team members who have the ability to help them focus on follow-through. When appropriate, their creative energy needs to be directed towards the implementation of their ideas rather than the creation of new ones.





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Second Highest Style: Strategist

The Strategist is the member of the team who identifies new concepts and ideas in their early stages, and develops the strategy behind their implementation. Strategists have an intrinsic grasp of how to market concepts, how to appeal to a broad range of individuals, and how to strategically place a concept in its best light to achieve the greatest possible end result. They tend to be very task-oriented, but enjoy people as well. Strategists are often very good at recruiting; they tend to be friendly and outgoing, but also like to see tasks done properly. They influence others with excellent people skills and with the ability to reason and be logical. Strategists are not afraid to stand up and take charge if necessary. They are not bystanders, but are constantly involved in some aspect of the project. Strategists combine their previous experience with their knowledge of people to develop creative ways of getting the most benefit from a project or idea. The ability to simplify an idea or process is a key strength of a Strategist. They will interact exceptionally well with Theorists, Managers and Analyzers as they create their plans.

The Strategist is a highly-creative problem solver with an inherent ability to compare and contrast a large number of ideas to determine their long-term implications. Frequently powerful communicators, they tend to be excellent encouragers and strong leaders. Strategists motivate others to achieve, drawing out the best in other team members. Their ability to explain things clearly and concisely makes them convincing spokespersons. They are powerful negotiators, and are able to make very accurate assessments of situations.

Strategists are perceived by most members of the team as great leaders, well-spoken and decisive. They naturally command the respect and attention of others. People follow them because of their charisma and enthusiasm. While Strategists may sometimes seem a bit aggressive, their fairness and people skills keep communication flowing.

The Strategist may seem domineering and cool, sometimes losing sight of the people and focusing on the task. Strategists really want others involved in their projects, but may forget about what others want. They need to listen more and think about what others around them may need. Strategists sometimes appear inconsistent or flighty due to their tendency to move rapidly from one concept to another, but it is precisely this rapid movement that allows them to consider the strategic implications of a given scenario.





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