



Report For: Free Disc Profile

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This report contains a summary of your DISC results. If you are looking for deeper insights into your results, see the last page of this report.

UNDERSTANDING DISC

DISC STYLES

DISC is a simple, practical, easy to remember and universally applicable model. It focuses on individual patterns of external, observable behaviors and measures the intensity of characteristics using scales of directness and openness for each of the four styles: **Dominance**, **Influence**, **Steadiness**, **and Conscientious**.

Your DISC Style: Formalist - SC

Formalists rely upon procedure and structure in all aspects of life. They are detailed oriented and seek perfection. They need to know the expectations and the timetable for their work. They can get bogged down in detail and will not rush important decisions. They will take a risk if they have the facts to support it. They may be initially suspicious of personal compliments, praise or flattery.

- **Emotionally**: Internally focuses energy on holding themselves to exacting standards and doing things right; may appear reserved and restrained.
- Your goal: To achieve stable and reliable accomplishments.
- How you value others: The consistent ability to be precise and accurate.
- How you influence a group: Through detailed and accurate input to team efforts.
- The value you bring to an organization: Will embrace and support high quality and expected standards.
- Cautions: Rely too much on past procedures; can become rule bound.
- When under pressure: May revert to too much diplomacy and overly careful maneuvering.
- What you fear: Aggressive, risky and confronting interactions; superficial personal relationships.



An Overview of Your DISC Style

Below are some key behavioral insights to keep in mind and share with others to strengthen your relationships.

Free, your motto could be, "There is a right way and a wrong way to complete all projects. Let's complete it the right way." You score like those who read instructions on new appliances and computers. Whether at home or at the office, you like to do things correctly. When writing, rarely do you have the need for spell-checking or proofreading for grammar.

Your response pattern indicates that you tend to hide your emotions. You are generally quiet in a group unless asked for input, or if the topic is one of high importance to you. Our advice is to move out of that comfort zone and be a bit more verbal. It will benefit the team, because many will not have considered the issues as deeply as you have. Your input will raise the quality of the conversation. And you will benefit by being perceived as a more open and interactive person.

You tend to make decisions slowly and carefully, only after consideration of all variables and input from others. Of the many patterns of behavioral styles, your scores put you among a minority of the population (a positive minority) who show the trait of careful and deliberate decision making when it comes to important decisions. We specify "important," because you may make routine decisions rather rapidly.

You like your space to be neat and well-organized. When the workspace is clean and clutter-free, you are more able to focus clearly on the project at hand.

You tend to evaluate others by how well they implement and execute procedures, standards, and quality action. You hold others accountable to the same high standards that you maintain for yourself. Those who demonstrate these high standards (as you know, they are somewhat rare) are individuals that you will tend to hold in esteem.



A General Overview of the Four DISC Styles

The Dominant 'D' Style: look at my accomplishments!

Goals and Fears

Dominant 'D' Styles, driven by the inner need to lead and be in personal control, take charge of people and situations so they can reach their goals. Since their key need is achieving, they seek no-nonsense, bottom line results. Their motto is: "Lead, follow, or get out of the way." They want to win, so they may challenge people or rules. Similarly, Dominant 'D' Styles also accept challenges, take authority, and go head first into solving problems. Closely related to Dominant 'D' Styles' goals are their fears: falling into a routine, being taken advantage of, and looking "soft". So, they may go to extremes to prevent those fears from materializing. They may act impatient, but they make things happen.

"Do as I say"

Since Dominant 'D' Styles need to have control, they like to take the lead in both business and social settings. As natural renegades, they want to satisfy their need for autonomy. They want things done their way or no way at all.

Strengths and weaknesses

They work quickly and impressively by themselves. They try to shape their environments to overcome obstacles en route to their accomplishments. They seek maximum freedom to manage themselves and others, using their leadership skills to become winners. They often have good administration and delegation skills.

These assertive types tend to appear cool, independent, and competitive. They opt for measurable results, including their own personal worth, as determined by individual track records. Of all the types, they like and initiate changes the most. We symbolize this personality type with a lion--a leader, an authority. At least, they may, at least, have the inner desires to be #1, the star, or the chief.

Less positive Dominant 'D' Style components include stubbornness, impatience, and toughness. Naturally preferring to take control of others, they may have a low tolerance for the feelings, attitudes, and "inadequacies" of co-workers, subordinates, friends, families, and romantic interests.

From general to specific

Dominant 'D' Styles process data conceptually by using deductive reasoning--from general to specific information. They are more comfortable using the left brain more than the right. When combined with their need for control, this helps us better understand the emphasis on getting down to the bottom-line results.

Masters of "mind control"

They are adept at blocking out distractions when they immerse themselves in projects. They don't hear voices, sirens, or doorbells. They seem to channel all their energies into specific jobs.

Venting relieves their tension

Under pressure, Dominant 'D' Styles are likely to rid themselves of anger by ranting, raving, or challenging others. They naturally react to tense situations with a fight response. Although this venting allows the relief of their own inner tensions, other styles may feel intimidated by this stress reducing practice. But the Dominant 'D' Styles' barks usually exceed their bites, and they may soon forget what specifically upset them in the first place.



The Interacting 'I' Style: hey, look at me!

Outgoing, Supporting, Interacting 'I' Styles

Interacting 'I' Styles like to go where the action is. Typically, they are outwardly energetic or fast-paced, and relationships tend to naturally take priority over tasks. They try to influence others in an optimistic, friendly way focused on positive outcomes, whether in the social or work environment. In other words, if they show others that they like them, they figure others will be more likely to reciprocate by responding favorably towards them. Since recognition and approval motivate him, he often moves in and around the limelight and hub of activity.

Goals and Fears

He wants your admiration and thrives on acknowledgment, compliments, and applause. "It's not just whether you win or lose. . .it's how you look when you play the game." People's admiration and acceptance typically mean more to this type than to any other. If you don't talk about him, he may spend considerable time talking about his favorite subject--himself--to gain the acceptance he wants. His biggest fear is public humiliation--whether appearing uninvolved, unattractive, unsuccessful, or unacceptable to others. These frightening forms of social rejection threaten the Interacting 'I' Style's core need for approval. Consequently, he may go to extremes to avoid public humiliation, lack of inclusion, or loss of social recognition.

Strengths and weaknesses

Interacting 'I' Styles' primary strengths are their enthusiasm, persuasiveness, and friendliness. They are idea people who have the ability to get others caught up in their dreams. With great persuasion, they influence others and shape their environments by building alliances to accomplish results. Then they seek nods and comments of approval and recognition for those results. If compliments don't come, Interacting 'I' Styles may invent their own. "Well, Harry, I just feel like patting myself on the back today for a job well done!" They are stimulating, talkative, and communicative. This type can be represented by a porpoise--playful, sociable, and talkative.

Their natural weaknesses are too much involvement, impatience, being alone, and short attention spans. This causes them to become easily bored. When a little data comes in, Interacting 'I' Styles tend to make sweeping generalizations. They may not check everything out, assuming someone else will do it or procrastinating because redoing something just isn't exciting enough. When Interacting 'I' Styles feel they don't have enough stimulation and involvement, they get bored and look for something new again. . . and overly emotional.

"Let me entertain you!"

If they pursue the entertainment field for careers, Interacting 'I' Styles typically allow their natural, animated emotions to show and flow. They become stimulated by the movement and reactions of the audience, trying to get the audience to figuratively fall in love with them by acting charming and friendly. They want viewers to feel, "He (or she) is fabulous!"



The Steady 'S' Style: notice how well-liked I am

Goals and fears

Steady 'S' Styles seek your sincere personal attention and acceptance of them. Steadiness and follow-through actions characterize these people. They prefer a slower and easier pace. They focus on building trust and getting acquainted because they aim for long-standing personal relationships. Pushy, aggressive behavior secretly irritates them.

They strive for security. Their goal is to maintain the stability they prefer in a more constant environment. To Steady 'S' Styles, while the unknown may be an intriguing concept, they prefer to stick with what they already know and have experienced. "Risk" is an ugly word to them. They favor more measured actions, like keeping things as they have been and are, even if the present situation happens to be unpleasant due to their fear of change and disorganization. Consequently, any disruption in their routine patterns can cause distress in them. A general worry is that the unknown may be even more unpleasant than the present. They need to think and plan for changes. Finding the elements of sameness within those changes can help minimize their stress to cope with such demands.

Strengths and weaknesses

Steady 'S' Styles naturally "wear well" and are an easy type to get along with. They prefer stable relationships which don't jeopardize anyone, especially themselves. Steady 'S' Styles can be represented by the koala with its accompanying slower, steady pace; relaxed disposition; and appearance of approachability and warmth. Steady 'S' Styles have a tendency to plan and follow through. This helps them to routinely plug along. But they have their own type of unique difficulties with speaking up, seeming to go along with others or conditions, while inwardly, they may or may not agree. More assertive types might take advantage of this Steady 'S' Style tendency to give in and avoid confrontation. Additionally, Steady 'S' Styles' reluctance to express themselves can result in hurt feelings. But if Steady 'S' Styles don't explain their feelings, others may never know. Their lack of assertiveness can take a toll on this type's health and well-being.

Take it slow

Steady 'S' Styles yearn for more tranquility and security in their lives than the other three types. They often act pleasant and cooperative, but seldom incorporate emotional extremes such as rage and euphoria in their behavioral repertoire. Unlike Interacting 'I' Styles, Steady 'S' Styles usually experience less dramatic or frequently-occurring peaks and valleys to their more moderate emotional state. This reflects their natural need for composure, stability, and balance.

"Just plain folks"

Steady 'S' Styles lend a tone of continuity, coziness, and project a genuine liking and acceptance of others. They are comfortable people to watch and listen to who emanate that "I'm just a regular person" modesty. They put on no airs and project contentment with present conditions--just as they are and always have been.



The Conscientious 'C' Style: notice my efficiency

Goals and fears

Conscientious 'C' Styles concern themselves more with content than with congratulations. They prefer involvement with the performance of products and services under specific, and preferably controlled, conditions so the process and the results can be correct. Since their primary concern is accuracy, human emotions may take a back seat with them. Their biggest fears of uncontrolled emotions and irrational acts relate to their fear that these illogical acts may prevent goal achievement. Similarly, they fear emotionality and irrationality in others. They strive to avoid embarrassment, so they attempt to control both themselves and their emotions.

Strengths and weaknesses

Conscientious 'C' Style strengths include accuracy, dependability, independence, clarification and testing skills, follow-through, and organization. They often focus on expectations (e.g., policies, practices, and procedures) and outcomes. They want to know how things work so they can evaluate how correctly they function. Conscientious 'C' Styles can be cagey, resourceful, and careful. Because they need to be right, they prefer checking processes themselves. This tendency toward perfectionism, taken to an extreme, can result in "paralysis by over analysis". These overly cautious traits may result in worry that the process isn't progressing right, which further promotes their tendency to behave in a more critical, detached way.

Complex and serious

They prefer tasks over people, clearly defined priorities, and a known pace which is agreeable to them, especially where task timelines and deadlines are involved. Other types typically live life through a single predominant time orientation--past, present, or future. But Conscientious 'C' Styles are apt to be concerned about all three, as one aspect of their complex mental makeup. They tend to see the serious, more complicated sides of situations as well as the lighter--or even bizarre side--which accounts for their natural mental wit.

Conscientious 'C' Styles concentrate on making decisions in both logical and cautious ways to ensure that they take the best available action.

Think deeply

Due to compliance to their own personal standards, they demand a lot from themselves and others and may succumb to overly critical tendencies. But Conscientious 'C' Styles often keep their criticisms to themselves, hesitating to tell people what they think is deficient. They typically share information, both positive and negative, only on a "need to know" basis when they are assured that there will be no negative consequences for themselves.

When Conscientious 'C' Styles quietly hold their ground, they do so as a direct result of their proven knowledge of facts and details or their evaluation that others will tend to react less assertively. So, they can be assertive when they perceive they're in control of a relationship or their environment. Having determined the specific risks, margins of error, and other variables which significantly influence the desired results, they will take action.



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Construct Validity (APA Standards)

Construct validity is one of the most central concepts in psychology. It is the degree to which a test measures what it claims, or purports to be measuring. Researchers generally establish the construct validity of a measure by correlating it with a number of other measures and arguing from the pattern of correlations that the measure is associated with these variables in theoretically predictable ways.

Reliability - Cronbach's alpha (APA Standards)

This technique is regarded as one of the most robust measures of reliability and presents the highest 'bar' from which to compare. The readers should note that Cronbach's alpha is the method selected for this instrument, because of its high standards. The reader is encouraged to compare reliability coefficients presented herein to other vendors, and also to ask those vendors which reliability formulas they used to compute their reliability coefficients. Cronbach's alpha is a measure used to assess the reliability, or internal consistency, of a set of scale or test items. In other words, the reliability of any given measurement refers to the extent to which it is a consistent measure of a concept, and Cronbach's alpha is one way of measuring the strength of that consistency.

Disparate Impact (EEOC Guidelines)

Employers often use tests and other selection procedures to screen applicants for hire and employees for promotion. The use of tests and other selection procedures can be a very effective means of determining which applicants or employees are most qualified for a job. However, use of these tools can also violate the EEOC Guidelines if they disproportionately exclude people in a protected group by class, race, sex, or another covered basis. Importantly, the law does allow for selection procedures to select the best candidates based on job related requirements. If the selection procedure has a disparate impact based on race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, the employer is required to show that the selection procedure is job related and consistent with business necessity. If discrimination exists, the challenged policy or practice should therefore be associated with the skills needed to perform the job successfully.

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