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#### with Leil Lowndes

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Throughout history, philosophers and psychiatrists have divided people into four basic personality types. In this tape you learn how to determine <u>your</u> basic personality type. (Are you a box, a circle, a triangle or a squiggle?) Then you learn how to relate to the other boxes, circles, triangles and squiggles of the world. To further clarify our complicated communications conundrum, you'll examine differences in talking to men and talking to women.

#### TAPE 7B: HOW TO PLAY CONVERSATIONAL HARDBALL... AND WIN

Master *The Converter*, a powerful 5-step tool to persuade, sell, negotiate... and to <u>win</u>! Learn a foolproof pattern to sequence your concepts so you get your important ideas across. then how to tailor your points depending on who you're talking to. Discover ways to make your message hit home with real stories from your own life.

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Explores 7 subliminal rapport-establishing techniques. Learn how to emulate and capitalize on your conversational partners' background and experiences, clone their perceptions, and then create analogies and similes from their world. This tape gives you an advanced telephone technique for both deep rapport and crystal clear comprehension. Finally, here is a method for winning your conversational partners' hearts *by doing their thinking for them*!

#### TAPE 8B: HOW TO TALK WITH TIGERS AND NOT GET EATEN A\_LIVE

This tape takes conversation to its highest level. It gives you sophisticated communication techniques which can mean the difference between staying on \_ or toppling off the top rung of the social or corporate ladder. You'll learn advanced concepts like providing a *Safe Haven* for high level contacts, and always *Knowing the* Score in any relationship.

The course ends on a lighter note with The Ten Common Phrases you should never ever say in everyday conversation!

### **CONVERSATION CONFIDENCE WORKBOOK**

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The Carnegie Institute of Technology study revealed that in all fields:

\_% of financial success in life is due to professional knowledge.

\_\_% of financial success in life is due to good communications skills.

#### Rank, in order, (#1 through #6) the top skills employers most consider when hiring:

\_\_\_ Previous work experience

\_\_\_ Recommendations from previous employers

\_\_\_ Good communication skills

\_\_\_ Professional Training

\_\_\_\_ Number of years of schooling

\_\_\_\_ A good attitude

#### The first impression you make on a new acquaintance

20% What you say

30% The sound of your voice

50% Your body language, your expressions, and how you move

#### NON\_VERBAL TECHNIQUE: THE HELLO OLD FRIEND TECHNIQUE

To make a dynamic impression, and transform your body into that of an open, warm and friendly person without even thinking about it, imagine your n

a \_\_\_\_\_ is an o \_\_\_ f \_\_\_\_\_.

#### VERBAL TECHNIQUE: ECHOING

To give your conversational partner the feeling that you like their "family,"

use their arbitrary c \_ \_ \_ \_ of w \_ \_ \_ \_

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#### **Technique #1: YOUR PERSONALITY SOFTENER**

To seem captivated by your conversational partner, use this 8-point checklist which transforms your body into that of a warm and friendly person.

S is for \_\_\_\_\_

While you are looking at someone, keep your eyes on theirs with an occasional glance at their most attractive facial feature.

O is for \_

When you stand in this position at a party, people will instinctively gravitate toward you.

F is for \_

When you take this body position, you reassure your CP (Conversational Partner) that you genuinely like them.

T is for \_

In a new relationship, women can use this technique more often than men. However as a relationship progresses, men should do it more!

E is for\_

If you *don't* practice this technique, it will give your CP the subliminal message that you are bored with them.

N is for

This does not necessarily mean "I agree with you." But it does mean, "I understand."

E is for

Without this attribute, people will be bored with you no matter what you're talking about.

R is for

You can give your CP the subliminal feeling that you are attracted to them by playing with this technique.

NOTE: ALL of the above warm and friendly body language signals happen automatically when you use the *Hello Old Friend* technique.

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#### **Technique #2: THE FLOODING SMILE**

To make everyone feel your smile is genuine and especially for them, don't smile too q \_\_\_\_\_. Look at them for a few seconds. Drink them in through your eyes. And then let a s \_\_\_\_, warm, smile of appreciation flood over your face. And remember, the sincere smile involves your whole face, even your e \_\_\_.

#### Technique #3: THE STICKY EYES TECHNIQUE

The time difference between tearing our eyes away from someone we love and looking away from a bore is a f \_\_\_\_\_ of a s \_\_\_\_\_ but it signifies "rejection" or "acceptance." To give your CP the impression that you are captivated by what they are saying, let your eyes  $1 \_ \_ \_ a$  f \_\_\_\_\_ of a s \_\_\_\_\_ of a s \_\_\_\_\_ of a

#### Technique #4: THE VISUAL VOYAGE TECHNIQUE

To give your CP the impression that you enjoy looking at them, take a visual voyage all over their  $f_{\_\_}$  while they are talking, concentrating mostly on their  $e_{\_\_}$ . Often  $s_{\_\_\_}$  makes us avoid looking directly at someone.

#### **Technique #5: THE SNORE TECHNIQUE**

To make even boring people feel you find them interesting, use this beastly little trick. Think, "W  $\_$   $\_$   $\_$  a s  $\_$   $\_$   $\_$  this person is!" And then check your body for the S, the N, the 0, the R and the E from the acronym above. And, believe it or not, even <u>you</u> will begin to enjoy the conversation!

#### Name three people you will intend to use YOUR PERSONALITY SOFTENER on:

Friend:

Family member:

Co-Worker:

After you use this technique on them, record their reactions. Did you notice how their response to you was more friendly than usual?

Now, try the SOFTENER technique on the <u>next person you meet and</u> record their reactions to you:

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#### Some important points on small talk to remember

The secret of small talk is: It should be\_\_\_\_\_

The most important factor to consider in making is small talk is the s\_\_\_\_\_ of what you are saying.

Like in music, in small talk, the r \_\_\_\_\_ the m \_\_\_\_\_ and the f \_\_\_\_\_ are more important than your words.

Whenever first meeting someone, let your s \_ \_ \_ and your b \_ \_ \_ L \_ \_ \_ \_ carry the day.

Concerning your first words, have the courage of your own t \_\_\_\_\_

#### Technique #1: THE COMM\_YOU\_NICATION TECHNIQUE

Try to start as many sentences as you can with the magic little three-letter word,

#### Technique #2: THE RESIST THE ''QUICK\_ME\_TOO'' TECHNIQUE

Whenever you hear that you have something in common with your conversational partner, the longer you wait to reveal it, the more i \_\_\_\_\_ he or she will be.

THE SMALL TALK CHECKLIST Your very first words should be ...

1) N \_\_\_\_\_ and not t \_\_\_\_\_ When talking with a stranger, make sure that your first words reveal everything you want from that person.

2) R \_\_\_\_\_ to s \_\_\_\_\_ Try to make your first words relate to what is going on at the moment.

3) P\_\_\_\_\_, C\_\_\_\_\_, or E\_\_\_\_\_. If you say anything unpleasant or disagree too early in your conversation with a new acquaintance, that is 100% of their impression of your total personality.

4) E \_ \_ \_ to a \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ \_

In your first conversation with a new acquaintance, agreement on small points often subliminally determines whether the conversation will continue or not

There are two kinds of people in this life. Those who walk into a room and say "Well, \_\_\_\_\_!" And those who walk in and say, "Ah, \_\_\_\_\_!" You want to be one of the latter.

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#### **Technique #1: CHERRY PICKING**

To make the conversation more interesting for your conversational partner, and to slide out of small talk, adjust the *cherry picker* in your ear. Listen for any a \_\_\_\_\_, any d \_\_\_\_\_, any d \_\_\_\_\_, or any mention of another p \_ \_\_\_, t \_\_\_ or p \_\_\_\_.

#### **Technique #2: EMPLOY EMPATHIZERS**

Make liberal use of simple, short, supportive statements like "I can understand how you felt about that." Or "You made a wise choice," or "I'm so happy for you." Write a few of your own empathizes here:

#### Asking about someone's job:

What is a good substitute phrase if you are hesitant to ask a new acquaintance, "What do you do?"

#### **Technique #3: THE MOOD MATCH**

Before jumping into deeper conversation make a *mood match*. Take "p\_\_\_\_\_p\_\_\_\_" of the other person to determine if they're in the mood to talk more meaningfully.

#### The sequence of going from small talk to deeper conversation.

1) Make a \_\_\_\_\_

- 2) Use their \_\_\_\_
- 3) Ask them an \_\_\_\_\_ opener.

Make sure your opening questions have a subtext of a \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Technique #4: THE TREE TECHNIQUE**

When you get stuck for good conversation, use the tree technique. Ask about a person's  $r_{--}$ , their  $t_{--}$ , their  $b_{--}$ , or their  $l_{--}$ .

# The progression of appropriate conversation from its most shallow small talk to closer communication goes from:

1) Between strangers: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Between acquaintances: \_\_\_\_

3) Between friends: discussion of \_\_\_\_\_

4) Between intimates: talk about \_ \_ \_ and \_ \_.

#### Technique #5: SIGNAL SCRAMBLING

To make new acquaintances subliminally feel like your friend, cut quickly to number \_\_\_\_\_\_ above and use the discussion mode of intimates.

#### **Technique #6: CAPTIONING**

To make a new acquaintance feel like an old friend, develop a private joke (or even a pet name.) Whenever your conversational partner is telling a story, remember some part of it that they are \_\_\_\_\_, and then refer to it later.

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#### **Technique #1: CONVERSATION HOMEWORK**

When you know the interests of the people you will be talking to, ask a friend who shares that interest about the  $i \_\_\_\_\_ i \_\_ b \_\_\_\_\_$  and the  $i \_\_\_\_\_ h \_\_ b \_\_\_\_\_$ .

Whenever discussing someone else's interests, it's important to throw out a  $1\_\_\_\_b\_\_$  to show you are knowledgeable.

#### **Technique #2: SCRAMBLE THERAPY**

A technique when you don't you know the interests of the people you will be talking to: Once every three weeks do something totally out of your pattern to pick up the right words and the right questions to make you conversant in that interest for the rest of your life.

Scramble therapy not only involves doing lots of things just once. It also means: Occasionally reading a different n \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ or m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

Turning to a different s \_\_\_\_\_ of your local \_\_\_\_\_°

Going to lots of l \_\_\_\_\_.

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The human mind is capable of thinking \_ to \_ times faster than the ear can listen.

The five filters that words go through from the time they leave the other person's mouth until they reach our brain:

1) The \_\_\_\_ Filter
2) The \_\_\_\_\_ Filter
3) The \_\_\_\_\_ Filter
4) The \_\_\_\_\_ Filter
5) The \_\_\_\_ Filter

We only up hearing about \_\_\_\_\_% of what someone says.

#### The six ways to listen:

Listen like a *translator: To* make what your CP is clearer and more memorable, p \_\_\_\_\_ what he or she is saying in your own mind.

Listen like a *dancer*. To express total empathy with your CP, become a w \_\_\_\_ b \_\_\_ l \_\_\_\_

Listen like a *film maker:* Since we remember only 7% of what we hear, and 85% of what we see, turn what we hear into what we see by  $p_{\_\_\_\_\_\_}$  it like two little TV sets in front of our eyes.

Listen like a *psychiatrist:* Listen between the lines and ask yourself, how does my CP \_ \_ \_ about what he or she is saying.

Listen like a *lover:* Realize that often the point of having a conversation is simply To \_\_\_\_\_

#### The four-point listening checklist.

While listening, ask yourself the WHEW questions.

W\_\_\_\_\_?

Н\_\_\_\_\_?

- E \_\_\_\_\_?
- W\_\_\_\_\_?

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#### THE SIX°POINT PARTY CHECKLIST

Before going to a party, ask yourself the following questions:

- W \_ \_ is going to be there?
- W \_ \_ \_ should I arrive?
- W \_ \_ is the party being given?
- W\_\_\_\_ is the collective mind of the people at the party?
- W \_ \_ \_ should I take to this particular party?
- H\_\_ am I going to follow up on the people I've met at the party?
- Why is it a mistake to head right for the refreshment table?

Why is it a mistake to talk mostly with your friends at a party?

What is the simplest thing that both men and women are afraid to do in public if they don't know each other... but is the most effective way to meet people?

#### Technique #1: THE WHATZAT TECHNIQUE

Search the \_\_\_\_\_ of any attractive stranger you want to talk to and find something you can compliment and or ask about. Also, whenever you go to a party, wear an unusual piece of  $j_{-}_{-}$  or  $c_{-}_{-}$  that anyone who finds you "the attractive stranger" can comment on.

#### Technique #2: THE WHOZAT TECHNIQUE

When you spot someone you would like to meet, ask the party giver for \_\_\_\_\_\_. If they are too busy, ask for a sentence or two \_\_\_\_\_\_ so you have an opening approach.

#### Technique #3: THE ''LET'S MINGLE'' TECHNIQUE

When you'd like to move on and talk to someone else, what should you say to your conversational partner?

#### Technique #4: THE ''LATEST NEWS'' TECHNIQUE

What's the last thing you should do before leaving for a party?

#### **Technique #5: THE NUTSHELL RESUME**

Whatever your job, have something to say about your own work.

#### Technique #6: THE INTRODUCTORY BAIT

When introducing people to each other at a party, give their names and

Never say, "I'm terrible with names. What is yours again?" Instead say:

#### Technique #7: THE PERSONALIZED POSTCARD

Get a personalized post cards with \_\_\_\_\_\_ To follow up on an interesting contact at the party, send the card and refer to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to personalize it. \_printed on it.

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The study of body language is a science called "\_\_\_\_\_.

How can you tell if someone is lying by watching their body language?

You can determine if someone is happy with what they are seeing or hearing, by watching the s \_ \_ \_ or their p \_ \_ \_ \_.

How can you tell a sincere smile from a false one?

If you are having a disagreement with a good friend or someone you love, say what you must, but let body position m  $\_$   $\_$   $\_$  his or hers to show solidarity.

How can you tell who is the boss or "ranking individual" in any group?

#### EYEBALL SELLING

You can plan your sales pitch for your product, service or just your ideas by watching your listener's body positions. What should you do if you observe the following?

- 1) Study their head position. Is their head turned away?
- 2) Look at their body position. Is it turning away?
- 3) Does their facial expression change? Become lively?
- 4) Does your listener reach for an object?
- 5) Are they pointing their fingers?
- 6) Study their hands. Are their palms up?
- 7) Is their head is nodding up and down?

#### How to know if someone of the opposite sex finds you attractive:

According to a scientific study, only 1 man in \_\_\_ knew if a new female acquaintance was interested in him.

Gentlemen, if you look at a woman you don't know and she looks away, it indicates she is interested if she looks up again at you within \_\_ seconds.

Determine the inches between your noses when you are chatting. If she lets you get within \_\_ inches, she likes you.

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About \_\_\_\_% of your energy level is lost over the phone.

#### Technique #1: VERBAL SMILES'N NODS

To replace the body language part of you communication, on the phone use verbal equivalents. What is your verbal equivalent of:

smile?
nod?
n expression of surprise?
questioning look?
n admiring look?

#### Technique #2: THE "OH WOW, IT'S YOU!" TECHNIQUE

Better than smiling before you answer the phone, exaggerate the warmth of your hello \_\_\_\_\_ you find out who it is.

#### Technique #3: NAME DROPPING TECHNIQUE (THEIR'S)

To further personalize your phone communication, make even more liberal use of their \_ \_ \_ \_ on the phone than you would in person.

#### Technique #4: THE CONSTANTLY CHANGING VOICE MAIL MESSAGE

Studies have shown that people are perceived as more i \_\_\_\_\_ and more on top of their b \_\_\_\_\_ if they leave a voice mail message that they change every day or even every few hours.

What's wrong with this voice mail message that says, "I'm either away from my desk or on the other phone right now?"

Your voice mail message is like a verbal a \_\_\_\_\_ for your business.

#### Technique #5: THE CLIFF HANGER MESSAGE

Whenever you leave a voice mail message for someone, try to leave a cliff hanger message so it gives them

#### Technique #6: WHAT COLOR IS YOUR TIME?

Whenever you call anyone, always ask, "Is this a g \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ to talk?"

#### Technique #7: LISTEN FOR BACKGROUND NOISES

When you're listening to someone on the phone and you hear another line ringing or a dog or baby, ask if they:

#### **Technique #8: SALUTE THE SPOUSE**

Always a \_\_\_\_\_ the person who answers the phone before asking for your party.

#### **Technique #9: THE PROP CHECK**

Get all your telephone m \_\_\_\_\_ in order *before* answering the phone.

#### Technique #10: THE MAKE BELIEVE HOLD BUTTON

At home, don't let a family member s \_ \_ \_ for you to come to the phone.

Fill in the following acronym for sensitive hold button operation. When you must put them on hold, tell your caller:

W \_\_\_\_\_\_ H \_\_\_\_\_ A \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_

Never say just "thank you" at the end of a conversation. Always say:

#### TAPE 5B: PUT PIZAZZ IN YOUR CONVERSATION WITH PRO'S TECHNIQUES

Discern how you sound to your listeners and how to regulate the speed and tone of your voice. Discover image consultants' techniques to put passion in your conversation, and professional speakers' techniques such as using dramatic silences, collecting rich phrases and humor to entertain your listeners... and much more. Finally, learn actors' techniques to be completely relaxed when giving presentations to groups of people.

Record one of your phone conversations and listen to it afterward. Now, pretend you are a radio drama producer. What role would you cast your voice in?

Count the number of words you speak per minute.

#### **Technique #1: TRANSFERENCE**

Think of something you really enjoy talking about (baseball? country music? tennis? ballet? your children? your computer?)

Now, with that in mind, use the transference Technique described in the tape.

#### **Technique #2: THE TRUMPET BLARE PAUSE TECHNIQUE**

What should you do to make sure someone listens to your next words?

#### **Technique #3: YOUR PERSONAL THESAURUS**

Write a common adjective you use very often here. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Now look it up in a *thesaurus* or book of synonyms. Read some of the synonyms and choose three or four that you feel comfortable with.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Now practice working those words into your everyday conversations.

When choosing phrases, choose the ones that have the most v \_\_\_\_\_ impact. Make liberal use of q \_\_\_\_\_, h \_\_\_\_ and s \_\_\_\_\_ to make your points.

When you are presenting your important ideas, this body position is the most effective:

What should you do with your hands?

#### **Technique #4: FONDLE THE ROOM TECHNIQUE**

In order to appear completely confident when you speak to a group, try to t  $\_\_\_$  the space you'll be talking in. If you can't do that,  $l \_\_\_$  carefully at it. And if you don't even have the opportunity to do that, be sure to v  $\_\_\_\_$  it.

What is the worst time of the day to make a presentation?

What is the worst day to make a presentation?

The second worst?

The best 2 days to make a presentation:

When you must persuade, convince, cajole or otherwise bring someone around to your way of thinking, dress like them, but

#### **TAPE 6A: THE POWER OF PRAISE - THE FOLLY OF FLATTERY**

Elevate praise to an art form and win many friends. Master the *Killer Compliment*, the *Little Strokes compliment*, the *Implied Compliment*, the *Grapevine Compliment*, the *Carrier Pigeon Compliment*, the Bulls *Eye Compliment*, the *Knee Jerk Compliment*, and the *Tracking* compliment. You'll also discover the *Boomerang Technique* to make other people want to compliment <u>you!</u>

#### **Technique #1: THE KILLER COMPLIMENT**

4) Make sure it is \_\_\_\_\_.

5) The Killer compliment should be \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

6) Make sure it for a quality the recipient is \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Technique #2: LITTLE STROKES**

List 4 "little strokes" phrases that fit your style that you might start giving to people.

Technique #3: THE IMPLIED COMPLIMENT

An implied compliment is one you bury in the \_\_\_\_\_ part of your sentence.

#### Technique #4: THE GRAPEVINE COMPLIMENT

Think of something nice about a friend of yours:

Now write the name of a mutual friend the two of you have:

The next time you see your mutual friend, tell them the nice quality friend A has. (And then just wait for them to pass it on to A.)

#### **Technique #5: THE CARRIER PIGEON COMPLIMENT**

Think of something nice someone you know recently said about somebody else you know:

Now, the next time you see that "somebody else", pass the other person's compliment on to them.

#### **Technique #6: THE BULLS-EYE COMPLIMENT**

Write the name of someone you have warm feelings toward or a person who, for social or business reasons, you want to establish a solid relationship with.

What do you assume they are most proud of and what quality would they most like to be recognized for?

Resolve to compliment them on that quality next time you see them.

#### **Technique #7:** THE KNEE-JERK COMPLIMENT

Why is the timing of the Knee Jerk compliment so crucial?

#### Technique #8: TRACKING

Everyone is the star of a movie called: "\_\_\_\_\_

#### Technique #9: BOOMERANGING

Why is boomeranging even better than just saying "Thank you" when you receive a compliment.

#### **TAPE 6B: CHEWING UP TOUGH COOKIES**

Learn the predictable patterns of tough cookies' annoying behavior, and how to chew them up so they don't even feel bitten. Here are step-by-step methods for dealing with *negativists*, *constant talkers*, the *super-agreeable people* who always let you down, *hostile aggressive bullies*, and *snipers*. Finally learn the magic catchall sentence that turns the worst of them around.

To get along better with a difficult person in your life, first write their name here:

#### DEALING WITH THE "SUPER-AGREEABLE WHO ALWAYS LETS YOU DOWN"

The first step in dealing with a super-agreeable is:

#### DEALING WITH MACK TRUCK, THE "HOSTILE AGGRESSIVE BULLY"

The first step in dealing with a hostile aggressive bully is:

#### DEALING WITH SNELLA, THE -SNIPER"

The first step in dealing with a sniper is:

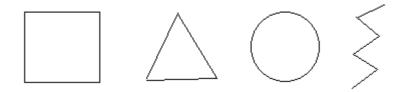
#### THE "THAT'S NOT LIKE YOU" TECHNIQUE

This is a catchall technique for dealing with all tough cookies. Simply say their name, and then say,

#### **TAPE 7A: DIFFERENT STROKES FOR DIFFERENT FOLKS AND DIFFERENT GENDERS**

Throughout history, philosophers and psychiatrists have divided people into four basic personality types. In this tape you learn how to determine <u>you</u> basic personality type. (Are you a box, a circle, a triangle or a squiggle?) Then you learn how to relate to the other boxes, circles, triangles and squiggles of the world. To further clarify our complicated communications conundrum, you'll examine differences in talking to men and talking to women.

Which of the following four geometric shapes do you "feel" most like? (You may choose a primary and a secondary "shape.")



List some adjectives which describe the box personality type:

List some adjectives which describe the circle personality type:

List some adjectives which describe the triangle personality type:

List some adjectives which describe the squiggle personality type:

If you go into someone's office, you might determine which personality type they are by the furniture arrangement. Which "shape" is the occupant of the following offices:

One chair, distant from occupant's desk, piles of paperwork on the desk:

A \_\_\_\_\_\_ personality works in this office.

No chairs but the occupant's, manuals lined up on shelf:

A \_\_\_\_\_ personality works in this office.

Office constantly changing, often in disarray:

A \_\_\_\_\_\_ personality works in this office.

Several chairs arranged in a ring, many photos and mementos: A \_\_\_\_\_\_ personality works in this office.

#### DEALING WITH THE FOUR PERSONALITY TYPES:

And use words like:

#### DIFFERENCES IN TALKING WITH MEN AND TALKING WITH WOMEN:

A man's greatest fear in life is:

A woman's greatest fear in life is:

#### TAPE 7B: HOW TO PLAY CONVERSATIONAL HARDBALL..AND WIN

Master *The Converter*, a powerful 5-step tool to persuade, sell, negotiate... and to win! Learn a foolproof pattern to sequence your concepts so you get your important ideas across. Then how to tailor your points depending on who you're talking to. Discover ways to make your message hit home with real stories from your own life.

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#### **THE CONVERTER**

**THE OVERTURE** (How is... How are...)

**THE ASK/LISTEN & RESTATE PHASE** (Tell me...As I understand it...)

**SET UP THE BIG QUESTION** (Given this scenario, can <u>we</u>...)

### THE THINKING PHASE (Hmm...)

#### THE BIG ANSWER PHASE

(The answer is <u>Yes</u>, because...)

Which of the techniques that you have already learned should you especially use during *The Overture* part of the Converter?

The length of your overture depends on your listener's p \_\_\_\_\_ t \_\_\_\_

Which of the verbal techniques that you have learned should especially be employed during the Ask/Listen phase of the Converter?

What other techniques you have learned is crucial to employ during the Ask/Listen phase?

Name two techniques mentioned here that you will learn on tape 8A that you should employ during the Ask/Listen phase.

You should first bring up the idea, the product, the service you want to "sell" during the \_\_\_\_\_ phase.

By using the converter, your listener feels you have not given a sales pitch for your product or ideas, but the one unique s \_\_\_\_\_ to his/her p \_\_\_\_\_.

What is the first step negotiators take?

## It is important to tailor the information to your particular listener. Ask yourself three questions before presenting your ideas:

Is there any material I should \_\_\_\_\_\_ for this particular listener?

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Is there any material I should \_\_\_\_\_\_ for this particular listener?

And punctuate your presentation with  $s_{---}$  to make it come alive for your listener(s). But it is important that they be  $t_{--}$ .

#### **TAPE 8A: ADVANCED RAPPORT ESTABLISHING TECHNIQUES**

Explores 7 subliminal rapport-establishing techniques. Learn how to emulate and capitalize on your conversational partners' background and experiences, clone their perceptions, and then create analogies and similes from <u>their</u> world. This tape gives you an advanced telephone technique for both deep rapport and crystal clear comprehension. Finally, here is a method for winning your conversational partners' hearts by *doing their thinking for them*!

The place of work of someone in

Advertising is called Publishing is called	
Broadcasting is called	

Don't say "drugstore", say \_\_\_\_\_\_. Don't say "day care worker, say \_\_\_\_\_\_. Don't say "handicapped person," say \_\_\_\_\_\_. Don't say "vet," for an animal doctor, say \_\_\_\_\_\_. If you were in conversation, with the following adventure sports enthusiasts, fill in the word you would use for "crash" or "fatal accident."

Motor cycle rider	$I\_\d\_\_$ the bike
Rock climber	c
Hang glider	g i_
Bungee jumper	s
Sky Diver	b

#### **Technique #3: INSTANT REPLAY**

To get the most out of your important phone conversations, check the laws in your state. If it is legal, record your conversations for these three reasons.

1) You pick up s \_\_\_\_\_ in your caller's voice.

2) In your follow-up conversations, it allows you to e \_ \_ \_ their insider's words.

3) You pick up important information on f \_\_\_\_ b \_\_\_\_

#### **Technique #4: PARROTING**

When you need to draw more information out of your conversational partner, instead of giving your usual signals, put a q \_\_\_\_\_ look on your face and r \_\_\_\_\_ their last few words.

#### Technique #5: DON'T TOUCH A CLICHE WITH A TEN FOOT POLE

Many intelligent people might feel, "Lips that touch a \_\_\_\_\_ will never touch \_\_\_\_\_!"

#### Technique #6: SENSE CLONING

Generally, people describe their world more through one sense than the other: sight, sound or feeling.

Primarily \_\_\_\_\_ people might use phrases like: I see what you mean That looks good to me

Primarily \_\_\_\_\_ people use phrases like: I hear you That sounds good to me

Primarily \_\_\_\_\_ people use like phrases like: I get it I have a gut feeling that's good.

#### **Technique #7: POTENT IMAGING**

You make a much clearer and more powerful impact when you invoke images from your conversational partner's interests.

To a gardener, you would talk about s \_\_\_\_\_ the s \_\_\_\_ for success.

To a boat owner, you'd say a concept h \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_\_.

To a private pilot, you'd talk about that concept really t \_\_\_\_\_ o \_\_\_.

Now come up with a phrase related to that interest that you will use the next time you are in a discussion with them:

#### Technique #8: COMM-YOU-NICATION Part II

For many people thinking is painful, so try to do their thinking for them. Whenever you say anything, people always ask themselves\_\_\_\_\_? So answer it for them before they ask by starting every sentence with "\_\_\_"

#### TAPE 8B: HOW TO TALK WITH TIGERS AND NOT GET EATEN ALIVE

This tape takes conversation to its highest level. It gives you sophisticated communication techniques which can mean the difference between staying on \_ or toppling off \_the top rung of the social or corporate ladder. You'll learn advanced concepts like providing a *Safe Haven* for high level contacts, and always *Knowing the Score* in any relationship.

The course ends on a lighter note with *The* Ten Common *Phrases you should* <u>never ever</u> say in everyday conversation!

In big league corporate and social circles, it is unspoken. But everybody always knows \_\_\_\_\_\_. And the person "on bottom" must figuratively \_\_\_\_\_\_ to the one "on top."

#### Technique #4: ALWAYS REVEAL WIIFY

WIIFY stands for W \_\_\_'\_ \_\_\_? Never have any h \_\_\_\_\_a \_\_\_\_, especially if it involves the other person's time.

#### **Technique #5: LEND A HELPING TONGUE**

Whenever someone's story was interrupted, always be the first to say,

If you want to play with the big boys and the big girls, always tell \_\_\_\_\_\_

## THE TEN COMMON PHRASES YOU SHOULD NEVER USE IN CONVERSATION

1) When a friend of yours looks tired, never say...

2) When meeting a slight acquaintance at a party, never say...

3) When someone offers you a drink, a cigarette or a coffee, never say...

4) Before presenting one of your ideas, never say ...

5) Before telling someone something in confidence, never say...

6) When talking about a previous relationship, never say...

- 7) When reminding someone of a promise, never say...
- 8) When telephone a friend, never say...
- 9) When asking for a date, never say...
- 10) When wishing someone a nice day, never say...

-end workbook-

### WORKBOOK ANSWERS

#### TAPE 1A. - HOW TO MAKE AN UNFORGETTABLE FIRST IMPRESSION

- 15% professional knowledge
- 85% good communications skills

<u>3</u> Previous work experience <u>4</u> Recommendations from previous employers <u>2</u> Good communication skills <u>5</u> Professional Training <u>6</u> Number of years of schooling <u>1</u> A good attitude

#### HELLO OLD FRIEND TECHNIQUE

Imagine your new acquaintance is an old friend

#### **ECHOING**

choice of words

#### TAPE III: HOW TO CAPTIVATE ANYONE, ANYTIME. ANYPLACE

#### THE PERSONALITY SOFTENER TECHNIQUE

Smile Open Body Position Forward Lean Touch Eye Contact Nodding Energy Level Relative Distance Between You

#### THE FLOODING SMILE

quickly slow eyes

#### THE STICKY EYES TECHNIQUE

fraction of a second linger a fraction of a second

#### THE VISUAL VOYAGE TECHNIQUE

face eyes shyness

#### THE SNORE TECHNIQUE

"What a SNORE this person is!"

#### **TAPE 2A: THE SECRET OF SMALL TALK**

small subtext the rhythm, the melody and the feeling smile and your body language triteness

**COMM-YOU-NICATION TECHNIQUE** You

**RESIST THE "QUICK-ME-TOO" TECHNIQUE** impressed

#### THE SMALL-TALK CHECK LIST

Neutral and not threatening
Relevant to situation
Pleasant, Complimentary or Empathetic
Easy to agree with

"Well, here I am!" "Ah, there <u>you</u> are!"

#### Tape 2B: TRANSITION FROM SMALL TALK TO DEEPER TALK

#### **CHERRY PICKING**

anomaly deviation digression place, time or person

#### Asking about someone's job:

"What do you enjoy doing?"

#### THE MOOD MATCH

psychic photograph

#### The sequence of going from small talk to deeper conversation.

mood match name long form subtext of approval

#### THE TREE TECHNIQUE

roots trunk branches leaves

#### Progression of conversation from small talk to closer communication:

cliches facts feelings talk about you and us

SIGNAL SCRAMBLING

cut to number 4

#### TAPE 3A: HOW TO SOUND LIKE AN INSIDER IN ANY CROWD

#### **CONVERSATION HOMEWORK**

insider ice breakers insider hot buttons little bait

#### Technique #: SCRAMBLE THERAPY

newspaper or magazine section of your local newspaper lectures greetings

#### **TAPE 3B: MEGA REWARDS FOR MEGA LISTENING**

The human mind is capable of thinking 4to 6 times faster than the ear can listen.

#### The five hearing filters:

ear selection meaning emotion ego

We only hear about 25% of what someone says.

#### The six ways to listen:

paraphrase whole body listener picturing feel have a conversation

#### The four-point listening checklist.

W - WHATWhat is he telling me?H - HOWHow does the speaker feel about what he's telling me?E - EXPECTED REACTIONWhat reaction does the speaker expect me to have?W - WHYWhy is he telling me this?

#### TAPE 4A: HOW TO WORK A PARTY LIKE A POLITICIAN WORKS A ROOM

#### THE SIX-POINT PARTY CHECKLIST:

WHO is going to be there?WHEN should I arrive?WHY is the party being given?WHERE is the collective mind of the people at the party?WHAT should I take to this particular party?HOW am I going to follow up on the people I've met at the party?

Eating at a party: If you're munching away, people are not going to be as apt to come up and say, "hi."

Chatting with your friends: Strangers are not going to approach you if you are standing in a group.

Smile!

#### THE WHATZAT TECHNIQUE

clothing jewelry or clothing

#### THE WHOZAT TECHNIQUE

an introduction some information about the person you want to meet

#### THE "LET'S MINGLE" TECHNIQUE

"I've really enjoyed talking to you. Why don't we mingle a little now?" Or "Let's mingle a little now and I hope we see each other again before the party's over."

#### THE "LATEST NEWS" TECHNIQUE

Turn on the TV news or scan your newspaper for the latest news.

#### THE NUTSHELL RESUME

enthusiastic or interesting

#### THE INTRODUCTORY BAIT

another line or two about them to inspire interesting conversation

"You know I really want to remember your name ... could you tell me again."

#### THE PERSONALIZED POSTCARD

your name, address and phone number some story or fact your contact mentioned in conversation

#### **TAPE 4B: LET YOUR BODY DO THE TALKING**

The study of body language: a science called "kinetics"

To tell if someone is lying: Watch for a *change* in their demeanor

You can determine if someone is happy with what they are seeing or hearing: by watching the size of their pupils.

A sincere smile: reaches the eyes

When having a disagreement with a good friend: Let your body position mirror his or hers

Tell who the "ranking individual" on a group by: Watching how others mirror his or her body position

#### EYEBALL SELLING

Head turned away: Encourage your customer to verbalize objections so you can tackle them head on.

Body turned away: Ask him a personal question to get him talking and get his attention back.

Face becomes lively: Expand on whatever aspect you are currently discussing.

Reaching for an object: Be quiet to your listener think the issue through.

Pointing their fingers: Listen carefully and, if possible, show agreement.

Palms of hands facing up: They are subconsciously seeking your help, so move in with explanations.

Head nodding up and down: Go for the close!

**How to know if someone of the opposite sex finds you attractive:** 1 man in 31

45 seconds 18 inches

## **TAPE 5A: REACH OUT AND TOUCH EVERYBODY.. BY PHONE** 30%

### THE "OH WOW, IT'S YOU!" TECHNIQUE after

### NAME DROPPING TECHNIQUE (THEIRS) name

#### THE CONSTANTLY CHANGING VOICE MAIL MESSAGE

intelligent business makes you sound like a slave of your business instead of the master advertisement

#### THE CLIFF HANGER MESSAGE

a reason to call you back

#### WHAT COLOR IS YOUR TIME?

"Is this a good time to talk?"

#### LISTEN FOR BACKGROUND NOISES

have to answer the other line

## SALUTE THE SPOUSE acknowledge

### THE PROP CHECK materials

THE MAKE BELIEVE HOLD BUTTON shout

#### HOLD BUTTON RULES

W - What you'll be doing while they're waiting

#### H - How long you expect it to be

A - Ask permission to put them on hold

T - Thank them ... twice. For agreeing to hold, then for holding

Always say, "Thank you for..." and then specify what you are thanking them for.

#### TAPE 5B: PUT PIZAZZ IN YOUR CONVERSATION WITH PRO'S TECHNIQUES

#### THE TRUMPET BLARE PAUSE TECHNIQUE

pause for a moment of silence first

#### YOUR PERSONAL THESAURUS

visual quotations, humor and statistics standing use them to gesture

#### FONDLE THE ROOM TECHNIQUE

touch look at visualize

#### **PRESENTATION TIMES**

right after lunch Friday Monday Wednesday and Thursday just a little bit better in *their* style

#### TAPE 6A: THE POWER OF PRAISE ° THE FOLLY OF FLATTERY

#### THE KILLER COMPLIMENT USER'S MANUAL:

in private
upon parting
3 months
credible
brief, blunt and non self conscious
proud of

#### THE IMPLIED COMPLIMENT

parenthetical

#### THE KNEE-JERK COMPLIMENT

Because they have only one question on their mind, "How did I do?"

TRACKING

"My Life"

#### BOOMERANGING

It makes the other person feel good for complimenting you.

#### **TAPE 6B: CHEWING UP TOUGH COOKIES**

#### DEALING WITH "NEGATIVIST"

Do not disagree; just listen.

#### DEALING WITH THE CONSTANT TALKER"

Interrupt his/her story with short, staccato questions.

#### DEALING WITH THE "SUPER-AGREEABLE WHO ALWAYS LETS YOU DOWN"

Make it non-threatening for him/her to be honest with you.

#### DEALING WITH THE "HOSTILE AGGRESSIVE BULLY"

Give him/her time to sound off.

#### **DEALING WITH a "SNIPER"**

Surface their attack.

#### THE "THAT'S NOT LIKE YOU" TECHNIQUE

"That's not like you to..." (fill in whatever behavior of theirs you want to change.)

#### **TAPE 7A.- DIFFERENT SMOKES FOR DIFFERENT FOLKS - AND DIFFERENT GENDERS**

#### **QUALITIES DESCRIBING DIFFERENT SHAPES**

BOXES organized analytical persistent problem solvers

CIRCLES nurturers

supporters friendly nice

TRIANGLES

independent strong willed competitive intelligent

SQUIGGLES enthusiastic theatrical spontaneous creative

#### **OFFICE FURNITURE ANALYSIS**

triangle box squiggle circle

#### TALKING TO THE DIFFERENT SHAPES

#### TALKING TO A BOX

Talk slowly, methodically. Don't get emotional. Make sure your stories have a beginning, a middle and an end. Don't exaggerate. Use words like "precise, exact, and specific."

TALKING TO A CIRCLE Ask the circle personality how he/she *feels* today. Give many compliments. Avoid conflict. Use words like "pleasant, pleasurable, agreeable, harmonious, compatible and even nice"

TALKING TO A TRIANGLE Begin at the end, give the bottom line first. Be supportive of their goals and objectives. Don't argue with a triangle. If you're going to compliment the triangle compliment their ideas, not their appearance. Use words like "proven, success, the result, the truth, important." Speak of "Productivity, Principles, Practices, and Priorities."

#### TALKING TO A SQUIGGLE

Before you decide on your game-plan with a squiggle, you must first determine what shape he/she is feeling like that day. Then go with that shape. Use any words that express enthusiasm and passion.

#### TALKING TO MEN - TALKING TO WOMEN

Man's: to be a failure

Woman's: to be alone, a "bag lady"

#### TAPE 7B: HOW TO PLAY CONVERSATIONAL HARDBALL ... AND WIN

During the Overture phase, especially use Tracking. personality type During the Ask/Listen phase, especially use Echoing also use Mega-Listening And, from tape 8A, Parroting and Sense Cloning The Big Answer the one unique solution to his/her problem.

The first step negotiators take is to learn the other person's side.

add omit substitute stories true

#### TAPE 8A: ADVANCED RAPPORT ESTABLISHING TECHNIQUES

move and speak move and speak

#### "U-WORDS"

rich toilet paper You have a nice house How do you do?

Different words for where they work: agency or "shop" house studio

"community pharmacy" "child care worker" "person with a disability" "veterinarian"

When speaking with adventure sports enthusiasts: lays down craters goes in splats bounces

#### INSTANT REPLAY

subtleties echo first bounce

#### PARROTING

questioning repeat

# **DON'T TOUCH A CLICHE WITH A TEN FOOT POLE** cliche

mine

#### SENSE CLONING

visual or sight auditory or sound kinesthetic or feeling

#### POTENT IMAGING

sowing the seeds for success holds water taking off

**COMM-YOU-NICATION Part II** "How does that affect me?" you

#### TAPE 8B: HOW TO TALK WITH TIGERS AND NOT GET EATEN ALIVE

#### SAFE HAVENING

when "breaking bread" or dining with someone
at parties or other social situations
during chance encounters

### NEVER SAY BUTTERFINGERS

nothing

#### KNOW THE SCORE

knows the score bow

**ALWAYS REVEAL WIIFY** What's in it for you? hidden agenda

#### LEND A HELPING TONGUE

"Now please get back to your story." the truth

#### THE TEN COMMON PHRASES YOU SHOULD NEVER USE IN CONVERSATION

- 1) "You look tired."
- 2) "I bet you don't remember me!"
- 3) "Oh, no. I don't smoke (drink, drink coffee)."
- 4) "I've got a great idea."
- 5) "Don't tell him/her I told you this, but..."
- 6) "What a creep my ex was!"
- 7) "You promised to..."
- 8) "Hi. Guess who this is."
- 9) "What are you doing Saturday night?"
- 10) "Have a nice day!"