## Click! Colours - COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGIES - G. Barnes & D. Koutsoukis

| TEMPERAMENT  | ANALYSER<br>BLUE   | PLAYER<br>YELLOW  | CARER<br>RED  | SAFEKEEPER<br>GREEN  |
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| ANALYSER (Being Logical)  BLUE COMMUNICATING WITH      | Use your natural style.     Don't let egos clash.     Be prepared for a tough contest to win another Driver to your side.  | MAKE IT FUN     Be open and friendly.     Take time to socialise.     Show personal benefits and recognition to persuade the Expressive.  | SHOW EMPATHY  Slow down - give support and assurances. Don't stress variables or alternatives. To bring communication to a conclusion, make decision easy for Amiable and reassure that decision.   | BE ORGANISED     Answer questions.     Provide more facts than you may want to.     Encourage evaluation.     Be patient.     To close, be firm, polite, and decisive after presenting facts and allowing adequate evaluation time.                |
| PLAYER (Making it fun) YELLOW COMMUNICATING WITH       | <ul> <li>Be formal and to the point.</li> <li>Keep distance; no touching.</li> <li>Don't joke or waste time.</li> <li>Let Driver feel important.</li> <li>Avoid being apologetic.</li> <li>Don't bluff answers.</li> <li>Don't feel rejected by the possible bluntness of the Driver.</li> </ul>               | <ul> <li>Don't compete for recognition.</li> <li>Stick to business.</li> <li>Be sure to focus on a commitment to action.</li> <li>Get the details agreed and action planned</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Earn their trust.</li> <li>Don't overly socialise.</li> <li>Give plenty of support material.</li> <li>Give assurances and testimonials.</li> <li>Be polite and reassuring.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Be factual; give more facts than you like.</li> <li>Don't try to impress Analytical with your importance.</li> <li>Don't touch; keep distance.</li> <li>To persuade, be direct and confident after all questions are answered.</li> </ul> |
| CARER (Showing Empathy)  RED COMMUNICATING WITH        | Be yourself, but confident.     Recognise and accept the Driver's assertive style.     Be confident and get to the point sooner and more forcefully than you feel comfortable with.  | <ul> <li>Accept the openness and friendliness of Expressives.</li> <li>Be friendly but don't let them waste a lot of your time.</li> <li>Don't bog them down with details.</li> <li>Conclude by appealing to the personal ego - do it more quickly than you like to.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Will relate well with other Amiables.</li> <li>Be assuring with them,</li> <li>but also confident and assertive.</li> <li>Don't wait for them to be totally comfortable to press for decision - just provide assurances that it is the right one.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Answer questions confidently.</li> <li>Give the facts they want.</li> <li>Refuse to let their perpetual scepticism discourage you.</li> </ul>   |
| SAFEKEEPER (Being organised)  GREEN COMMUNICATING WITH | <ul> <li>Don't try to be impressive with excessive facts and figures; give bottom line answers.</li> <li>Concentrate on high points.</li> <li>Get excited about new ideas.</li> <li>Appeal to the individual's ego, not on the merits of proposal, product, or service - difficult for Analyticals.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Try to be friendly and fun.</li> <li>Be excited about new ideas.</li> <li>Sell to the person not the features.</li> <li>Don't bog them down with details.</li> <li>Close before you feel all the necessary facts are disclosed.</li> </ul>                             | <ul> <li>Be friendly; earn Amiable's trust.</li> <li>Slow down on the facts; allow Amiables to digest them.</li> <li>Avoid getting too detailed.</li> <li>Conclude with assurances.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Keep control.</li> <li>Be friendly.</li> <li>Present both sides.</li> <li>Close earlier than you feel comfortable doing.</li> </ul>   |