# **TRUE COLOURS HANDOUTS**

# **Personality Bingo**

How well can you recognize the personality of others? How quickly can you move from person to person, asking questions and getting results? Find people who can benestly answer 'yes' for each of the descriptions

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I am predictable	I love to compete	l am compassionate	I am curious and need to know 'why?'
I am definitely a risk-taker	l am organized	I am a deep thinker	I am a good listener and a good communicator
l am a true romantic	I love to solve complicated problems	l need to be on time	I am calm, cool, and collected
l act on a moment's notice (spontaneous)	I am very sensitive to the feelings of others	I am a natural performer	It is difficult for me to relax until my work is done

# True Colours Word Cluster Experience

Words are grouped in clusters to match specific personality traits. In each row, select the grouping of words that best describes you. Score (4) for the most like you, (3) for second, (2) for third, and (1) for the least like you. Remember to score each row across.

Active	Parental	Authentic	Versatile
Opportunistic	Traditional	Harmonious	Inventive
Spontaneous	Responsible	Compassionate	Competent
Competitive	Practical	Unique	Curious
Impetuous	Sensible	Empathetic	Conceptual
Impactful	Dependable	Communicative	Knowledgeable
Realistic	Loyal	Devoted	Theoretical
Open-minded	Conservative	Warm	Seeking
Adventuresome	Organized	Poetic	Ingenious
Daring	Concerned	Tender	Determined
Impulsive	Procedural	Inspirational	Complex
Fun	Cooperative	Dramatic	Composed
Exciting	Orderly	Vivacious	Philosophical
Courageous	Conventional	Affectionate	Principled
Skillful	Caring	Sympathetic	Rational

Card Sort	Card Sort	Card Sort	Card Sort	
Ranking	Ranking	Ranking	Ranking	

TOTAL	TOTAL	- TOTAL	TOTAL	
ORANGE	GOLD	BLUE	GREEN	

Identify your True Colours. Now total the columns, including the card points. Your highest score indicates your primary or brightest colour. The lowest score represents the colour that is least like you.

### **TRUE COLOURS**

#### ORANGE

#### What's great about me?

I value freedom and excitement. I think that being skillful is more important that structure, logic, and feelings. I like being spontaneous and I want to enjoy what I am doing. Planning things sometimes takes the fun out of it. I like games and competition. I also like to learn things that I can go out right away and put to use.

#### GOLD

#### What's great about me?

I value the traditional things in life. I am practical and I like structure. Being responsible and following the rules is more important than excitement and feelings. I like family life, saving money, and I plan to really make something of myself. I like to belong to groups and want to help make them run smoothly. I enjoy learning about things that are useful to me.

#### GREEN

#### What's great about me?

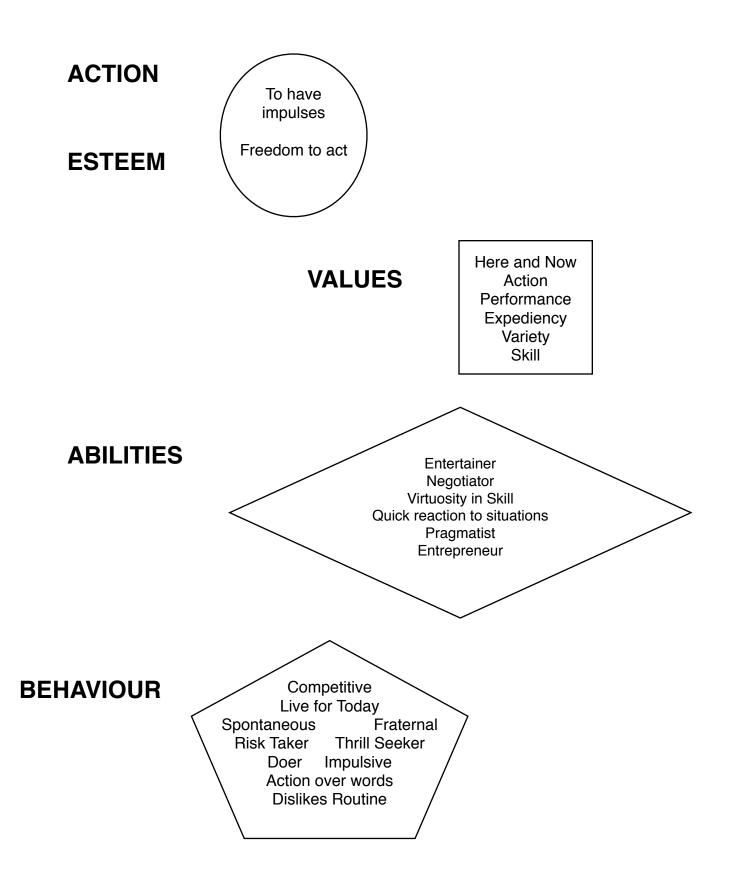
I value knowledge and new ideas. Discovering solutions and using my brains are more important than feelings, rules and non-stop excitement. I like to know how and why things work in a certain way. I prefer to work on my own and also need room to think so I can come up with new ideas and the right answers.

#### BLUE

#### What's great about me?

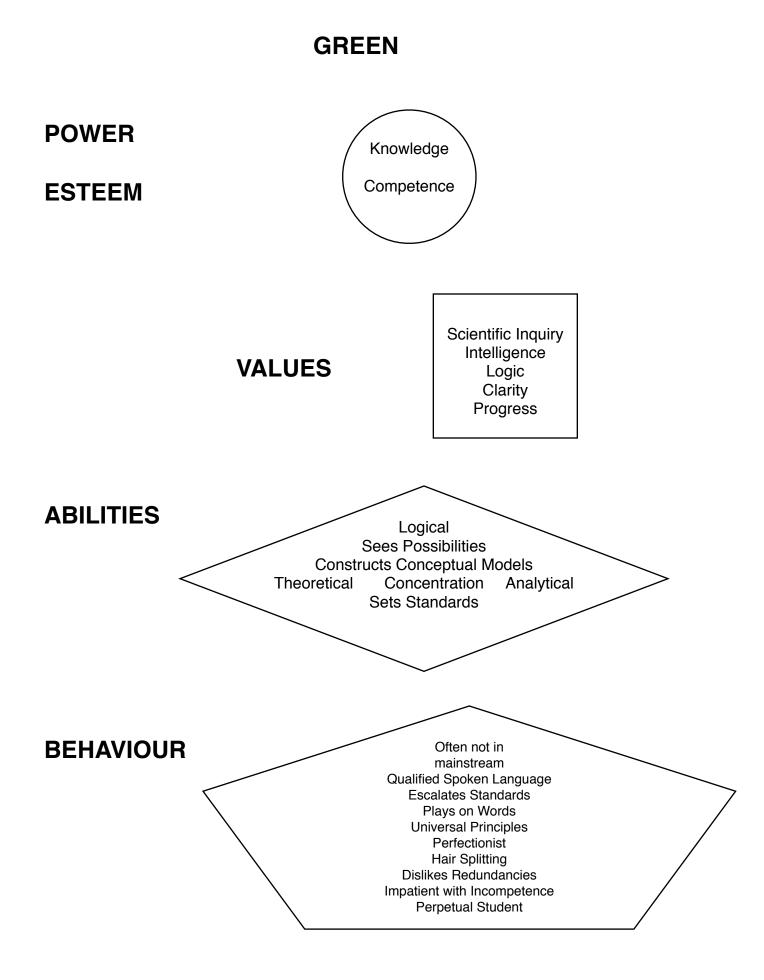
I value people. Being liked and having everyone around me getting along is more important than are facts, rules, adventure or logic. I am sensitive to others and become uncomfortable when there is conflict or competition. I like to socialize and to work with people. I learn best when people care about me and they give me support and feedback.

## ORANGE



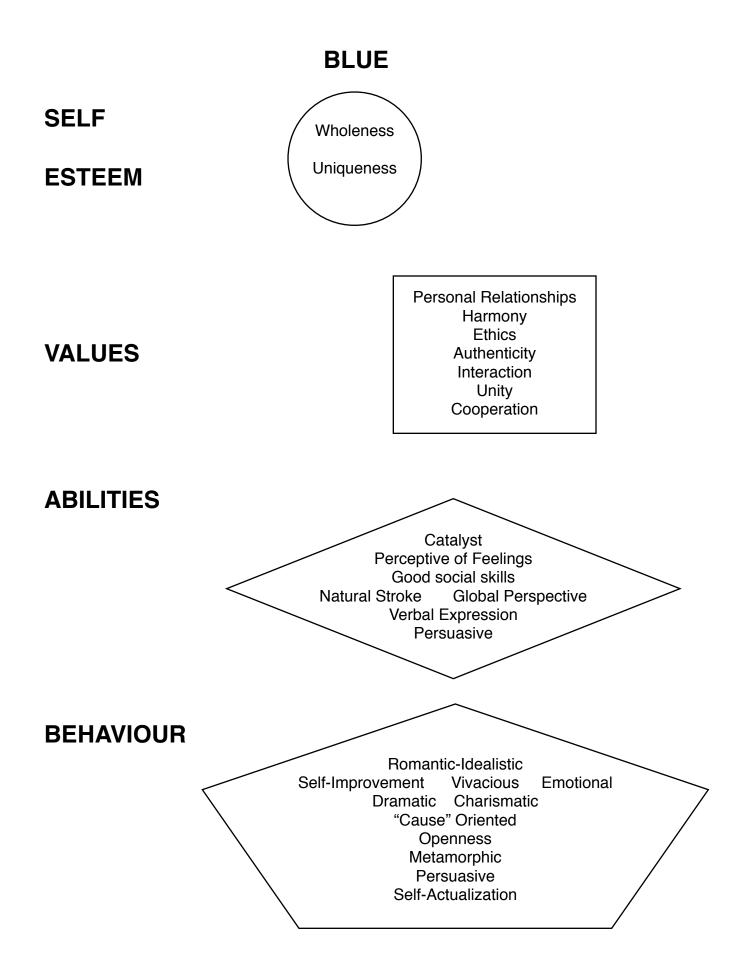
# ORANGE

QUEST	VARIATION & IMPACT
MOTTO - "DOING"	EAT, DRINK & BE MERRY
VALUES	FREEDOM, RISK-TAKING, SPONTANEITY, ACTION, PRAGMATISM
STRENGTHS	NEGOTIATION, TROUBLESHOOTING, ADVENTUROUS, PERFORMING, CREATING
STRESSORS	RESTRICTIONS, BEING ALONE, BOREDOM, ROUTINE, TOO MANY RULES



## GREEN

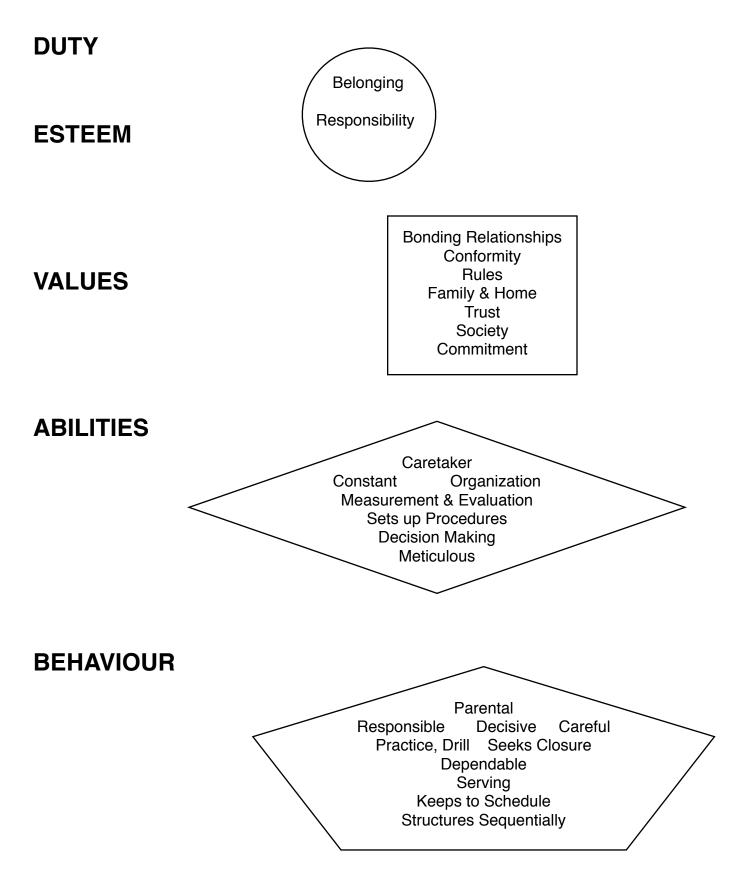
QUEST	KNOWLEDGE & COMPETENCE
MOTTO - "KNOWING"	BE EXCELLENT IN ALL THINGS
VALUES	CURIOSITY, LOGIC, PLANNING, INNOVATIVE IDEAS, CONTROL, INFORMATION
STRENGTHS	RESEARCHING, CONCEPTUALIZING, STRATEGIZING, PROBLEM- SOLVING, INDIVIDUALISM
STRESSORS	INCOMPETENCE, POWERLESSNESS, ROUTINE, WAITING FOR OTHERS



# BLUE

QUEST	SELF-REALIZATION & INTEGRITY
MOTTO - "BECOMING"	TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE
VALUES	AUTHENTICITY, INTIMATE HUMAN RELATIONSHIPS, HARMONY, NURTURING CONTROL, INFORMATION
STRENGTHS	CATALYST, GOOD COMMUNICATOR, EMPOWERS OTHERS, INTUITION, OPTIMISM
STRESSORS	INSINCERITY, BETRAYAL, CONFLICTS, RULES MORE IMPORTANT THAN PEOPLE

## GOLD



# GOLD

QUEST	RESPONSIBILITY & STABILITY
MOTTO - "SERVING"	EARLY TO BED, EARLY TO RISE
VALUES	ORDER, TRADITION, RITUALS, BELONGING, SECURITY, DUTY
STRENGTHS	TAKING ON RESPONSIBILITY, TEAM PLAYER, GIVING, TANGIBLE APPRECIATIONS, STRONG SENSE OF FAIR PLAY
STRESSORS	DISORGANIZATION, DISOBEDIENCE, UNCLEAR DIRECTIONS, ABANDONMENT

# **IMPROVING PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS**

### With a Bright Green By

- · Recognizing their need for independence
- · Valuing their abstract thinking
- · Allowing them their privacy to think and to read
- · Accepting their lack of romantic gestures
- · Realizing their stress comes from fear of appearing foolish
- Allowing them to be self-critical
- · Understanding that they esteem themselves by being competent
- Praising their ingenuity

### With a Bright Blue By

- Making romantic gestures
- · Having intimate talks
- Recognizing their need to contribute
- Providing the warm touch and embrace
- Reassuring your loving commitment
- Expressing your feelings
- · Being open and responsive

### With a Bright Orange By

- · Recognizing their need for freedom
- · Valuing their playfulness
- · Helping them to think before they act
- Spontaneously playing with them
- · Realizing their stress comes from lack of excitement
- Reinforcing their optimism
- · Praising their skills
- · Responding to their generosity

### With a Bright Gold By

- · Caring about their need for security
- · Doing some reasonable planning
- · Praising their responsible actions
- Remembering sentimental moments
- · Acknowledging their stability
- · Responding to important dates

### **IMPROVING JOB PERFORMANCES**

#### Of a Bright Green By

- Assigning projects which require analytical thinking and problem-solving
- Discussing your 'big picture' with them and eliciting their universal outlook
- · Inspiring them with your futuristic ideas and potentialities
- · Respecting their inclination to go beyond the established rules of the system
- Taking their ideas to the next step and encouraging them to think independently
- · Praising their inventiveness and their ingenuity
- · Understanding their need to avoid redundancy and repetitive tasks
- · Recognizing and appreciating their competence in the job

### Of a Bright Blue By

- · Creating a warm and personal working atmosphere
- · Interacting as much as possible with openness and honesty
- · Establishing a harmonious working environment and avoiding conflict and hostility
- Showing your support, caring and appreciation by offering a touch, a hug, or a handshake
- Allowing them the freedom to express feelings and the time to heal emotional wounds
- Making use of their natural gifts for communication, nurturing and people-oriented ideas
- · Praising their imaginative and creative approach to the job
- Providing them with one-on-one feedback

### Of a Bright Orange By

- · Assigning projects which are action-packed and which require a hands-on approach
- · Providing opportunities to be skillful and adventurous
- · Using their natural abilities as a negotiator
- · Allowing them the freedom to do the job in their own style and in non-traditional ways
- Keeping a good sense of humour and avoiding boredom while on the job
- · Encouraging them to use their gifts and originality of flair
- · Providing opportunities for job competition
- · Allowing freedom of movement and understanding their preference for action over words
- · Praising their performance and skillfulness while on the job

### Of a Bright Gold by

- · Assigning work which requires detailed planning and careful follow-through
- · Defining tasks in clear and concrete terms
- · Being punctual and reliable
- · Providing a well-structured, stable work environment by avoiding abrupt changes
- Giving standard rules and regulations and setting a good example
- · Sharing the responsibilities and duties of the work place and by taking the work ethic seriously
- · Praising their neatness, organizational capabilities and efficiency
- Giving feedback every step of the way on any project to reassure them that they are on the right track
- Recognizing their need to be straightforward, dependable, responsible, and business-minded
- · Giving tangible recognition for their work

### WHAT TO LOOK FOR WHEN YOU ARE OUT OF ESTEEM

There are certain symptoms you can look for when you are having a bad day - chances are you are either out (or running out) of esteem. You can learn to recognize these characteristics, which are generally related to your particular colour grouping.

### **GREEN:**

Indecisiveness Refusal to comply or cooperate Extreme aloofness and withdrawal Snobbish, put-down remarks and sarcasm Refusal to communicate; the silent treatment Perfectionism due to severe performance anxiety Highly critical attitudes towards yourself and others

#### BLUE:

Attention-getting behaviour Lying to save face Withdrawal Fantasy, day-dreaming, trancing out Crying and depression Passive resistance Yelling and screaming

### ORANGE:

Rudeness and defiance Breaking the rules intentionally Running away and dropping out Using stimulants Acting out boisterously Lying and cheating Physical aggressiveness

### GOLD:

Complaining and self-pity Anxiety and worry Depression and fatigue Psychosomatic problems Malicious judgments about yourself or others Herd mentality - blind following of leaders Authoritarianism and phobic reactions