Temperaments and Transitions

Communicate Change

Artisan

- Practical information about the change.
- An opportunity to give input about how things are right now.
- A clear picture of how actions will lead to outcomes.
- Opportunities to act while the change is being planned.
- Something to do right away.
- Concrete actions resulting in practical benefits.
- Practical applications for the change.
- A chance to maneuver and adapt.
- Flexibility and options designed into the change.
- A chance to troubleshoot problems as the change is being implemented.

Guardian

- A chance to share their experiences about what has already been tried.
- Opportunities to preserve what works well now.
- Practical, realistic reasons for and benefits of the change supported by data.
- A clear, concrete picture of what the new reality will look like.
- A solid link between the current and proposed realities.
- A step-by-step plan with details on how to implement the change.
- Clear roles and expectations within the change process.
- Incremental change anchored by current realities.
- A clearly defined plan with measurable outcomes and time frames.
- A sense of belonging and identity throughout the change.

Rational

- A vision and model for the change.
- An overview of a strategic path forward.
- Logical reasons for the change.
- A definitive purpose and goals to be achieved through the change.
- A clear rationale for the direction chosen.
- Analysis of possible directions and options.
- Long-term and global benefits of the change.
- Opportunities to conceptualize and strategize the change.
- A sense of competence and task mastery.
- Independence with opportunities to modify and improve the plan.

Idealist

- A vision of an ideal, improved state.
- Alignment of the vision with their personal values.
- Meaningful purposes for changes.
- Knowledge of how the change will make things better for people.
- Possibilities and opportunities for people to develop.
- Consideration for the effects of the change on the individuals involved.
- Mechanisms in place to help people navigate the change.
- Chances to grieve for and deal with what is being left behind.
- General direction rather than specific steps for change.
- Minimal disruption in organizational atmosphere and morale.

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Temperaments and Approach to Change

Artisan/Improviser (SP)

- Want something to do right away.
- Need freedom, flexibility and a chance to demonstrate tactical competence as they maneuver and adapt.
- Share practical information about the change and how it will benefit them
- Their talent can be in troubleshooting problems as the change is being implemented.

Rational/Theorist (NT)

- Want a vision and model for the change.
- Need a sense of competence and task mastery with independence and opportunities to modify and improve the plan.
- Share long-term and global benefits of the change and a clear rationale for the direction chosen.
- Their Talent can be in analysing possible directions and options, conceptualising, and strategising around the change.

Guardian/Stabilizer (SJ)

- Want a chance to share their experiences about what has already been tried.
- Need clear roles and expectations within the change process and a sense of belonging and identity throughout the change.
- **Share** a step-by-step plan with details on how to implement the change.
- Their talent can be in creating a clear, concrete process for Incremental change anchored by current realities.

Idealist/Catalyst (NF)

- Want alignment of the vision with their personal values.
- Need a meaningful purpose for any change and knowledge of how the change will make things better for themselves and others.
- Share general direction rather than specific steps for change with possibilities and opportunities for people to develop.
- Their Talent can be in motivating team members and building bridges between disparate points of view during the change process.