

Communication Style Identification Chart

As completely as possible, describe your own communication manner and style in the categories listed in the table below.

In the third column, indicate whether each personal characteristic might have a positive or negative effect on an individual with a communication disorder.

Based on your answers, determine what changes you might make that would have a positive effect on the other person's interactions with you in learning, working, or social interactions.

Communication manner and style characteristics	Description of your personal characteristics	[+] or [-]
Average rate of speech		
Typical length and complexity of your sentences		
Use of sarcasm, humor, or implicature		
Word choice: simple, difficult, technical		
Attentiveness to people during conversations		
Organization of conversations		
Use of hand and body gestures		
Use of objects to help make explanations		
Manner of responding to questions others ask you		
Manner of giving directions or instructions		
Patience while waiting for someone else to talk or answer		
Ability to understand communication efforts		