Buyer's Agent Team Coaching™

Session 17

Behavioral Selling Strategies to Increase Sales



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OBJECTIVES

During this session you will:

- Understand your behavioral style
- Learn the truths of behavioral selling
- Learn to recognize your prospect's behavior style over the phone and in person
- Discover how to adapt your style to your prospects' to put them at ease

THREE TRUTHS OF BEHAVIORAL SELLING

Three truths of behavioral selling

- 1. People tend to buy from salespeople who have behavioral styles similar to their own.
- 2. Salespeople tend to sell to customers who have a behavioral style similar to their own.
- 3. Salespeople who understand their behavioral style and are able to adapt or blend with the prospect's style will dramatically increase their sales.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR BEHAVIORAL STYLE

• D = Dominance – Challenge:

How you respond to problems and challenges.

• I = Influence - Contact

How you influence others to your point of view.

• S = Steadiness – Consistency

How you respond to the pace around you.

• C = Compliance – Constraints

How you respond to rules and procedures set by others.

Percentages:

- 18% of the world's population is Dominant
- 24% of the world's population is Influencer
- 40% of the world's population is Steady
- 14% of the world's population is Compliant

DISC STYLES DOMINANT INFLUENCER STEADY COMPLIANT

USING YOUR NATURAL BEHAVIORAL STYLE TO INCREASE SALES

| Adapting your behavioral style: |
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| Work on connecting behaviorally with the prospect. |
| Make the presentation in the behavioral style of the prospect. |
| Review the charts before you go on your listing presentations. |
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| Controlling your natural tendencies: |
| Awareness |
| Recognize your amalgams of behavioral styles (Primary and secondary styles) |
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D

Behavioral Selling Skills

D

Dominant/Driver/Choleric (Using DISC Model)

Dominant

Step A: Know Yourself: "D" Salesperson

- Results oriented
- Wants to close fast
- Argumentative
- May try to overpower the person
- Likes to win
- May not follow up properly
- May be unprepared
- Can handle several customers at once

Step B: Read the Person You are Speaking With:

Extroverted: Introverted:
Friendly – I Cooperative – S
Direct – D Analytical - C

Behavioral Style Match (BSM):

1 – Excellent 3 – Fair 2 – Good 4 – Poor

Step C: Use This Chart When You Are Selling To:

"D" BSM - 2

"D" is looking for: RESULTS

- Be direct
- Give alternatives
- Make sure you let them win (make sure you win, too)
- Disagree with facts
- Enjoy the "combat" (good match)
- Don't try to build a friendship
- Do not dictate to them
- Move quickly; they decide fast
- Do not try to overpower them

"S" BSM - 3

"S" is looking for: SECURITY

- Slow down the presentation
- Build trust
- People focus
- Give them the facts they need
- Logical presentation
- Get "little" agreements
- Listen carefully
- Show sincerity in presentation
- Don't control or dominate
- Do not close fast

"I" BSM - 2

"I" is looking for: THE EXPERIENCE

- Be personal, friendly
- Slow down, take time
- Joke around and have fun
- Allow them to talk
- Provide recognition
- Don't talk down to them
- Talk about people
- Follow up often

"C" BSM - 4

"C" is looking for: INFORMATION

- Give them data
- Do not touch
- Be patient, slow
- Use flyers with data
- Give more info then you'd like
- Keep control
- Do not talk personally
- Do not be pushy

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Influencer/Expressive/Sanguine (Using DISC Model)

Influencer

Step A: Know Yourself: "I" Salesperson

- Social
- People-oriented lack of attention to detail
- May over-promise
- May be "too talkative"
- May close too slowly, or not at all
- Enthusiastic
- Wordy, non-logical presentation

Step B: Read the Person You are Speaking With:

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Direct – D Analytical - C

Behavioral Style Match (BSM):

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Step C: Use This Chart When You Are Selling To:

"D" BSM - 2

"D" is looking for: RESULTS

- Do not touch
- Stay business-like
- Be direct and to the point
- Do not over-promise
- Do not joke
- Let them win (you win also)
- Confidently close, not allowing them to overpower you

"S" BSM - 3

"S" is looking for: SECURITY

- Give them the facts
- Slow down
- Be friendly, personal and earn their trust
- Provide assurances of your promises
- Get "little" agreements
- Let them talk; you ask questions
- Take necessary time before closing
- Follow up after the sale

"I" BSM - 2

"I" is looking for: THE EXPERIENCE

- Have fun
- Don't waste too much time talking
- Make sure you close
- Give them the recognition
- Let them talk more than you

"C" BSM - 4

"C" is looking for: INFORMATION

- Keep your distance
- Do not touch
- Give them facts, figures, and proof
- Do not waste time
- Do not be personal
- Be friendly and direct
- Answer all questions, then close
- Be concerned with details

S Behavioral Selling Skills

S

Steadiness/Amiable/Phlegmatic (Using DISC Model)

Steadiness

Step A: Know Yourself: "S" Salesperson

- Natural salesperson, personable
- Steady and dependable
- Easily discouraged, low confidence
- Great on follow-through (may over service)
- May give away money under pressure
- May over use facts
- May wait too long to close

Step B: Read the Person You are Speaking With:

Extroverted: Introverted: Friendly – I Cooperative – S Direct – D Analytical - C

Behavioral Style Match (BSM):

1 – Excellent 3 – Fair 2 – Good 4 – Poor

Step C: Use This Chart When You Are Selling To:

"D" BSM - 3

"D" is looking for: RESULTS

- Be confident; don't be intimidated
- Close sooner than normal
- Disagree with facts, not person
- Do not be overpowered by them
- Let them win (you win too)
- Move faster than normal
- Come on a strong as "D" is, but friendly

"S" BSM - 1

"S" is looking for: SECURITY

- Give them the facts
- Provide the assurances they need
- Be yourself
- Close when you feel you have their trust
- Assure them of the right direction
- Introduce them to managers, service managers, etc.
- Follow up after the sale

"I" BSM - 2

"I" is looking for: THE EXPERIENCE

- Allow them to talk, but keep focus
- Minimal product knowledge
- Provide follow-up
- Give recognition
- Listen to their stories
- Have fun with them
- "Jump" to close when ready

"C" BSM - 1

"C" is looking for: INFORMATION

- Answer questions with facts
- Do not be too personal
- Be direct and friendly
- Do not touch
- Give them their space
- Do not fear their skeptical nature
- Follow through on details
- Give information, then close

C

Behavioral Selling Skills

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BSM - 1

Compliant/Analytical/Melancholic (Using DISC Model)

Compliance

Step A: Know Yourself: "S" Salesperson

- Knows data
- May over use data, over-evaluate
- Needs more enthusiasm
- May have trouble selling products below their own standards
- Well organized
- Good service
- Analysis paralysis

Step B: Read the Person You are Speaking With:

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Behavioral Style Match (BSM):

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Step C: Use This Chart When You Are Selling To:

"D"

BSM - 4

"D" is looking for: RESULTS

- Touch upon high points of facts and figures
- Do not "over-data"
- Move quickly
- Be brief, to the point
- Satisfy their strong ego
- Allow them to "win" (you win, too)

"S"

"S" is looking for: SECURITY

- Move slowly
- Provide facts and figures
- Do no over-control, be too pushy
- Provide assurances
- Develop trust
- Focus on reliability and service
- Personal talk allowed

"I" BSM - 4

"I" is looking for: THE EXPERIENCE

- People focus, friendly and fun
- Listen to them as they talk
- Ask questions
- Show excitement about products
- Close earlier than normal

"C" BSM - 1

"C" is looking for: INFORMATION

- Give data
- Remain in control
- Examine positives and negatives
- Close earlier than you would expect
- Follow through on promises
- Provide evidence

RECOGNIZING A PROSPECT'S BEHAVIORAL STYLE

| Over the phone | :: | | |
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Keying in on the tonality:

| Behavioral Style | Tone of Voice |
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| Dominant | Strong, loud, clear, direct, confident |
| Influencer | High and low modulation, warmth or friendliness, enthusiasm, energy level is high |
| Steady | Soft, warm, low volume, steady pace |
| Compliant | Direct, deep questioning, low modulation, controlled, thoughtful |

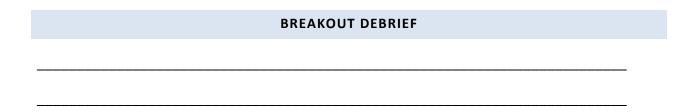
Listen for the clues:

| Behavioral Style | Words and Content |
|------------------|--|
| Dominant | Win, new, challenge, results, now, lead the field, compete |
| Influencer | Cutting edge, exciting, fun, make me look good, I feel |
| Steady | Guarantee, promise, commitment, service, step-by-step, help me out |
| Compliant | Proven, standardized, no risk, analysis, due diligence, here are the facts |

BREAKOUT SESSION

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Centering on an initial prospecting contact to a prospect, choose the behavioral style most unlike you and assign that style to the agent who will be role-playing with you. Your goal is to set an appointment.



ACTION PLANS – WEEK 17

- 1. Watch at least two interview shows this week. Watch for behavioral style.
- 2. Focus on behavioral style on each call.
- 3. Put up your chart and key words at your call station.