Communication		PASSIVE-		
Styles \Rightarrow	PASSIVE	AGGRESSIVE	AGGRESSIVE	ASSERTIVE
Descriptive Characteristics	 No respect for your own rights, respect only for others' Indirect Dishonest Unclear Never say "no" Peace at any price Avoid stating needs, feelings, opinions, and making decisions Make excuses 	 No respect for anyone's rights Punishing in a sneaky way Indirect Dishonest Hostile Hypocritical Evades issues Vengeful Manipulative Double message 	 Respect for only your rights, no respect for others' Argumentative Hostile Selfish Hurtful Domineering Threatening Direct 	 Respect both your rights, and the rights of others Direct Clear Honest Sincere Responsible for own actions
Non-Verbal & Verbal Aspects	 Avoid eye contact Apologetic Slouched posture Distancing Withdrawing Mumbling Hesitant speech Low voice tone Avoid subject by becoming busy 	 Poor eye contact Isolating posture Flip Sarcastic Ignoring Rolling of eyes 	 Stare-down Tense body and movements Loud voice/yelling Threatening gestures Finger pointing Physical You statements 	 Appropriate eye contact Relaxed posture and movements Comfortable voice tone I statements
How Sender Feels	 Angry at outcome Victim Taken for granted Resentful Hurt Guilty Low Self-esteem 	 "Gotcha" Superior May be discontent with outcome 	 Self-righteous Important Possibly guilty because of violating others' rights Possibly isolated 	 Respects self Confident Secure Positive self-esteem
How Receiver Feels Implications to	 Can take advantage of sender Frustrated Angry at taking all the responsibility Pitying Avoid sender My feelings aren't 	 Frustrated Angry Devastated Betrayed Confused Resentful Avoid sender I think I matter 	 Hurt Embarrassed Angry Revengeful Belittled Resentful Insecure Avoid sender Your feelings are not 	 Respected Understood Understands Trustful Possibly frustrated because can't get own way We are both important
Others ~ What your actions say to others	importantI don't matterI am inferior	 I think I am superior Only my feelings matter, but I will make you think yours do 	 important You don't matter I know I am superior 	 We both matter I think we are equal