

Ask these questions

On a scale of 1 to 10,
whereby 10 is “I totally agree” and 1 is “I totally disagree”

- It is easy for me to ask someone to do something
- I do not like to disagree with people
- I find it easy to voice my own opinion
- I do not like saying no
- When someone offers me something I find it easy to say yes immediately
- If I disagree with my boss at a meeting, I would not say so
- If I make a mistake, I am happy to admit it to others
- It is important to give valuable presents to business partners



FACE

Face

- Concern for self = self-face
- Concern for others = other face
- Concern for self and others = mutual face

- We can lose face, save face, give face, restore face, honour face

- Face is the image we like to have of ourselves

Face by e-mail

Dear Mr Bond

I need your help. Can you please write a reference for me, this is very urgent. You can send it by email or I can come to your office this week.

Thanks and best regards

Good afternoon!
I am really
interested in your
job offer,
attached my cv.
Best wishes

Dear Greg

I hope this e-mail finds you well ...

Dear Mr Bond

I am writing to inquire whether it might be possible to change our plans for our meeting next week. I appreciate that this may not be possible for you, and I am very sorry for any inconvenience I may be causing.

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Thank you so much for your time, and once again, my apologies.

An alle ...

wir starten eine Umfrage für ein Projekt, bei dem wir Eure/Ihre Hilfe gebrauchen könnten. Es handelt sich um einige wenige Fragen.

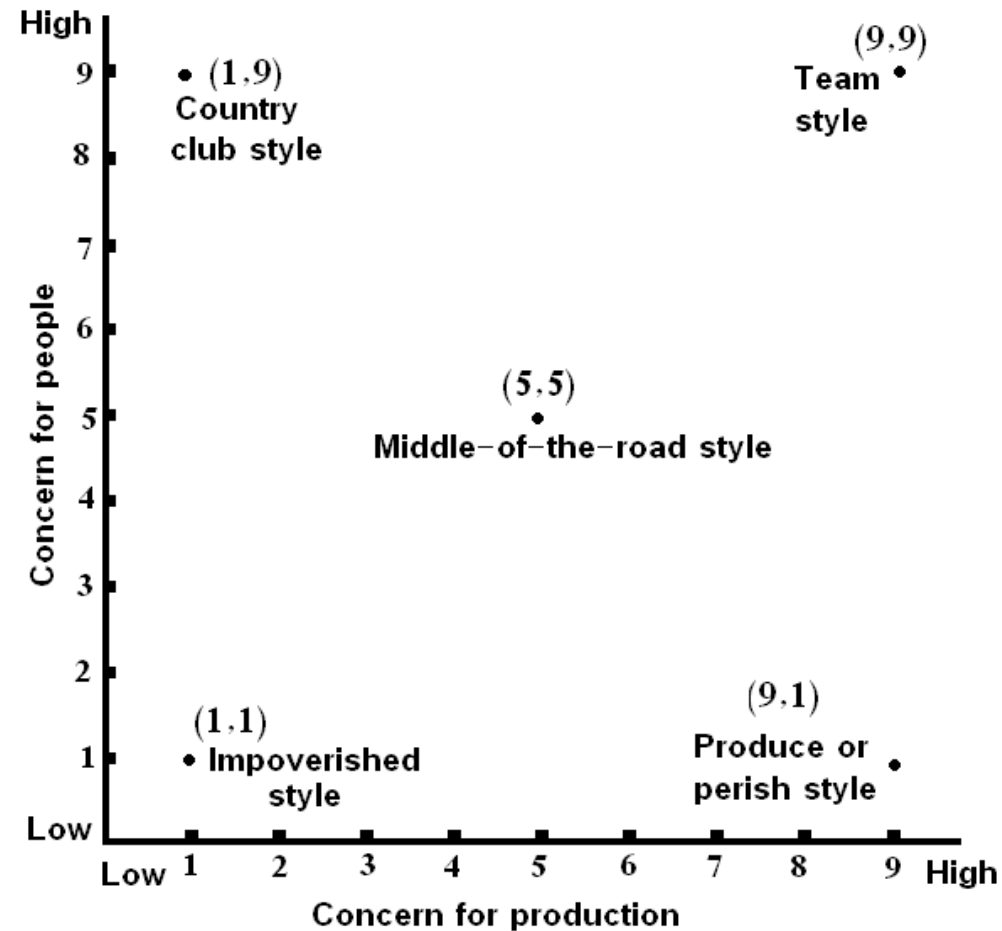
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Vielen Dank! Und wir hoffen auf eine rege Beteiligung.

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The Managerial Grid

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Thomas-Kilmann Conflict Mode instrument

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Assertiveness ... cooperativeness

Five styles of conflict:

Forcing (assertive, uncooperative)

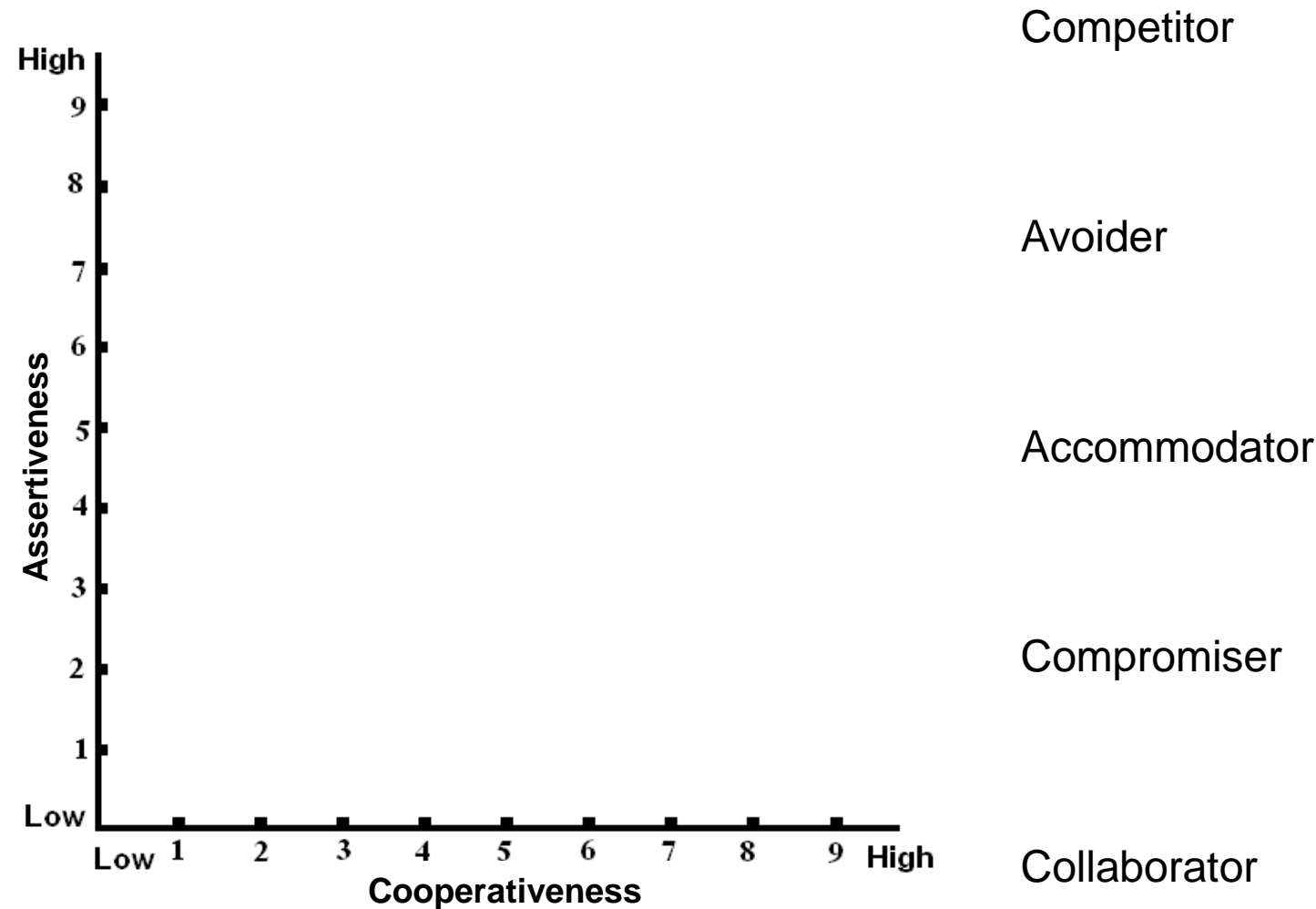
Avoiding (unassertive, uncooperative)

Accommodating (unassertive, cooperative)

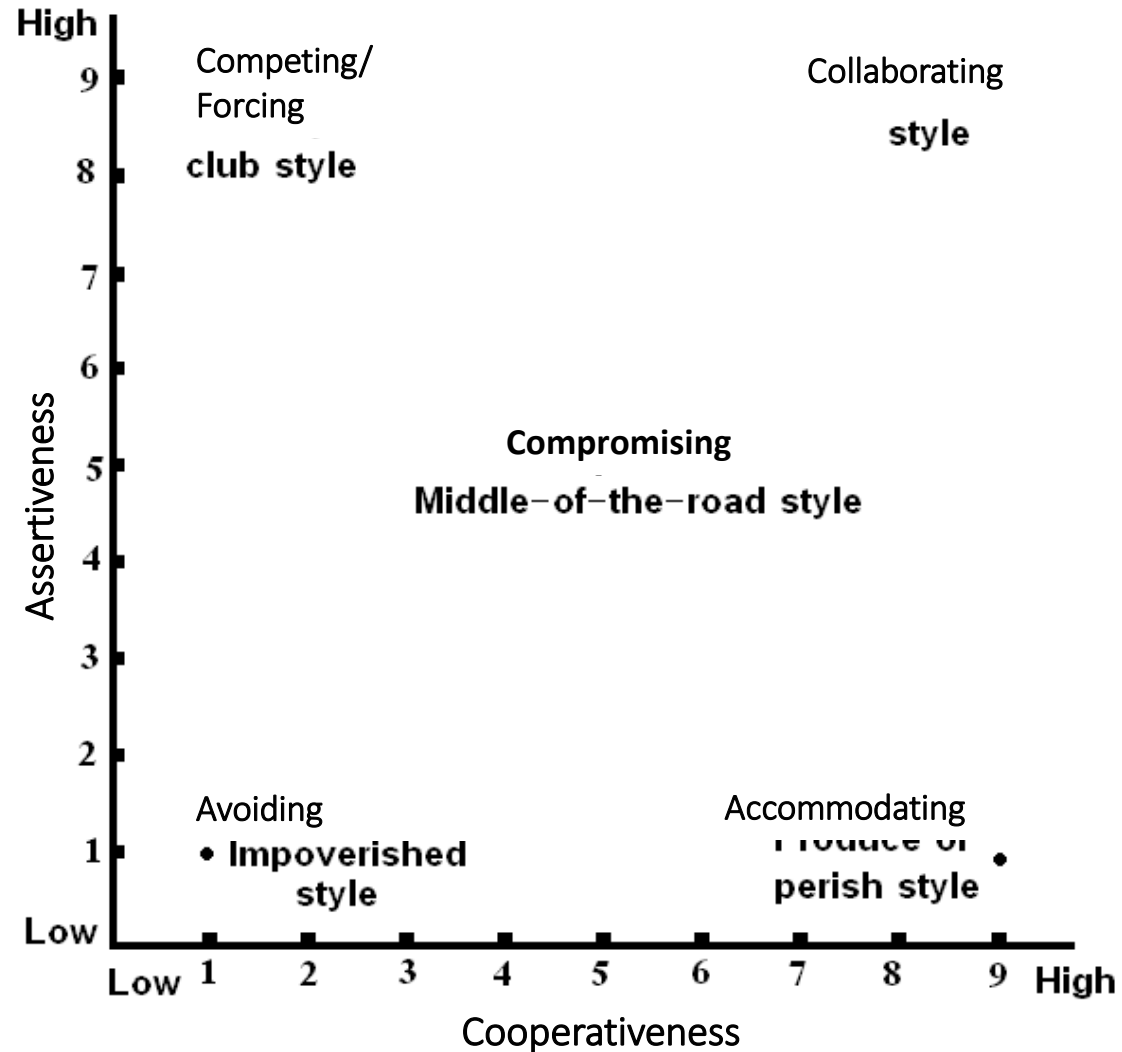
Compromising (intermediate assertiveness and cooperativeness)

Collaborating (assertive, cooperative)

Conflict Styles Grid



The Conflict Styles Managerial Grid



Conflict Styles and Culture

Are there cultural factors in how we deal with conflict?

Talk about your own experience ...

Can this relate to face – and levels of assertiveness and cooperation?

Can the five negotiation and conflict styles be related to culture?

Literature

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