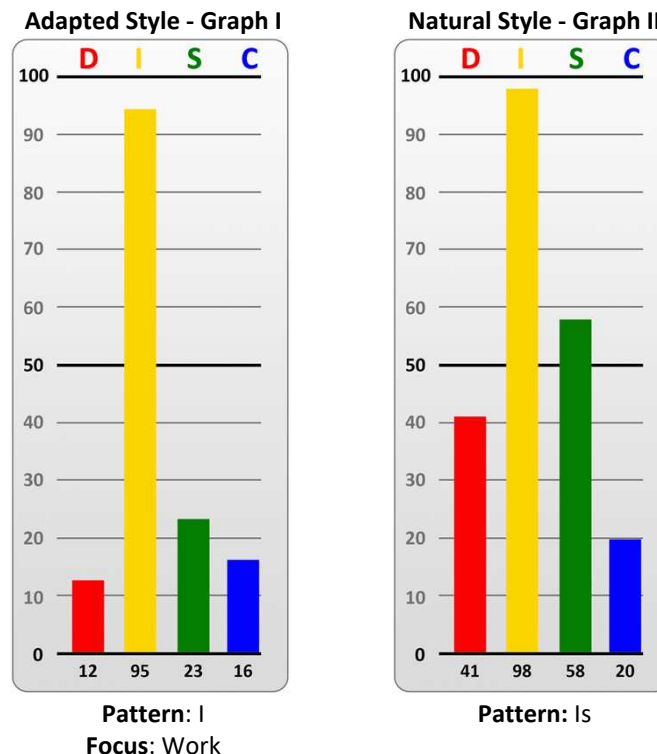


## DISCstyles Graphs for Tim Baker

Your Adapted Style indicates you tend to use the behavioral traits of the I style(s) in your selected Work focus. Your Natural Style indicates that you naturally tend to use the behavioral traits of the Is style(s).

Your Adapted Style is your graph displayed on the left. It is **your perception of the behavioral tendencies you think you should use in your selected focus** (work, social or family). This graph may change when you change roles or situations. The graph on the right is your Natural Style **and indicates the intensity of your instinctive behaviors and motivators**. It is often a better indicator of the “real you” and your “knee jerk,” instinctive behaviors. This is how you act when you feel comfortable in your home environment and are not attempting to impress. It is also what shows up in stressful situations. This graph tends to be fairly consistent, even in different environments.



If you have scores under 10 or over 90, these are extended scores where the behavior becomes a **need**. If expressing that behavior isn't possible, you'll likely create situations where that *behavioral need* can be met.

If the bars are similar, it means that you tend to use your same natural behaviors in either environment. If your Adapted Style is different from your Natural Style, this may cause stress if over a long period of time. You are then using behaviors that are not as comfortable or natural for you.

The higher or lower each D, I, S, C point is on your graph, the greater or lesser your behavior impacts your results at work and with others around you. Once aware, you can adapt your style to be more effective. Can you change? Of course! You do it every day depending on your situations. However, permanent behavioral change comes only with awareness and practice.

## Communication Tips for Others

*The following suggestions can help others who interact with you understand and be aware of your communication preferences. To use this information effectively, share it with others and also discuss their preferences.*

*Check the two most important ideas when others communicate with you (dos & don'ts) and transfer them to the Summary of Your Style page.*

### **When Communicating with Tim, DO:**

- Break the ice with a brief personal comment.
- Plan to talk about things that support Tim's dreams and goals.
- Plan some extra time in your schedule for talking, relating, and socializing.
- Be certain to conclude the communication with some modes of action and specific next steps for all involved.
- Be candid, open, and patient.
- Put the details in writing, but don't plan on discussing them too much.
- Present your ideas and opinions in a non-threatening way.

### **When Communicating with Tim, DON'T:**

- Be overly task-oriented.
- Let the discussion with Tim get caught in dreams too much, otherwise you'll lose time.
- Leave decisions hanging in the air. Be certain all decision points have reached closure and result in plans for action.
- Offer assurances and guarantees you can't fulfill.
- Be rude or abrupt in your delivery.
- Manipulate or bully Tim into agreeing.
- Leave the idea or plan without backup support.

## Your Motivators: Wants and Needs

*Motivation is the enthusiasm or willingness to do something. Everybody is motivated; however, all people are motivated for their own reasons, not somebody else's. Simply, people are motivated by what they want.*

*Our behaviors are also driven by our needs. Each style has different needs. If one person is stressed, they may need quiet time alone; another may need social time around a lot of people. Each has different ways to meet their needs. The more fully our needs are met, the easier it is to perform at an optimal level.*

*Choose the two most important wants and the two most important needs and transfer them to the Summary of Your Style page.*

### ***You Tend to Be Motivated By:***

- A work culture that is supportive of family activities and commitments.
- Identification with the organization, team, and others with whom a spirit of work responsibility has been established.
- A supervisor, manager, or board who practices a democratic leadership process.
- Projects and assignments that provide interpersonal contact, and an opportunity to help both internal and external stakeholders.
- Evidence that a new process has been successful in similar applications.
- Flexibility to circulate and talk with a variety of people.
- Acceptance as a positive and supportive member of the organization and team.

### ***People With Patterns Like You Tend to Need:***

- More direction toward work tasks, and less focus on chatting and socializing.
- Encouragement to keep the positive spirit and optimism when the pressure is on.
- Detailed delegation of responsibilities, to reduce ambiguity and confusion.
- To be kept in the information loop regarding projects and initiatives within the organization.
- To be more realistic and ambitious in setting deadlines for team projects.
- Increased urgency in decision making.
- A sense of belonging to the team or organization as a whole.

## What You Bring to the Organization

*This page provides useful insights for a job or as you work together on a team or family project. These are the talents and tendencies you bring. When used in environments that you are most effective in, you are likely to be self-motivated to accomplish great things. It is possible that you may not always be in an environment that allows you to be your best. We recommend you speak with your leader to see what can be incorporated into your current environment to help maintain your motivation. Check the two most important strengths, the two most important work style tendencies and the two most important environmental factors and transfer them to the Summary of Your Style page.*

### **Your Strengths:**

- You work hard to achieve the team's goals and objectives.
- You are a good listener.
- Your excellent listening style stands as a model for others to observe and follow.
- Your strong optimism helps motivate the team toward their goals.
- You demonstrate a high degree of patience in working with others.
- You possess a positive sense of humor and never make jokes at the expense of others.
- You are able to build positive relationships with internal and external stakeholders.

### **Your Work Style Tendencies:**

- At work, you tend to have a "long fuse," and are not easily angered, although you may take some of the anger home to vent.
- You are perceived by others on the team as a good listener.
- You tend not to force your own ideas on others with edicts, but rather by offering considered suggestions.
- You meet new people easily and prefer networking with others rather than working in solitary conditions.
- On the job, you tend to say "yes" more often than "no," when asked to help out with a colleague's project or problem.
- You tend to be an excellent "teacher" to peers on the team, at all levels of the organization.
- Your empathetic nature and sensitivity toward people may lead others to seek you out as a coach or counselor, or ask to assist them with a personal or team problem.

### **You Tend to Be Most Effective In Environments That Provide:**

- Clear responsibility and lines of authority to avoid confusion or overlapping initiatives.
- Support and appreciation of your individual efforts.
- A job culture where there is little hostility, confrontation, anger, or pressure.
- Specialized assignments that also involve working and communicating with a variety of people.
- A work culture that allows for your natural interest in helping others learn and grow professionally.
- A balance between some stable, predictable work activities and some variety and change on a regular basis.
- A favorable working climate containing positive attitudes and optimistic spirit.