

Got Rhythm? Conversational Dynamics

COMMON MISCOMMUNICATIONS

If You Do This:	You May Think You Seem:	But You May Seem:	Do I Do This?		
			Usually	Sometimes	Rarely
Speak more quickly or pause more briefly than others	Interesting, energized	Emotionally draining, alienating			
Speak more slowly or pause longer than others prefer	Relaxed, comfortable, thoughtful	Boring, tedious			
Speak more loudly than others	Self-confident, fun, interesting	Bombastic, self- satisfied, offensive			
Speak more softly than others	Demure, socially aware	Shy, lacking in self-confidence, controlling			
Speak much more than others	Interesting, informative	Self-absorbed, difficult to connect with			
Talk longer than others during your turn	Sharing appropriately, interested	Draining, not connecting			
Interrupt others or fail to yield	Interesting, energetic	Uninterested, self- absorbed, controlling			