Conflict Style Questionnaire

Think of two different situations (A and B) where you have a conflict, a disagreement, an argument, or a disappointment with someone, such as a roommate or a work associate. Write the name of the person for each situation below. According to the scale below, fill in your scores for Situation A and Situation B. For each question, you will have two scores. For example, on question 1 the scoring might look like this: 1. $2 \mid 4$

Person A		Person	Person B			
1 = never	2 = seldom	3 = sometimes	4 = often	5 = always		

	Situation A	Situation B	
1.			I avoided being 'put on the spot'; I kept conflicts to myself.
2.			I used my influence to get my ideas accepted.
3.			I usually tried to 'split the difference' in order to resolve the issue.
4.			I generally tried to satisfy to others' needs.
5.			I tried to investigate the issue to find a solution acceptable to both of us.
6.			I usually avoided open discussion of my differences with the other.
7.			I used my authority to make a decision in my favor.
8.			I tried to find a middle course to resolve an impasse.
9.			I usually accommodated the others' wishes.
10.			I tried to integrate my ideas with the other's to come up with a decision jointly.
11.			I tried to stay away from my disagreement with the other.
12.			I used my expertise to make a decision that favors me.
13.			I proposed a middle ground for breaking deadlocks.
14.			I gave in to the other's wishes.
15.			I tried to work with the other to find solutions that satisfy both our expectations.
16.			I tried to keep my disagreement to myself in order to avoid hard feelings.
17.			I generally pursued my side of an issue.
18.			I negotiated with the other to reach a compromise.
19.			I often went with the other's suggestions.
20.	· 	·	I exchanged accurate information with the other so we can solve a problem together.
21.			I tried to avoid unpleasant exchanges with the other.
22.	· 	·	I sometimes used my power to win.
23.			I used 'give and take' so that a compromise could be made.
24.	· 	·	I tried to satisfy the other's expectations.
25.			I tried to bring all our concerns out in the open so that issues could be resolved.

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Scoring Key

Add up your scores on the following questions

	\mathbf{A}	В		A	В		\mathbf{A}	В		A	В		A	В
1.			2.			3.			4.			5.		
6.			7.		_	8.			9.			10.		
11.			12.			13.			14.			15.		
16.			17.			18.			19.			20.		
21.			22.			23.			24.			25.		
total			total			total			total			total		
_	A	В	-	A	В	•	A	В	_	A	В		A	В
	Avoidance totals			Comp			Compromise totals		Accommodation totals			Collaboration totals		

Scoring interpretation

This questionnaire is designed to identify your conflict style and examine how it varies in different contexts or relationships. By comparing your total scores for the different styles, you can discover which conflict style you rely most heavily upon and which style you use the least. Furthermore, by comparing your scores for Situation A and Situation B, you can determine how your style varies or stays the same in different relationships. Your scores on this questionnaire are indicative of how you responded to a particular conflict at a specific time and therefore might change if you selected a different conflict or a different conflict period. The Conflict Style Questionnaire is not a personality test that labels or categorizes you; rather, it attempts to give you a sense of your more dominant and less dominant conflict styles.

Scores from 21 to 25 are representative of a very strong style.

Scores from 16 to 20 are representative of a strong style.

Scores from 11 to 15 are representative of an average style.

Scores from 6 to 10 are representative of a weak style.

Scores from 0 to 5 are representative of a very weak style.