

Edward Uses His Personality Strengths Assessment (PSA)© To Get His Best Collaborative Divorce

Edward, too, has given permission for his attorney and financial consultant to see his PSA© to help get the best collaborative divorce.

Personality Strength	Edward's Rank in US Population	Edward's thoughts about how he wants his attorney, financial consultant and communications consult to help him as he gets his collaborative divorce
1. Dominance and	99%	This is my divorce. My attorney works for me. She advises me but does not tell me what to do. I make the all decisions.
2. Political Value	99%	I am very powerful. My attorney knows more about divorce than I do. But I can advise my attorney on a lot of other subjects.
3. Social Interest/Sociability + 4. Exhibition + 5. General Activity/Energy Level + 6. Sexuality + 7. Social Boldness	99% 98% 98% 98% 95%	I may want to date. If I do I need for my attorney to keep that confidential. All of these personality strengths tell me that it would be difficult for me to go for very long without seeing a woman.
8. Restraint/Seriousness	95%	My attorney asked what my wife would do to my financial offer if she thought I were dating. I need to think about whether or not I still want to consider dating.
9. Economic Value and 10. Achievement 11. Ability to Ask for Help	91% 90% 85%	I can ask for help. My attorney suggests that I listen carefully to our financial consultant. Ok. Then I can go back to working hard and making money. And let my attorney and our financial planner put together financial settlement options.
13. Endurance	80%	When my attorney brought me a financial settlement that she put together after working with the financial consultant, I thought, "I'll hold out for a better one." Then she reminded me that my kids are 8 and 10. We've got a lot of years for her to look after the kids. And she wants to go to college. Then go to work. That's a long haul – but I can do it.
12. Friendliness/Agreeableness	80%	I looked at the financial settlement again. She reminded me that my wife influences my kids a lot. I may want her to be happy with her settlement, too.
14. Theoretical Value	55%	I like to consider a lot of options, so show I asked our financial consultant to show me a lot of them. Explain the advantages and disadvantages of each one.
15. Objectivity 16. Thoughtfulness/ /Reflectiveness 17. Traditional Male View	50% 50% 50%	This is a balance of: Giving value to facts and feelings + Thinking and being spontaneous + Wanting what is good for men and women. These balances help me consider what is good for each family member.

18. Aggression	45%	I am Dominant but not forceful (Aggression). I listen (Deference), + can negotiate since I am lower than average in needing in needing to make and carry out decisions alone (Autonomy).
19. Deference	45%	
20. Autonomy	40%	
21. Cooperativeness	40%	I am careful about what I need in place before I agree to anything.
22. Optimism	40%	I may expect results before they have time to happen. So remind me when it is too early to have a result I want now. I know that this will go back up after this turmoil is over.
23. Social Value	35%	Right now I focus on making a lot of money to fund all of this.
24. Nurturance	20%	As I spend more time with the kids this will go up. And I will ask our communications consultant for help about how to nurture kids.
25. Order	20%	I have other priorities. I need you to hand me everything beautifully organized so that I get your point immediately.
26. Tendency to Read Feelings	16%	This will also go up as I spend more time with the kids. I'll bet our communications consultant can give me some coaching here, too. Ok.
27. Aesthetic Value (Harmony)	15%	My kids don't fight much so I don't need to be good at this anyway.
28. Affiliation	15%	I might want to coach a team to get to know the parents and my kids' friends better.
29. Change	14%	As I spend more time with the kids this could go up.
30. Religious Value	5%	Kids need to learn right and wrong. I may take them to church.
31. Feelings of Guilt	1%	Rather than focus on guilt I can ask, "What can I learn here that will help me get better results next time?"
32. Feelings of Inferiority	1%	There are not very helpful anyway. What insights can you offer me here?

Blue = Coping Strategies	Green = Temperament Strengths	Red = Values
--------------------------	-------------------------------	--------------

Return to the Case Study: [Get a Litigated, Collaborative, or Cooperative Divorce](#)

Return to the Index of [Case Studies](#).