## How Leaders Build Connection and Get Results

# COMPASSIONATE ACCOUNTABILITY

**Appendix** 

The Compassionate Accountability Assessment

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## THE COMPASSIONATE ACCOUNTABILITY ASSESSMENT

WHETHER YOU are trying to improve yourself, your team, or your entire organization, an honest assessment is critical. Use the Compassionate Accountability Assessment below to assess how often the target behaviors for each switch are being demonstrated. You can also download a digital copy of this assessment by visiting Compassionate AccountabilityBook.com.

There are no right or wrong answers. However, by scoring yourself, your team, and your organization on the three switches, you will be able to see where your strengths and weaknesses are and set goals for improvement.

For each target behavior, rate how often you experience this in yourself, your team, and your organization in tables A.1, A.2, and A.3.

Once you've calculated the averages for each switch, copy them into table A.4.

#### TABLE A.1. Value

Value switch target behavior  0 = never  1 = seldom  2 = occasionally  3 = frequently	Myself	My team	My organiza- tion
Listens to and validates feelings without judging			
Assumes positive intentions and checks assumptions			
Affirms experiences, even if I or others can't relate to them			
Empathizes by finding common emotional ground			
Is transparent by sharing own feelings, motives, and experiences			
Is willing to be vulnerable			
Demonstrates that you don't have to agree with someone to value them as a person			
Separates the person from the behavior			
Includes and leverages diversity			
<b>Value totals:</b> Add up totals for each column			
<b>Value averages:</b> Divide total by 9 to obtain average for each category			

**TABLE A.2.** Capability

Capability switch target behavior  0 = never  1 = seldom  2 = occasionally  3 = frequently	Myself	My team	My organiza- tion
Seeks first to understand			
Shares ideas and resources to find the best solutions			
Invites people to be part of the solution			
Invests in others' successes			
Turns failure into learning opportunities			
<b>Capability totals:</b> Add up totals for each column			
<b>Capability averages:</b> Divide total by 5 to obtain average for each category			

#### **TABLE A.3.** Responsibility

Responsibility switch target behavior 0 = never	Myself	My team	My organi- zation
<ul><li>1 = seldom</li><li>2 = occasionally</li><li>3 = frequently</li></ul>			
Takes ownership over own emotions, thoughts, and behaviors			
Allows others to take ownership over their emotions, thoughts, and behaviors			
Asks directly and assertively for what is wanted and needed			
Enforces boundaries, standards, and commitments without blaming, attacking, or threatening			
Keeps the most important thing the most important thing			
<b>Responsibility totals:</b> Add up totals for each column			
<b>Responsibility averages:</b> Divide total by 5 to obtain average for each category			

**TABLE A.4.** Compassion mindset switch averages

Compassion mindset switch averages	Myself	My team	My organization
Value			
Capability			
Responsibility			
<b>Compassionate accountability score:</b> Average the scores for each switch			

#### **Plotting Your Scores**

Using figures A.1, A.2, and A.3, plot your scores for each switch. You can also download a digital copy of this assessment by visiting CompassionateAccountabilityBook.com.

#### **Interpreting Your Scores**

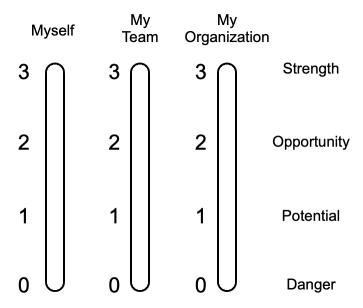
The lower the score, the more risk for toxic cultures with low engagement, high turnover, and failure to perform. The higher the score, the more potential for thriving cultures with high engagement, low turnover, and capacity to perform. Use figures A.1, A.2, and A.3 to track your scores.

- 0–1 = Danger zone—Compassionate Accountability is lacking. Make changes immediately.
- $1-2 = Potential\ zone$ —Pockets of Compassionate Accountability are present. Nurture them.
- 2–2.5 = *Opportunity zone*—Compassionate Accountability is taking hold. Build momentum.

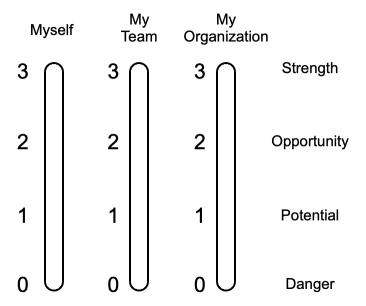
2.5-3 = Strength zone—Compassionate Accountability is alive and active. Keep it up!

Remember that each switch is necessary but not sufficient on its own for Compassionate Accountability to work. If all three switches in a particular domain (self, team, or organization) have a score above 2, Compassionate Accountability is taking hold. If any of the three switches are under 2, this represents an area of potential for growth.

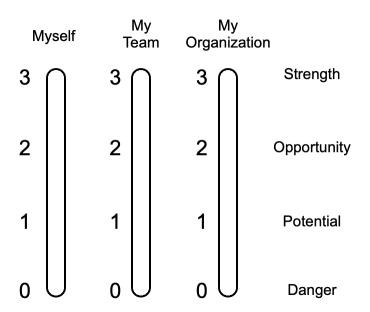
Continue to interpret and apply your Compassionate Accountability Assessment results using the guidance in chapter 7.



**FIGURE A.1.** Value switch scoring template. Designed by Nate Regier.



**FIGURE A.2.** Capability switch scoring template. Designed by Nate Regier.



**FIGURE A.3.** Responsibility switch scoring template. Designed by Nate Regier.

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