



BEING YOURSELF

Are you comfortable leading others?

YES

NO

SOMEWHAT

What part of your leadership role is the most comfortable to you?

What part of your leadership role is the most uncomfortable to you?

Have you ever tried to lead in a way that was not consistent with you who you are?

Describe that experience.

Have you ever known a “fake” leader? Describe that person (without using names):

Were they an effective leader?

YES

NO

LEADERSHIP TIP

Camouflage doesn't change the person, just their intent. Be honest about your intentions and you can be honest about who you are.



Make a list of your leadership shortcomings. It might help to try and think how your worst enemy might view you. Try and come up with at least ten things.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.

LEADERSHIP TIP

You may also want to take the remaining questions in this chapter and have others answer them for you. To get the most honest feedback, consider having people fill them out anonymously and you do the same for them. This will sting a little, so make sure that you are prepared for some constructive criticism and ask someone you trust

What can you do to overcome these shortcomings, either by changing your behavior or enlisting the help of someone else in your group? Correspond the shortcomings listed above with the answers below.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.



Based on the answers listed above, would you say your shortcomings are more a result of bad decisions and choices or that your beliefs do not match the groups beliefs?

Have you communicated these shortcomings to your section or leadership team members? YES NO

LEADERSHIP TIP

We all “run to” what we “run from.” The things we tend to want the most are the things that we lack the most. No one wishes for things that they have. I wish I was tall dark and handsome, because I am none of the above. What are the things that you most wish you had as a leader? When you can answer that question, you have a pretty good idea of the things that you most need to work on to be an effective leader.

Are you scared to admit your faults in front of your peers? YES NO

Do you ever pretend to be something you are not? YES NO

What are some qualities you pretend to have but don't? Can you list three?

1.

2.

3.

Why do you pretend to have them?

Do you act differently as a leader than you did as a follower in the group? Yes No Sometimes Should you?

If so, explain.



Do you treat leadership like a light switch? Do you try and turn it on and turn it off when needed?

Are you the same person/leader in math class as you are in your music class?

Should you be? If not, why?

From this chapter, what was the most beneficial thing that you learned and how will it benefit you this year?

List some questions you would like to ask or things you would like to discuss with your group.

LEADERSHIP ACTIVITY

Go to <http://www.franklincovey.com/tc/resources/view/msb> and build your own mission statement. Bring it to your next meeting and share it with others. See if there are commonalities and differences your mission statements have. See if there is enough shared beliefs to make a leadership team mission statement.