ENNEAGRAM TYPES IN THREAT

Type 1

Type 2

Type 3

Type 4

Type 5

Triggers / What sets you up to go below-the-line

- Irresponsibility
- Unfairness
- Making mistakes
- Being criticized
- People who disobey rules or do things incorrectly
- Not being appreciated
- Loss of connection
- Giving too much
- Not being needed
- Needs not getting met
- Obstacles to getting things done
- Incompetence, indecision
- Inefficiency
- Failure
- Anything that reflects poorly on them
- Not being treated as special or unique
- Feeling abandoned or rejected
- Feeling unfulfilled
- Phoniness or insincerity
- Demands or intrusions on time and energy
- Being considered factually incorrect
- Not having enough time alone to recharge
- Feeling overwhelmed by others' emotions

Behaviors / How you react from below-the-line

- Feeling irritated or frustrated
- Self-righteousness
- Criticizing self & others
- Worrying about making mistakes
- Over-working
- Being rigid or inflexible
- Perfectionism
- Black and white thinking
- Righteous outbursts
- Hyper-sensitivity to criticism
- Body tension/tightness

- Over-giving
- Denying own needs
- Feeling "better or less than"
- Being overwhelmed by meeting others' needs
- Manipulating with flattery
- Giving to get
- Resenting others for being unappreciative or too needy
- Blaming othersFeeling entitled
- Overindulging as a way to satisfy unmet needs

- Impatience
- Working too much
- Overly concerned about image
- Lack of empathy for others' feelings
- Inability to slow down/ relax
- Chameleon-like behavior
- Feeling the need to impress
- Intolerance of their failures
- Wanting to win at any cost

- Overly attached to feelings
- Focus on what is missing
- Big mood swings
- Angry outbursts
- Romanticizing what could be or what once was
- Feeling a sense of longing
- Feeling inferior, shame
- Wanting what others have
- Feeling misunderstood and like they don't belong

- Withdrawing or isolating
- Detaching from feelings
- Over analyzing, becoming consumed by thinking
- Minimizing own needs
- Being stingy with time, energy, money, etc.
- Having overly rigid boundaries
- Believing resources are scarce
- Arrogance
- Feeling overwhelmed





Type 6

Type 7

Type 8

Type 9

Triggers / What sets you up to go below-the-line

- Uncertainty, unpredictability, untrustworthiness
- Disloyalty
- Feeling cornered, controlled or pressured
- Illogical arguments

- Constraints or limits on freedom
- Inability to get what they want
- People who are stuck in negativity
- Being pushed to face difficulties or issues they don't want to face

- Deceit, manipulation
- Injustice or harm to innocent victims
- Weakness, indecisiveness
- Attempts to control them
- Untrustworthy authority

- Being treated as unimportant
- Feeling controlled
- Being pushed to make a decision or take action
- Conflict or anything that disturbs their peace

Behaviors / How you react from below-the line

- Hyper vigilant and suspicious
- Obsessive worry or anxiety
- Procrastination
- Doubt of self and others
- Indecisiveness
- Projecting fear/doubt onto others
- Magnifying danger or threats
- Focusing on negatives
- Mistrust of authority
- Overly compliant or defiant
- Intolerance of ambiguity
- Overly-cautious or risk-averse

- Difficulty maintaining focus
- Making excuses and rationalizing
- Avoiding difficulties, pain, negativity
- Insatiable need for stimulation
- Excessive positivity bias
- Distraction to avoid boredom
- Craving more, not feeling satisfied
- Avoiding sadness, anger or fear
- Difficulty committing
- Self-referencing thoughts, missing the needs of others
- Anti-authoritarianism and nonconventional behavior

- Denying vulnerability
- Excessive eating, drinking, working, pleasure
- Needing intensity, adrenaline rush
- Impatience
- Denial of their own limitations
- "My way or the highway"
- Plotting or seeking revenge
- Controlling or dominating
- Aggressive, confrontational
- Rebellious against authority
- Taking justice into own hands
- Being insensitive or callous

- Going along to get along
- Quiet stubbornness
- Zoning out: media, food, alcohol
- Passive aggressiveness
- Focus on inessentials, avoid priorities
- Merging with others' agendas
- Rumination or over-thinking
- Fogginess about own wants and needs
- Believing "I don't matter"
- Avoiding conflict
- Excessive need for peace and comfort
- Occasional angry outbursts when pushed over the edge



