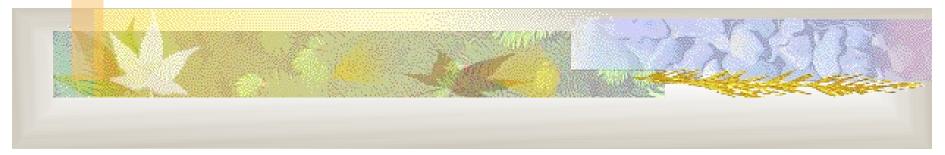
BODY LANGUAGE



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Body language is non-verbal communication. It plays a vital role during the conversation. Body language is composed of gestures, posture, movement & eye contact. Our body speaks more than our tongue. We express 60-70% through our body & 30-40% through our tongue.

GESTURES & POSTURES

<u>Gestures :-</u> are unconscious forms of expressions and therefore they have a language of their own.

Following are some of the gestures & what they mean :

Gestures

- Crossed arms means that the person is in a defensive and reserved mood.
- Crossed arms and legs means that the person feels very reserved and suspicious.
- Open arms and hands means that the person is open and receptive.
- Standing before you with his hands inside the pockets
 means he is not sure or feels suspicious.

Gestures

- Standing before you with his hands on his hips means he is receptive and ready to help you out.
- Sitting in a chair shaking one of the legs means he feels nervous and uncomfortable.
- If his eyes are downcast and face turned away means he is not interested in what you are saying.
- With the palm of the hand holding or stroking his chin - means he is in an evaluating position and being critical.

Gestures

- Rubbing or touching his nose when answering a question - means he is not telling the complete truth.
- If he maintains good eye contact and he smiles in a relaxed and happy way - means he is definitely receptive to you.
- Rubbing the back of his head or rubbing or touching the back of his neck - means the conversation is not really interesting.
- If he moves his body and sits with his feet and body pointing towards a door - means he wants to end the conservation and leave the room.

Postures: Are the ways we sit or stand

- During your job interview try to adopt a posture that shows interest but still comes across as being relaxed.
- You can do this by sitting up straight in your chair at the beginning of the interview, with your back against the back of the chair.
- If you slouch or hang sideways in your chair, it might give the impression that you are not that interested in the job.
- However, sitting on the edge of your chair can come across as being a little tense and might give the impression that you feel uncomfortable.

Postures

- You can change your body posture a little during the interview.
- You can emphasise this by tilting your head a little.
- It is also important to pay attention to the posture of your interview partners. In some cases you can achieve mutual tuning by adopting the same posture as the other person.

Body Language Zone

Intimate Zone (15 - 45 cms / 6"- 18"). This zone guards as if it was its own property

Personal zone(46-122cms/ 18"- 48"). This zone is for people whom we meet in the social function.

Body Language

Social Zone: (122-360 cms/ 4'-12') This zone is for familiar people.

Public Zone: (3.60 mts - 12') This zone is for strangers.