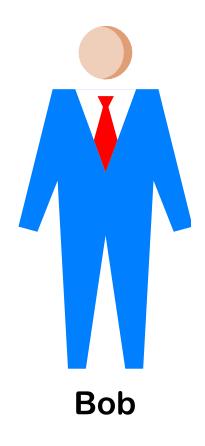
Mr. Mitchell's (Hard-Learned) Tips for

Not Being Creepy

A case study





Rule #1

When Bob finds out something *about* Alice, but doesn't learn it *from* Alice, then Bob is probably being creepy.

Rule #2



When Bob wants Alice to know something, and gets the information to her in some way other than *talking* to her, then Bob is probably being creepy.



Rule #3



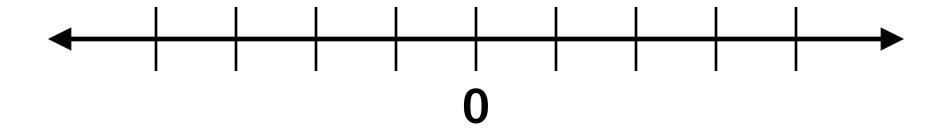
Even if Bob knows everything *about* Alice, it does not mean that Bob *knows* Alice.

And it certainly doesn't mean that Alice wants to know anything about Bob.



Or that she is happy about Bob knowing all about her.

Rule#4





If Alice is favorably disposed towards Bob, then she will be flattered when he says nice things to her or does them for her.

If Alice is *not* favorably disposed towards Bob, then she will probably be creeped out even if he says or does those *same things*.



Rule #5



If Alice isn't interested in Bob, then *nothing* Bob can tell her or do for her is going to change her mind (probably).

Alice will only change her mind by watching Bob interact with others over a longish period of time.



If she's not interested, leave her alone.

On relationships

Stages of typical relationships:

- 0.unknown
- 1.strangers
- 2. acquaintances
- 3. friends
- 4. dating
- 5. boyfriend/girlfriend
- 6. engaged
- 7. married

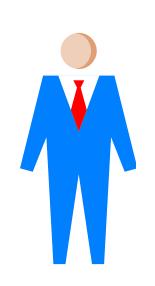
Am I creepy?



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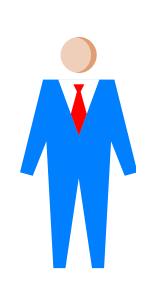


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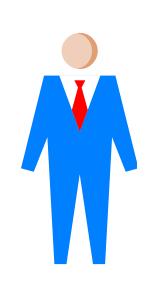
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- They have closed body language

The Test

In private, ask a friend or two, "Do people think I'm creepy?"

(Don't ask Alice this. She'll probably lie.)

Then ask, "What sorts of things do I do that people think are creepy?"

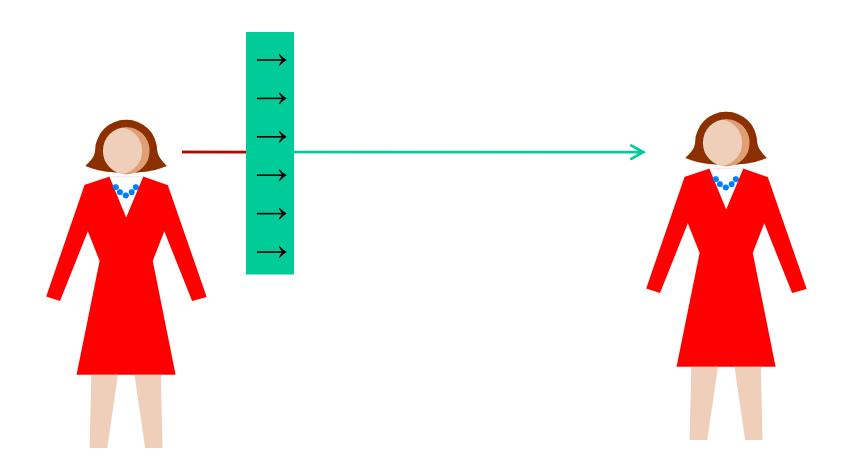
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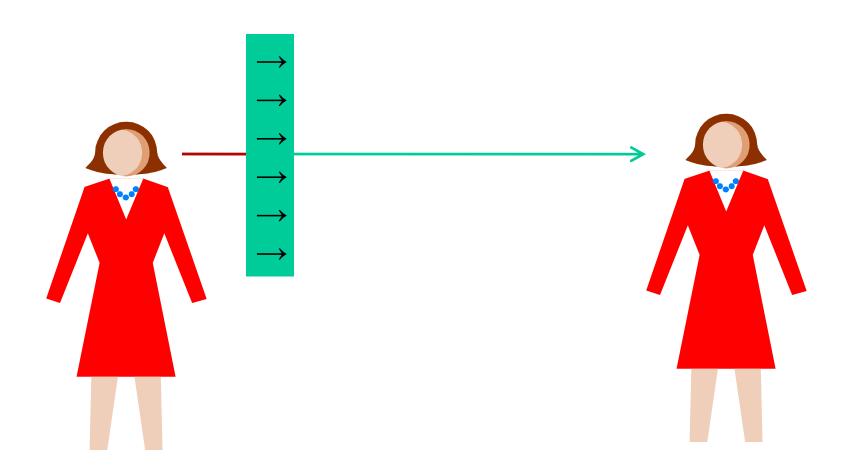
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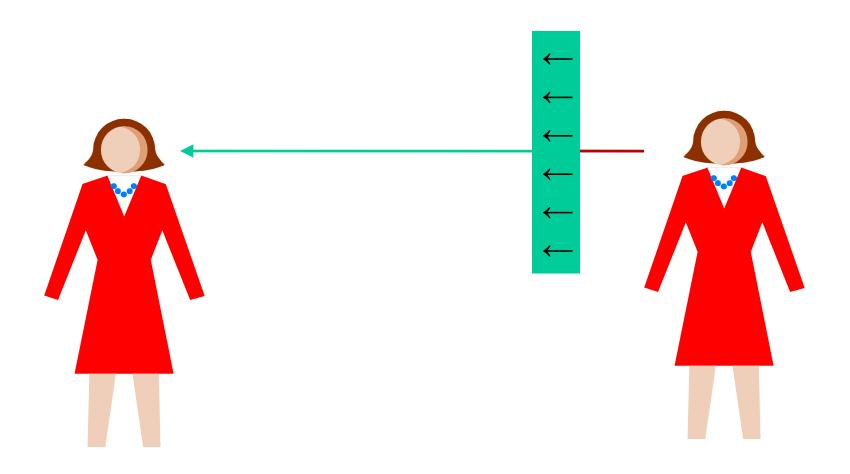


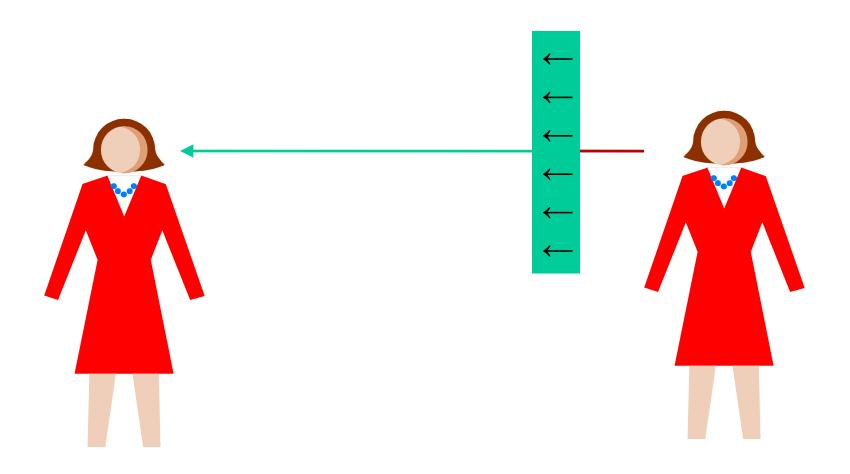


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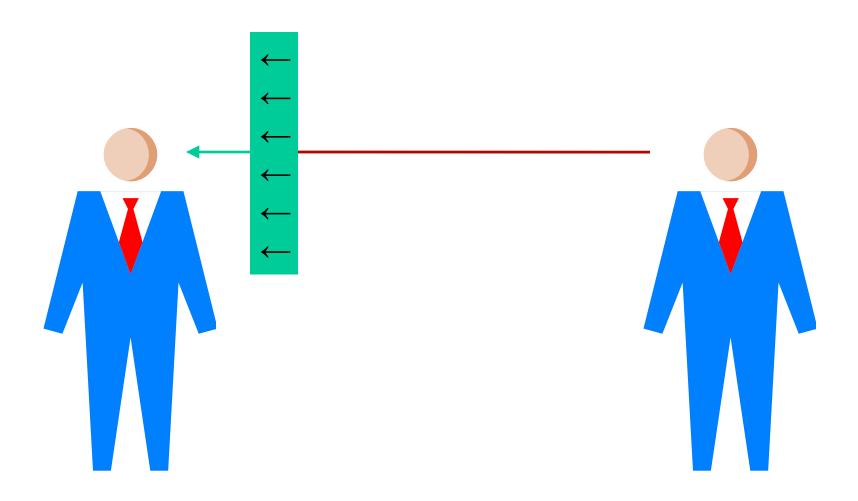


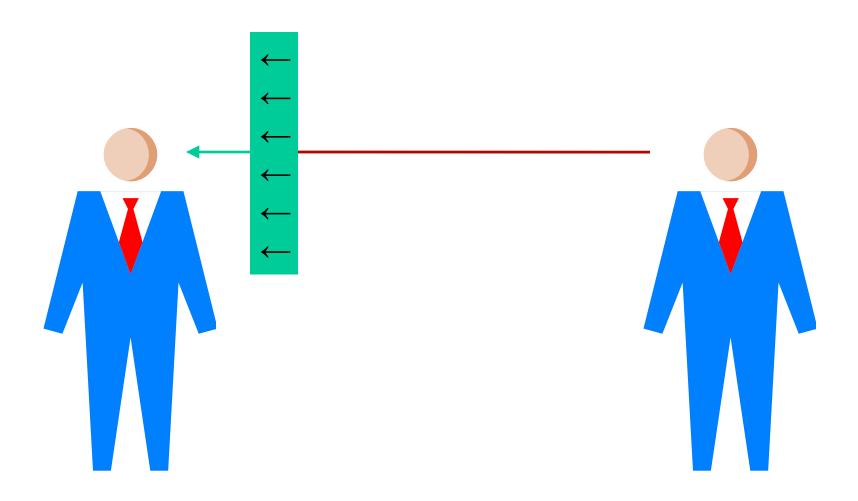


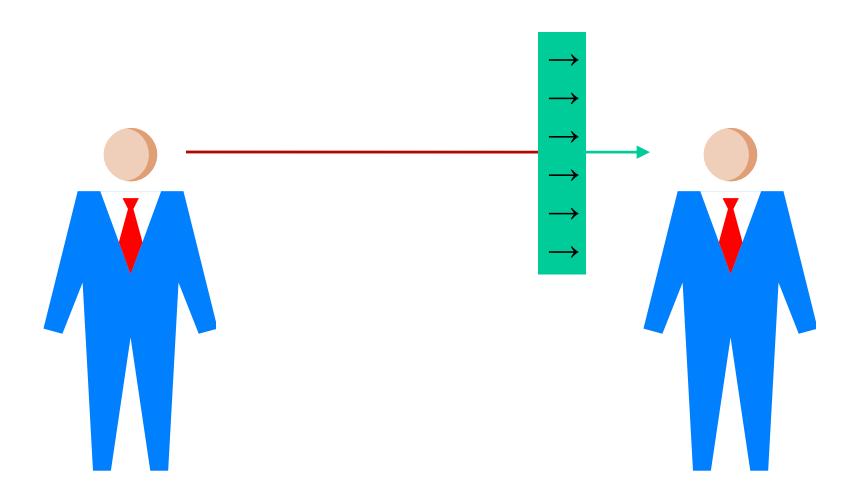


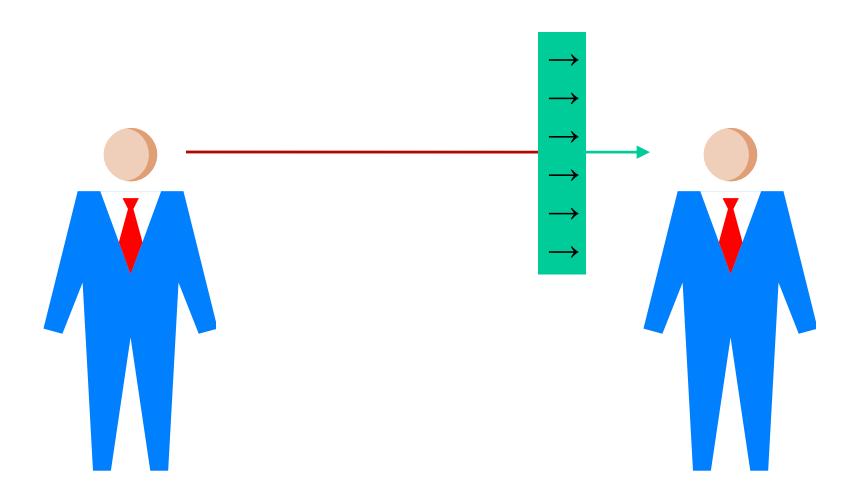








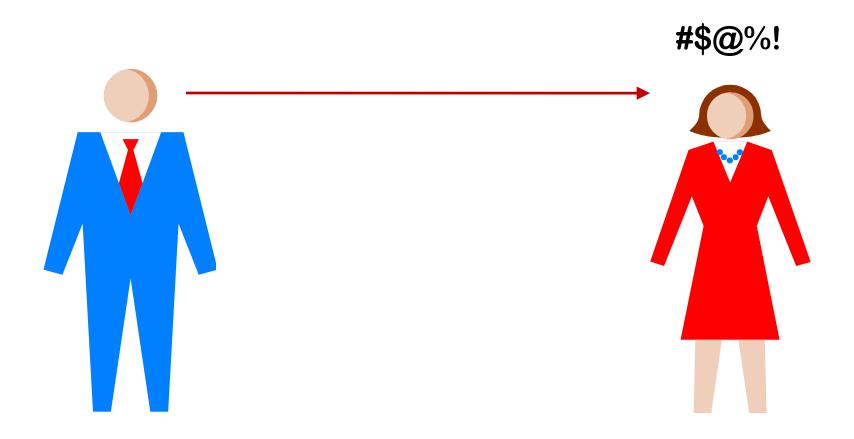


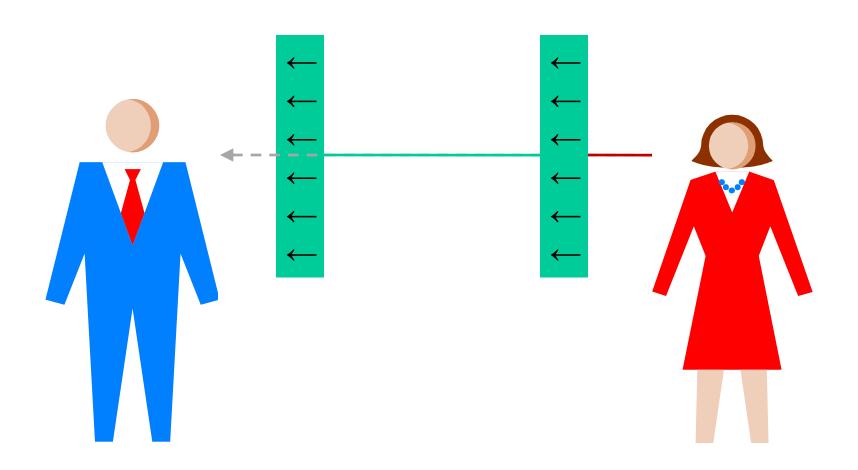














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It's okay to be direct.



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