

# INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION

## Final Presentation Topics

When performing research at the Phoenix College Library, begin by accessing the Library homepage:  
<http://www.pc.maricopa.edu/departments/library/>

To access **BOOKS** click on “Library Catalog”. There are two search modes: **BASIC** searches PC only; **BROWSE** searches the entire district.

To Access **MAGAZINE, JOURNAL & NEWSPAPER ARTICLES**, click on “Magazines and Newspapers.” The best library databases for this class include: Academic Search Premier, MasterFILE Premier, InfoTrac OneFile, and Communication and Mass Media Complete. However, you should try more of them if you aren’t finding enough on the topic you select.

### 1. ASSERTIVENESS

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

assertiveness - BASIC  
assertiveness (psychology) - BROWSE

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

assertiveness and communication (*especially in Comm. & Mass Media Complete*)  
assertiveness and psychology (*good in all databases*)  
assertiveness and research (*especially in Comm. & Mass Media Complete*)

### 2. BIRTH ORDER AND ITS EFFECT ON COMMUNICATION

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

birth order – BASIC, BROWSE (*best in BROWSE*)

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

“birth order” (*especially in Masterfile Premier*)

### 3. THE CHANGING FAMILY

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

single-parent families - BROWSE  
marriage united states – BROWSE (*most at other colleges*)  
family united states – BROWSE  
divorce and children – BASIC  
divorce – BASIC, BROWSE

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

single-parent families *(good in all databases)*

famil\* and social aspects and United States *(especially in Academic OneFile)*

families and demographic\* *(good in all databases)*

family united states *(good in all databases)*

#### 4. COMMERCIAL ART AND COMMUNICATION

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

visual communication psychological aspects – BASIC

advertising psychological aspects – BASIC, BROWSE

visual communication – BROWSE

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

visual communication and advertising *(especially in Communication & Mass Media Complete)*

#### 5. COMMUNICATION AND SEXUALITY

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

communication sex differences - BASIC, BROWSE

media and sex\* - BASIC

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

communication and sex\* *(especially in Communication & Mass Media Complete)*

#### 6. CONFLICT

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

Interpersonal conflict

conflict (psychology)

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

interpersonal conflict and psychological aspects *(especially in Academic OneFile)*

interpersonal conflict and research *(especially in Academic Search & AcademicOneFile)*

## 7. DEATH AND DYING AND COMMUNICATION

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

death psychological aspects - BASIC  
bereavement psychological aspects– BASIC, BROWSE  
death cross cultural studies – BASIC, BROWSE  
terminally ill psychology – BASIC, BROWSE  
death social aspects – BASIC, BROWSE (*best results in Browse*)  
terminally ill family relationships - BROWSE

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

dying and communication (*especially in Academic Search Premier*)  
bereavement psychological aspects and stages  
bereavement and coping

## 8. DIVORCE STAGES & EFFECTS ON RELATIONSHIPS

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

divorce psychological aspects – BASIC, BROWSE  
divorce united states psychological aspects – BASIC, BROWSE  
divorced parents psychological aspects - BASIC  
children of divorced parents psychological aspects - BASIC

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

divorce and communication  
divorce and coping  
divorce and children  
relationships and divorce  
children of divorced parents and psycholog\*  
divorced parents and relationship\*  
divorced parents and psycholog\*

## 9. DRESSING FOR SUCCESS

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

dress for success – BASIC  
clothing and dress – BROWSE  
clothing and dress psychological aspects – BASIC, BROWSE  
color in clothing – BASIC, BROWSE  
men's clothing - BROWSE

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

“dress for success” (*especially in Academic Search Premier, & Academic Onefile*)  
professional\* and dress

businessmen and clothing (*especially in Expanded Academic*)  
businesswomen and clothing (*especially in Academic Search Premier & Academic OneFile*)

## 10. DYSFUNCTIONAL/FUNCTIONAL FAMILIES

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

dysfunctional families - BASIC  
codependency – BASIC, BROWSE  
communication in the Family - BASIC, BROWSE (*Browse gives best results*)  
interpersonal Communication in Children – BROWSE  
interpersonal Communication in Adolescence BASIC, BROWSE  
parent and teenager – BASIC, BROWSE

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

problem families and communication (*especially in Academic OneFile & Academic Search*)  
“famil\* communication” (*especially in MasterFILE Premier*)  
parenting and communication (*especially in MasterFILE Premier*)

## 11. FIRST IMPRESSION

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

first impression – BASIC  
self presentation – BASIC, BROWSE

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

“impression formation” (*especially Academic Search, MasterFILE Premier, and Communication & Mass Media*)

## 12. INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

intercultural communication - BASIC

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

intercultural communication (*good in all databases*)  
language and culture (*especially in Communication & Mass Media*)

### 13. INTERPERSONAL ATTRACTION

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

interpersonal attraction – BASIC, BROWSE

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

interpersonal attraction (*especially Academic OneFile and Communication & Mass Media*)

### 14. INTERPERSONAL INTERVIEWING SKILLS

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

Interviewing - BASIC, BROWSE  
employment interviewing – BASIC

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

employment interviewing and technique\* (*especially Academic Search and MasterFILE Premier*)  
employment interviewing and skill\* (*good in all databases*)  
employment interviewing and psycholog\* (*good in all databases*)  
employment interviewing (*good in all databases*)

### 15. LISTENING

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

listening - BROWSE  
interpersonal communication - BASIC

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

listening  
listening and “interpersonal communication”  
“effective listening”  
“active listening”

### 16. MALE/FEMALE COMMUNICATION DIFFERENCES

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

communication sex differences – BASIC, BROWSE

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

communication sex differences (*especially in Communication & Mass Media*)  
communication and men (*especially in Academic OneFile*)  
communication and women

communication and gender

## 17. PARENTAL COMMUNICATION

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

communication in the family - BROWSE  
interpersonal communication in children – BROWSE  
interpersonal communication in adolescence BASIC, BROWSE  
parent and teenager – BASIC, BROWSE

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

interpersonal communication and children  
“famil\* communication” (*especially in MasterFILE Premier*)  
parenting and communication (*especially in MasterFILE Premier*)  
parental and communication

## 18. SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND ASSERTIVENESS

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

sexual harassment united states – BASIC, BROWSE

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

sexual harassment and assertiveness (*NOT in MasterFILE Premier*)  
sexual harassment and communication (*good in all databases*)

## 19. TOUCHING BEHAVIOR

To find **books**, use the following search terms in the search mode indicated (either the BASIC or BROWSE).

touch psychological aspects – BASIC, BROWSE  
nonverbal communication touch - BASIC  
touch social aspects - BROWSE

To find **magazine, journal and newspaper articles**, try the following search phrases:

touch\* and nonverbal  
touching and behavior  
touching and communication (*especially in Academic Search Premier*)  
touch and psychological (*especially in Academic OneFile*)  
touch and social (*especially in Expanded Academic*)  
touch (*Academic OneFile only*)