CATRA TEACHES NONVIOLENT COMMUNICATION

GROWING UP IN THE HORDE. WE WEREN'T EXACTLY TAUGHT HOW TO IDENTIFY OUR EMOTIONS OR PEACEFULLY RESOLVE CONFLICTS. "BRING ME THE "YOU'LL NEVER SWORD, OR DO NOT BE ANYTHING WITHOUT ME." RETURN AT ALL."



I'VE HAD TO LEARN A LOT ABOUT HEALTHY COMMUNICATION SINCE JOINING THE REBELLION.

> "I'M SORRY I GOT ANGRY, I'M WORKING ON IT



NOW I'D LIKE TO SHARE WHAT I'VE LEARNED WITH YOU.

WHAT IS NONVIOLENT COMMUNICATION?

A COMMUNICATION FRAMEWORK THAT

FOSTERS EMPATHY, HONESTY, & MUTUAL

UNDERSTANDING.

NVC
SHIFTS THE FOCUS
FROM BLAME & JUDGMENT
TO VULNERABILITY &
COLLABORATION.

AIMS FOR SOLUTIONS WHERE EVERYONE'S NEEDS ARE VALUED.

THE CORE
PRACTICES OF NVC
ARE REFLECTIVE LISTENING
AND THE 4-STEP METHOD FOR
EXPRESSING OBSERVATIONS,
NEEDS, FEELINGS, AND
REQUESTS.

CONFLICT

"CATRA, I'M SO SORRY. WE HAVE TO CANCEL OUR DINNER PLANS.

BRIDGE COLLAPSED NEAR PLUMERIA.



TERRIBLE.
I WAS REALLY
LOOKING FORWARD
TO OUR EVENING
TOGETHER."

REFLECTIVE LISTENING

TURN CONFLICT INTO COLLABORATION BY SAYING, "I WANT TO UNDERSTAND YOU," NOT "LET ME PROVE I'M RIGHT."

LISTEN FOR THE FEELINGS AND NEEDS UNDERNEATH WHAT'S BEING SAID.

EMPATHIZE BEFORE EXPRESSING YOUR OWN FEELINGS & NEEDS.

VALIDATE EMOTIONS WITHOUT AGREEING OR DISAGREEING, REDUCING DEFENSIVENESS.

SHOW COMMITMENT TO UNDERSTANDING, NOT "FIXING" OR JUDGING.

SHIFT FOCUS FROM SURFACE COMPLAINTS TO CORE NEEDS (E.G., AUTONOMY, SAFETY).

"I HEAR HOW
OVERWHELMED YOU'RE
FEELING BECAUSE YOU
WANTED TO SPEND TIME WITH
ME, AND YOU'RE WORRIED
ABOUT LETTING ME
DOWN...

BUT YOU NEED TO PRIORITIZE HELPING PEOPLE DURING EMERGENCIES, RIGHT?"

"EXACTLY.
I HATE LETTING YOU
DOWN, BUT PEOPLES'
LÍVES ARE AT
RISK "



1. OBSERVATION

DESCRIBE THE SITUATION WITHOUT JUDGMENT.

"I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU HAVE TO GO. BUT ADORA...

WHEN OUR PLANS GET CANCELED



REDUCE DEFENSIVENESS BY AVOIDING EVALUATIONS OR GENERALIZATIONS.

imes "YOU DON'T CARE imes "YOU ALWAYS DO THIS!"

2. FEELING

NAME THE FEELING THAT ARISES FROM THE OBSERVATION.

"I FEEL FRUSTRATED AND SAD."





OWN YOUR FEELINGS AND AVOID MASKING JUDGMENTS AS FEELINGS.

3. NEED

CONNECT FEELING TO LINIVERSAL NEED.
(SAFETY, RESPECT, BELONGING...)

"I NEED
RELIABLE CONNECTION
AND QUALITY TIME WITH YOU
TO FEEL SECURE IN OUR
RELATIONSHIP."



AVOID CONFUSING NEEDS WITH SPECIFIC STRATEGIES.

"I NEED YOU "I NEED YOU TO
TO ALWAYS STOP CANCELLING
PRIORITIZE ME." OUR PLANS."

<u>4. REQUES</u>T

MAKE AN ACTIONABLE, COLLABORATIVE REQUEST THAT INVITES DIALOGUE.

"WOULD YOU BE
WILLING TO WORK
WITH THE OTHER PRINCESSES
TO CREATE A CRISIS RESPONSE
TEAM SO YOU AREN'T NEEDED
EVERY TIME SOMETHING
GOES WRONG?"



X "TELL PLUMERIA X "WE'RE BREAKING YOU CAN'T COME."X UP IF YOU GO."

RESOLUTION

"CATRA...
THANK YOU FOR
UNDERSTANDING,
AND FOR BEING HONEST
ABOUT YOUR FEELINGS.
I HEAR HOW MUCH
THIS HURTS YOU!"





QUESTION & ANSWER

"OKAY, BUT WHAT'S
THE POINT OF ALL THIS
'I FEEL, I NEED'
STUFF IF PEOPLE
STILL SUCK?
WHY CAN'T YOU
JUST YELL?

SEEMS LIKE A LOT OF WORK."



NVC FORCES YOU TO IDENTIFY THE UNMET NEED UNDER YOUR ANGER. IF I YELLED AT ADORA SHE WOULDN'T HEAR ME.



VULNERABILITY DISARMS.
CLARITY REBUILDS."

"WHAT ABOUT MY HURT FEELINGS?!

WHY DO I HAVE TO TWIST MYSELF INTO KNOTS TO BE NICE WHEN SOMEONE DISAPPOINTS ME?

IF FROSTA DITCHES
ANOTHER COUNCIL
MEETING LAST MINUTE,
I WANT TO TELEPORT
HER TO THE TUNDRA—
NOT CODDLE HER!"



"NVC ISN'T ABOUT BEING NICE. IT'S ABOUT BEING EFFECTIVE.

'NICE' IS SWALLOWING YOUR ANGER UNTIL YOU SNAP AND DUMP FROSTA IN A GLACIER.

EFFECTIVE IS SAYING:

'WHEN YOU SKIP MEETINGS,
I FEEL ANGRY BECAUSE I NEED
SHARED RESPONSIBILITY.

WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO
GIVE 24-HOUR NOTICE IF
YOU CAN'T ATTEND?
IF I DON'T HEAR FROM YOU,
I'LL PROCEED WITHOUT
YOUR INPUT."

TESTIMONIALS



"YEAH, IT WAS FINE, OR WHATEVER."

-MERMISTA

"HER AURA IS SO MUCH BRIGHTER THAN IT USED TO BE."

-PERFUMA





"THAT'S MY WILDCAT!"

—SCORPIA

"I'M JUST SO PROUD OF HER." —ADORA

