Conflict Management Style

Directions:

- 1. Your instructor will divide the class into groups of two.
- 2. As a pair, design a scenario in which two people are in a conflict.
- 3. One student should play the role of a conflict initiator (e.g. a roommate who plays loud music in the dorm), the other plays a conflict responder (e.g. another roommate who is trying to study).
- 4. Take turns playing the initiator and responder using five different conflict management styles: competitive, accommodating, avoiding, compromising and collaborating (e.g. simply going to study somewhere else will be an avoiding style).
- 5. Play the roles for the class. Choose the most appropriate style and explain why it fits the situation.