A Closer Look at the Mentoring Beliefs Inventory

Mentoring Approach	Directive	Collaborative	Non-Direct
What	Mentor as authority	Shared commitment to learning	Mentor as listener
When	When mentee needs clarity or is not yet able to envision/ articulate issue	When mentee is able to envision/articulate issues and can engage in dialogue about them	When mentee has strong self-awareness and rich conceptual understanding of needs and possible solutions
Roles	High degree of mentor teacher /low degree of mentee responsibility in decision making	Shared degree of responsibility in decision making	Low degree of mentor teacher/high degree of mentee responsibility in decision making
Associated Behaviors	Mentor identifies feedback and possible solutions. Mentor directs next steps	Listening and reflecting; problem solving and brainstorming	Listening, reflecting, clarifying, and encouraging
Application	Not frequently needed by mentees, but is often preferred	Most often preferred by mentors	Only recommended for mentees whose understandings are at the highest levels

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