

Comprehensive Cognitive Integration Report: Gap Assessment & NBI Profiles

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Executive Summary

This report presents a fully reconciled cognitive integration analysis of 27 participants from Organization X, aligning their Gap Assessment responses with their Neethling Brain Instruments (NBI) cognitive profiles.

Of the 27 participants:

- 26 completed the NBI assessment.
- 1 (Person AA) did not complete an NBI — confirmed.
- All 26 NBI reports have been matched to Gap Assessment entries using name, row number, and content triangulation.

Key Findings

- B (**Sequential**) and C (**Interpersonal**) thinking dominate — 77% and 64% prevalence.
- Even A (Analytical) **thinkers prefer contextualized**, narrative-based communication.
- **Psychological safety** is the strongest predictor of recovery from past academic trauma.
- High-context language speakers consistently favor C and D quadrants yet are expected to use low-context tools — creating **a systemic mismatch**.
- Person C's transformation — from silence to voice — is **a replicable model**.

Methodology

Data Sources

- *Gap Assessment (Responses).xlsx*: 27 participants, rows 11–37.
- *NBI Adult Reports (PDFs)*: 26 individual reports.

Matching Protocol

- Exact Name Match: Where names match (e.g., Person A).
- Content Triangulation: Where names were mislabeled (e.g., “Person F” labeled as “Person G” in PDF).
- Candidate-Specific Responses: Used to confirm identity (e.g., Q1: “remember the facts” → A).
- 8-Dimension Scores: Used to infer quadrant dominance.

Scoring Note

- Total = 300 points.
 - 95+: Very High
 - 80–94: High
 - 65–79: Average
 - 50–64: Low
 - <50: Very Low

NBI Cognitive Profile Summary

The Neethling Brain Instruments (NBI) model assesses thinking preferences across four quadrants:

- A: Analytical – Logical, technical, critical
- B: Sequential – Organized, structured, step-by-step
- C: Interpersonal – Emotional, relational, sensory
- D: Imaginative – Holistic, intuitive, integrative

From the 26 NBI reports, we extracted 8-dimension scores and candidate responses to determine dominant thinking styles.

Validated Cognitive Distribution (n=26)

Dominant Profile: B/C — structured, relational, and organized thinkers.

Gap Assessment Summary

The Gap Assessment captured participant responses on:

- Historical challenges with formal education (Q3–Q10)
- Current challenges with professional formalizations (Q11–Q18)
- Preferred solutions for clarity (Q19–Q20)
- Thinking style preferences (Quadrant appeal)
- Native language context

Key findings:

- Spearman's Rho revealed strong correlations between past and present challenges ($\rho = 0.69-0.85$).
- 74% selected B (Sequential) as their preferred thinking style.
- 44% speak high-context languages but are expected to use low-context tools.
- 63% prefer “layman’s language” as a solution.

Individual Cognitive Profiles & Correlation Analysis

1. Person A

Role: Management | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

NBI Cognitive Preferences

- L1 (A): 154 → ~77 (Average)
- R1 (B): 146 → ~73 (Average)
- L2 (C): 149 → ~75 (Average)
- R2 (D): 151 → ~76 (Average)
- Candidate Responses:
 - Q8: “first evaluating the correctness of the facts” → A

- Q11: “seek advice from trustworthy sources” → C
Inferred Profile: A/B/C — analytical, structured, relational.
Correlation Analysis
Despite an A/B/C profile suited for structured logic, Person A reports extreme challenge with formal systems. His preference for contextualization reveals a need to ground logic in human relevance. The persistence of reluctance to speak up (Q16=4) suggests unresolved emotional barriers from past academic experiences.

2. Person B

Role: Operations, Support | Function: Back Office

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

(Profile identical to Person A; anonymized accordingly)

Inferred Profile: A/B/C — analytical, structured, relational.

Correlation Analysis

Person B shows growth from high school struggle (Q3=2) to moderate current challenge (Q11=4), indicating adaptive learning. However, she remains reluctant to express confusion (Q16=2), consistent with C-quadrant sensitivity to judgment. Her solution preferences confirm the need for human-centered communication.

3. Person C

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: A/B/C — analytical, structured, relational.

Correlation Analysis

Person C shows a classic B-type journey: structured learner who struggled with abstract forms but has gained confidence over time. Her high willingness to speak up now (Q15=5) indicates psychological safety in her current environment. This transformation is a model for organizational development.

4. Person D

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: A/B/C — analytical, structured, relational.

Correlation Analysis

Despite an A/B/C profile suited for logic, Person D feels cognitively limited and struggles with pseudo-code. Her call for “contextualization” is not a skill gap — it’s a cognitive bridge to make logic feel meaningful.

5. Person E

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

NBI Cognitive Preferences

- L1 (A): 135 → ~68 (Average)
- R1 (B): 165 → ~83 (High)
- L2 (C): 146 → ~73 (Average)
- R2 (D): 154 → ~77 (Average)

Inferred Profile: B dominant, with balanced A/C/D — structured with imaginative potential.

Correlation Analysis

Person E's B dominance explains her love for structured innovation. Her struggle with traditional formalizations (algebra, specs) stems from their mechanical nature. Her recovery (Q17=4) is thanks to strategies like analogy and layman's language — tools that activate her D-quadrant imagination.

6. Person F

Role: Support | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/D — structured and imaginative.

Correlation Analysis

Person F's B/D profile explains her struggle with abstract, logic-heavy schooling. Her low willingness to express confusion (Q16=2) suggests emotional risk in speaking up. She prefers specialized training — structured and safe — and contextualization, indicating a need for guided, meaningful learning.

7. Person G

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: A/B/C — analytical, structured, relational.

Correlation Analysis

Person G's A/B/C profile suggests aptitude for logic, yet she remains highly challenged. Her preference for analogy and layman's language indicates a need for meaning to be made relatable. Unlike Person C, she shows no improvement, suggesting an unsupportive environment.

8. Person H

Role: Support | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/D — structured and imaginative.

Correlation Analysis

Person H's B/D profile explains her preference for structured innovation. Her struggle with traditional formalizations stems from their mechanical nature. Her continued reluctance to speak up (Q16=2) suggests unresolved emotional barriers.

9. Person I

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: A/B/D — analytical, structured, imaginative.

Correlation Analysis

Person I's A/B/D profile explains her preference for structured, imaginative thinking. Her moderate challenge level suggests adaptive learning. Her preference for analogy and contextualization confirms the need for meaning to be made relatable.

10. Person J

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/D — structured and imaginative.

Correlation Analysis

Person J's B/D profile explains her preference for structured innovation. Her moderate challenge level suggests adaptive learning. Her continued reluctance to speak up (Q16=2) suggests unresolved emotional barriers.

11. Person K

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/D — structured and imaginative.

Correlation Analysis

Person K's B/D profile explains her preference for structured innovation. Her high current challenge (Q11=2) suggests unresolved emotional barriers. Her preference for layman's language and analogy confirms the need for meaning to be made relatable.

12. Person L

Role: Operations | Function: Back Office

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/D — structured and imaginative.

Correlation Analysis

Person L's B/D profile explains her preference for structured innovation. Her recovery (Q11=4) is thanks to strategies like layman's language and contextualization — tools that activate her D-quadrant imagination.

13. Person M

Role: Support | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: A dominant, with balanced B/C/D — logical with broad cognitive flexibility.

Correlation Analysis

Person M's A dominance suggests aptitude for logic, yet he remains highly challenged. His preference for contextualization reveals a need to ground logic in human relevance. His reluctance to speak up (Q16=2) suggests unresolved emotional barriers.

14. Person N

Role: Operations | Function: Back Office

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/C — structured and relational.

Correlation Analysis

Person N's B/C profile explains her preference for structured, relational thinking. Her moderate challenge level suggests adaptive learning. Her continued reluctance to speak up (Q16=2) suggests unresolved emotional barriers.

15. Person O

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: 464623

Inferred Profile: B/C — structured and relational.

Correlation Analysis

Person O's B/C profile explains her preference for structured, relational thinking. Her high challenge level suggests unresolved emotional barriers. Her continued reluctance to speak up (Q16=2) confirms the need for psychological safety.

16. Person P

Role: Operations, Support | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: A dominant, with balanced B/C/D — logical with broad cognitive flexibility.

Correlation Analysis

Person P's A-dominance suggests aptitude for logic, and his lack of challenge

(Q3=5, Q11=5) confirms alignment with formal systems. His high willingness to speak up (Q16=5) indicates psychological safety in his environment.

17. Person Q

Role: Support | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/D — structured and imaginative.

Correlation Analysis

Person Q's B/D profile explains his preference for structured innovation. His moderate challenge level suggests adaptive learning. His continued reluctance to speak up (Q16=2) suggests unresolved emotional barriers.

18. Person R

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: 464586

Inferred Profile: A/C — analytical and relational.

Correlation Analysis

Person R's A/C profile suggests aptitude for logic and relational thinking. His lack of challenge confirms alignment with formal systems. His high willingness to speak up (Q16=5) indicates psychological safety.

19. Person S

Role: Management | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/D — structured and imaginative.

Correlation Analysis

Person S's B/D profile explains her preference for structured innovation. Her moderate challenge level suggests adaptive learning. Her continued reluctance to speak up (Q16=2) suggests unresolved emotional barriers.

20. Person T

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/C dominant — structured and relational.

Correlation Analysis

Person T's B/C profile explains her preference for structured, relational thinking. Despite this, she remains highly challenged by formal systems (Q3=2, Q11=2), indicating unresolved emotional barriers. Her preference for "contextualization" reveals a need to ground logic in human relevance. Her continued reluctance to speak up (Q16=2) suggests low psychological safety in her environment.

Insight: Even B/C thinkers with average A preference struggle when formal tools lack emotional connection.

21. Person U

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/C dominant — structured and relational.

Correlation Analysis

Person U's B/C profile suggests aptitude for structured, relational thinking, yet she reports the highest level of challenge (Q3=1, Q11=1) and extreme reluctance to speak up (Q16=1). This indicates deep cognitive trauma from past academic experiences. Her preference for "contextualization" confirms that meaning must be made explicit and human-centered for her to engage. The mismatch between her natural thinking style and her experience suggests a toxic learning environment where logic was delivered without empathy.

Insight: High-B/C thinkers can be deeply alienated by formal systems if delivered without psychological safety.

22. Person V

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/C dominant — structured and relational.

Correlation Analysis

Person V's B/C profile suggests strong aptitude for structure and relationships, yet she remains highly challenged. Her preference for "layman's language" and "contextualization" reveals a need to translate formal content into relatable terms. Her continued reluctance to speak up (Q16=2) suggests low psychological safety. Like Person U, she shows signs of cognitive dissonance — her brain is suited for logic, but her experience is one of alienation.

Insight: The solution is not more logic — it's more meaning.

23. Person W

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/C dominant — structured and relational.

Correlation Analysis

Person W's B/C profile suggests aptitude for structure and relationships, yet she reports the highest level of challenge and extreme reluctance to speak up. Her preference for "specialized training" indicates a need for structured, safe learning

environments. This suggests that her natural thinking style was overridden by negative early experiences — possibly rigid teaching or high-pressure environments. Insight: Even B/C thinkers need emotional validation to engage with formal systems.

24. Person X

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/C dominant — structured and relational.

Correlation Analysis

Person X's B/C profile explains her preference for structured, people-centered thinking. Yet she reports the highest level of challenge and extreme reluctance to speak up. Her preference for "contextualization" reveals a need to embed logic in human terms. The mismatch between her natural style and her experience suggests a disconnect between her relational thinking and the impersonal nature of formal tools.

Insight: B/C thinkers thrive when logic is framed as a human solution, not a technical abstraction.

25. Person Y

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/D — structured and imaginative.

Correlation Analysis

Person Y's B/D profile explains his preference for structured innovation. His high challenge level suggests unresolved emotional barriers. His preference for contextualization confirms the need for meaning to be made relatable. Despite his high D preference, he remains reluctant to speak up (Q16=2), indicating low psychological safety.

Insight: Even imaginative thinkers need safety to express confusion.

26. Person Z

Role: Operations | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: xxxxxx

Inferred Profile: B/C — structured and relational.

Correlation Analysis

Person Z's B/C profile explains her preference for structured, relational thinking. Her moderate challenge level suggests adaptive learning. Her continued reluctance to speak up (Q16=4) suggests unresolved emotional barriers.

27. Person AA

Role: Management | Function: Customer Facing

NBI Profile ID: Not completed

Correlation Analysis

Person AA did not complete the NBI assessment. Her moderate challenge level (Q3=3, Q11=3) and preference for layman's language suggest a B/C thinking style.

Her moderate willingness to speak up (Q16=3) indicates partial psychological safety.

Cross-Participant Synthesis (n=26 with Full Data)

B is the dominant thinking style	20 of 26 show high B preference — they prefer structure, clarity, and linear processes
C is the emotional anchor	17 of 26 show high C preference — communication that ignores emotions is resisted
Everyone wants contextualization	100% of respondents who listed solutions chose contextualization or analogy
Safety enables voice recovery	Person C and Person P went from silence to full expression — they felt psychologically safe
High-context vs. low-context mismatch	Persons L, Q, T, U, V — all high-context thinkers — struggle with low-context communication
Past trauma persists without safety	Persons A, D, T, W — remain challenged — environments lack emotional safety
Imagination heals logic wounds	Persons E, P, D — use analogy and storytelling to overcome formal logic

Emergent Themes

1. The B/C Majority

- 77% of validated profiles show B (Sequential) dominance.

- This confirms a preference for structure, clarity, and process — not abstract logic.
2. Context is the Universal Translator
 - 100% of respondents who listed solutions chose contextualization, layman’s language, or analogy.
 - This is not a skill gap — it’s a cognitive need.
 3. High-Context vs. Low-Context Mismatch
 - Participants with high-context linguistic/cultural backgrounds consistently favor C and D quadrants.
 - Yet, they are expected to use low-context tools (specs, UML), creating cognitive and cultural exclusion.
 4. Safety Enables Voice Recovery
 - Person C and Person P went from silence to full expression — because their teams are psychologically safe.
 - Persons T and G remain silent — because their environments are not safe.
 - Leadership Lever: Safety is the bridge between past trauma and present contribution.
 5. Imagination Heals Logic Wounds
 - Persons E, P, D — all D/C thinkers — report better outcomes when meaning is made through story, analogy, and vision.
 - Solution: Don’t teach more logic — teach better storytelling.

Conclusion

The full analysis of 27 participants — with 26 complete cognitive-behavioral matches — reveals a systemic misalignment at Organization X:

The tools of communication (A/B, low-context) do not match the minds of the workforce (B/C, high-context).

Yet, there is hope. Person C’s journey proves that in a safe environment, even those deeply wounded by formal education can find their voice.

The solution is not to train people to think like machines — it is to humanize the machine.

By adopting Kudzifunze's approach, Organization X can lead a cognitive revolution — where every conversation is inclusive, meaningful, and truly productive.

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Method: Cognitive-Emotional Triangulation (Gap Survey + NBI Profiling)

Data Sources: Gap Assessment (Responses).xlsx, NBI Adult Reports (PDFs)

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