

Student Safety Contract

Is about ...

Suggestions for writing and implementing a *Student Safety Contract*

Details

First person
commitment

I, Josephine, will.....

Rules & Procedures

Follow the rules for proper laboratory behavior and all instructions given by the teacher or instructor in charge

Safety

Protect eyes, face, hands, and body while conducting class and laboratory activities

Know how to react
to emergencies

Know the location & proper use of first-aid and fire-fighting equipment

Be Responsible

Conduct myself in a responsible manner at all times

Be Respectful

Respect others and model good housekeeping practices

Topic A

Topic B

Before the experiment

During the experiment

Name: _____

Different

Same

Different

Your role in the classroom

Student, line leader,
 Messenger, Table
 Washer, board eraser, to learn,
 designated reader

This section
 would depend on
 each gender's
 response

To clean the classroom,
 wash the board, to teach
 the girls, I'm the man

Your rights

To be taught, the same as the
 boys, to go the bathroom, to eat
 lunch wherever I wanted, to talk
 to whoever I wanted

To learn, to clean, to listen,
 to eat lunch, I can only talk
 to the girls, to be the guy's
 slaves

Your ability to
 impact the
 classroom

However I chose

I can't impact the classroom
 unless it's by cleaning

How you feel
 about yourself

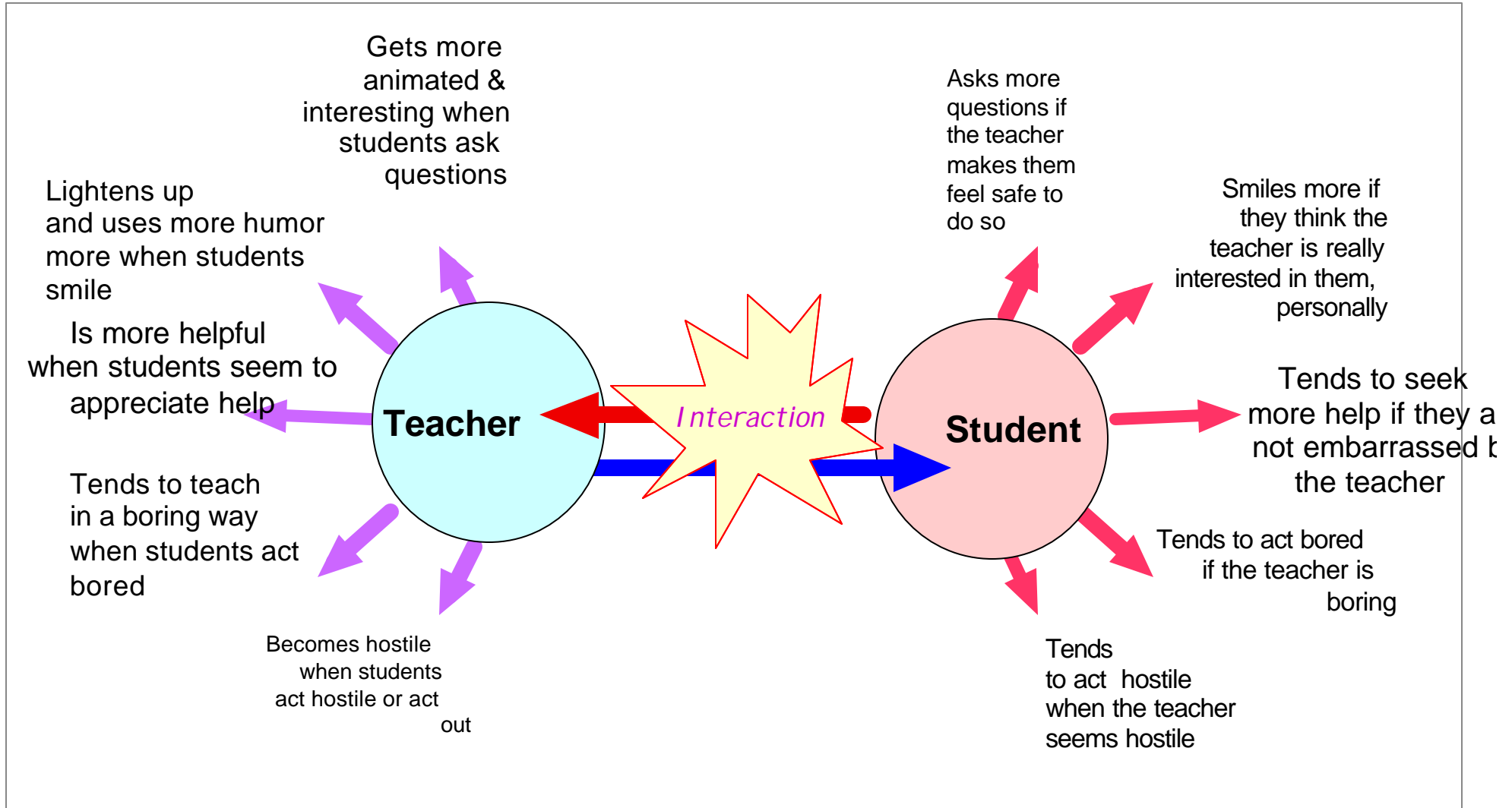
I am confident, I like
 myself, I can say what I
 want to say, I can do
 what I choose to do

I don't like just sitting back
 and doing nothing except
 what the guys say, I like
 having all this power.

How you feel about
 your gender

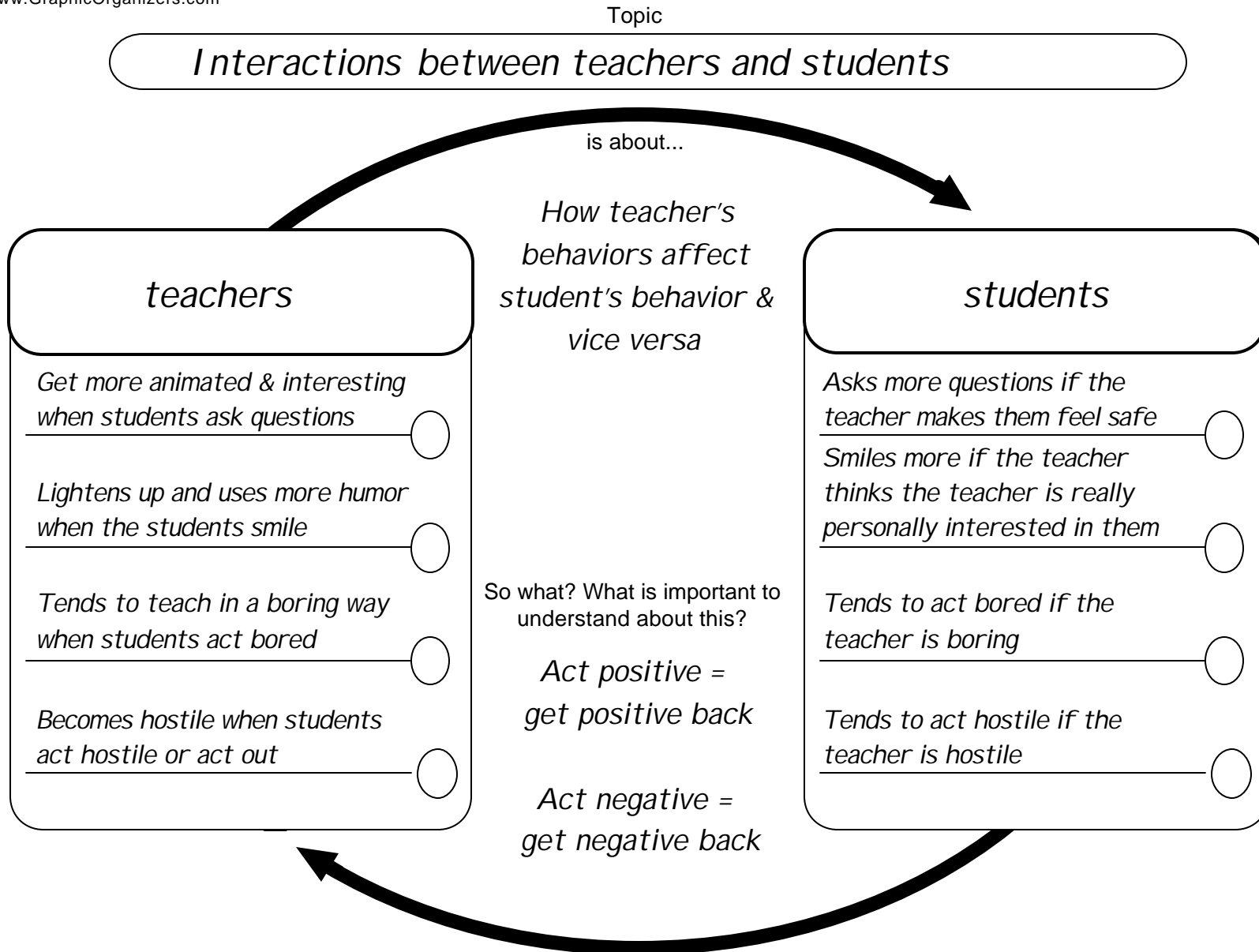
We're the best

My gender is very weak, My
 gender is very strong, we can
 do anything.



2-Step Cycle

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RUMOR

Is about...

When rumor spreads, it can divide a group of people and cause harm to the community

WHEN

Rumors are spread

Essential Details

Spread out of jealousy, bitterness, anger, fear - negative emotions

Often rooted in *some* truth, but become essentially untrue or exaggerated

Sounds a lot like gossip

Rumors expand as they are spread: what starts out true or small distorts exponentially

THEN

People are hurt

Essential Details

Emotional pain: feelings are hurt

Can lead to physical pain: people may resort to violence, destructive deeds

Absence of honesty - the need to be up front with one another

Backstabbing hurts, and that's essentially what rumors are

BECAUSE

Rumors cause division in a group at the cost of one person or a group of people

Essential Details

Places people at odds with one another - "me vs. you"

I ignore the feelings of the rumored party

Difficult to escape feelings of bitterness once they've started

Loyalties are uncertain - who really supports whom? Are we in this together?

When the lines of communication break down, truth is often sacrificed at the hands of rumor