Producer: Pre-work	Review PowerPoint slides from "Start With The End In Mind: Positive Communication with Shoppers"
	<ul> <li>On Slide 6 there is a Slido poll/Word Cloud. Set this up ahead of time:         <ul> <li>Log into Slido</li> <li>Click on "+Create Slido"</li> <li>Provide date and name it</li> <li>Choose "Word Cloud"</li> <li>Enter in question: What makes you angry or frustrated when shopping?</li> <li>Choose a shopping photo for the graphic (see slide image reference below)</li> <li>Click Save. Test the event before the VILT.</li> <li>Save a screen shot of the blank Word Cloud screen after set up (like the placeholder) and insert into PPT</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>There is a video and then breakout room chat on slide 11 (page XX of this guide). Collaborate with the Facilitator to decide if participants should be put into specific pairs or if they can be chosen at random.</li> <li>Preview video to make sure it runs and sound is clear.</li> <li>Have a Zoom timer ready for this activity.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>There is a video to present that is embedded in the PPT on slide 17 (page XX of this guide).</li> <li>Preview video to make sure it runs and sound is clear.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>There is a Wordwall Spin The Wheel activity on slide 20 (page XX of this guide). Set this up ahead of time:         <ul> <li>Open Wordwall site and login (www.wordwall.net)</li> <li>"Create activity" (upper right corner)</li> <li>Enter in scenarios in each field and choose the "Random Wheel" option and save.</li> <li>Open before the VILT to test it.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	There is a Family Feud-style game with 2 teams on Slide 24 (page XX of this guide)

<ul> <li>Breakout rooms will be used for teams to discuss and compile answers: Collaborate with the Facilitator to decide if participants should be put into specific groups or if they can be chosen at random.</li> <li>Have a Zoom timer ready for this activity.</li> <li>When teams reconvene in Main room, a whiteboard will be shared to view and discuss answers.</li> <li>Prepare whiteboards (3 boards; one for each question)</li> <li>Click "Whiteboard" on bottom panel inside the Zoom meeting.</li> <li>Click "New Whiteboard."</li> <li>Select "Collaborating" option.</li> <li>Click "Create."</li> <li>Type first survey question onto blank screen at the top and divide into 2 columns</li> <li>Choose a sticky note color for each team. (repeat those colors for each of the three boards).</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Please pay attention to the waiting room to let late learners in and monitor the chat during the course for any outlier questions that pop up. It is your responsibility to watch the participants during the training for any issues or concerns.</li> <li>Participant instructions should use the "Raise Hand" reaction if they would like to speak.</li> </ul>
Record Zoom meeting when training begins.
Allow facilitator control to advance slides/animations
Be prepared to share your screen for the following activities: Slido poll- slide 6, Video screening- slide 17, Spin the Wheel game- slide 20, Family Feud game- slide 24.

•	The participants will need to print the participation guide before the VILT starts. Make sure they have been sent out of
	couple days prior to the live course.

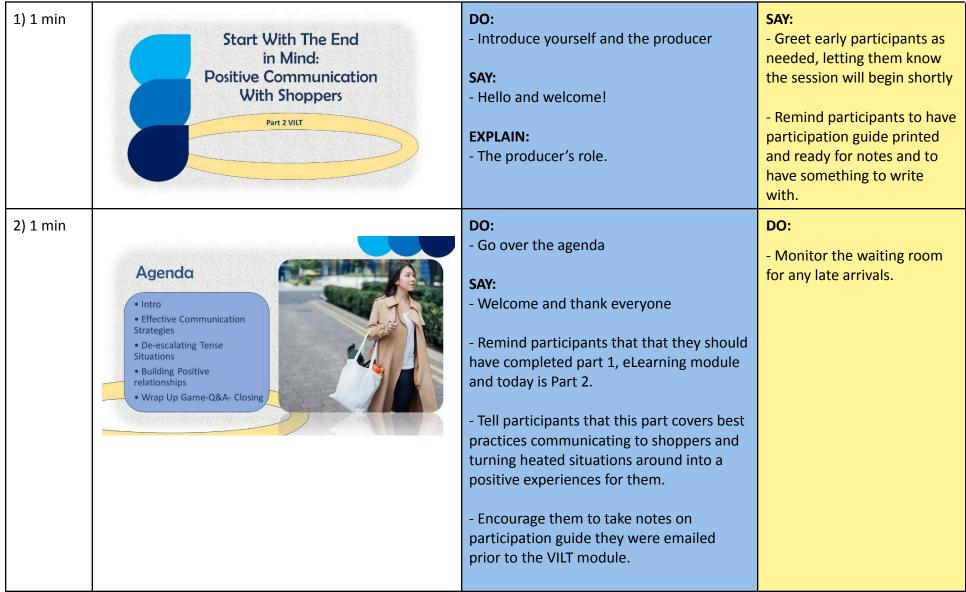
Facilitator Pre-Work:	<ul> <li>This is part 2 of a blended learning experience. All participants must complete the eLearning module "Start With the End in Mind: Positive Communication with Shoppers" before beginning this part of the course.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>This guide was developed for the purposes of delivering this course via Zoom, but it can also be used for an in-person classroom training with the following considerations:         <ul> <li>Breakout room activities will need to be adapted to fit the classroom environment.</li> <li>Questions will be posed directly to participants.</li> <li>Questions will be made directly to participants rather than by using polling tools/chat box/online whiteboard</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Open the PowerPoint file associated with this guide and review start to finish.
	• Share the PowerPoint application and ensure that the Zoom Attendees and Chat panels are visible.
	<ul> <li>Some key talking points and questions are included in this guide but be prepared to add your own commentary and questions as well.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Aim towards generating a response from the participants at least once every five minutes; this will keep them engaged and will encourage them to follow along closely. The participants may use the interactive tools such as a hand raise, thumbs up/down, and chat box.</li> </ul>
	Rehearse timing and practice sharing screen with producer.
	Collaborate with producer to determine breakout room groups/sizes.

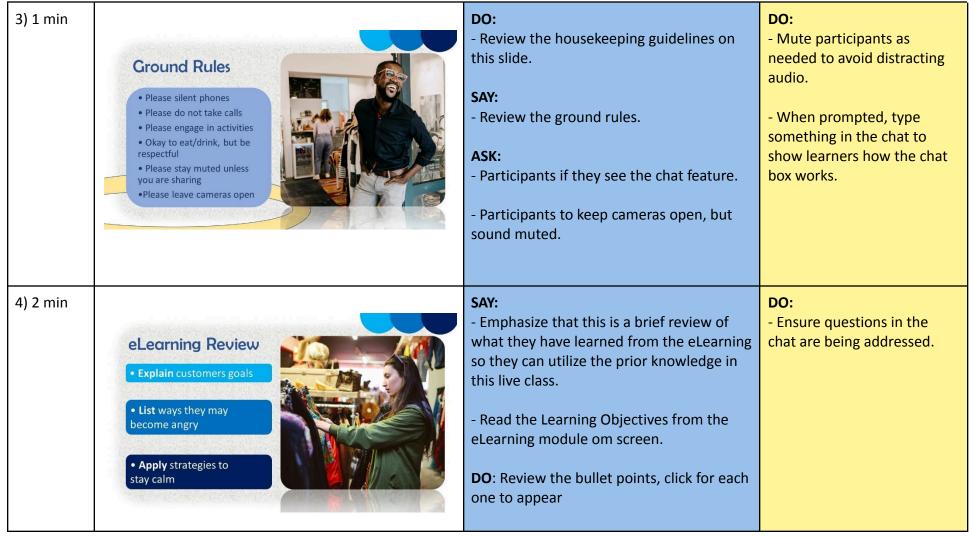
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• Make producer cohost to enable them to share screen and other admin functions as needed.

Session # 1			
Slides	Approximate Timing	Topic	
1-6	8 min	Welcome, Agenda, Ground Rules, Review, Learning Objectives, Poll	
7-13	20 min	Effective Communication Strategies with Customers	
14-20	25 min	De-escalating Heated Situations	
21-22	6 min	Building Positive Relationships	
23-26	19 min	Final Game/Review/Wrap up	
Total:	78 min Total		

Slide#)	Slide	Facilitator Notes	Producer Notes
Duration			





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5) 2 min



### SAY:

- Share that these are today's objectives for the VILT.
- Remind participants that they will be able to have a clearer understanding of these skills by the end of the course today.
- Encourage them to take notes on the job aid.

#### DO:

- Review the bullet points, click for each one to appear

#### DO:

- While Facilitator is reviewing this, be you're you have a tab open for Slido poll.
- Click on the preset Word Cloud activity for "What Makes you Angry or Frustrated When Shopping?" and go into Present mode.
- Post a link in chat and the poll code for the "What Makes you Angry When Shopping?" Slido page for another option to access.

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6) 2 min



#### SAY:

Tell participants you are going to start with a quick ice breaker and to:

- Scan the QR code and respond to the question.
- Or go to slido.com on your own devices and use the code
- Then enter your answer.

#### **EXPLAIN:**

- Once everyone responds to the question, a word cloud will be created with the answers.
- Make sure you hit Submit at the bottom after entering your answer.
- You will have just a min, starting now

#### DO:

- Review the outcome and keywords generated and discuss commonalities to briefly to encourage participants to see themselves in the upcoming scenarios.

#### SAY:

- Tell them to notice the largest terms and words are the ones with the most entries. (mention them here)
- Tell participants this is important to be aware of so you can be mindful during your own interactions with shoppers.

- Share Screen to show the Slido page so that participants can see it in real time.
- Keep track of time using the timing instructions provided.
- Allow 30 seconds to 1 min for Learners to place their responses into the word cloud by setting the timer.
- Grab a screen shot of the Slido word cloud so the ideas that are shared can be sent out after the course.



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### SAY:

- Tell participants why active listening is so important: It builds trust, diffuses tension and leads to solutions.
- Encourage them to take notes on participation guide.

#### DO:

- Review the bullet points, click for each one to appear.

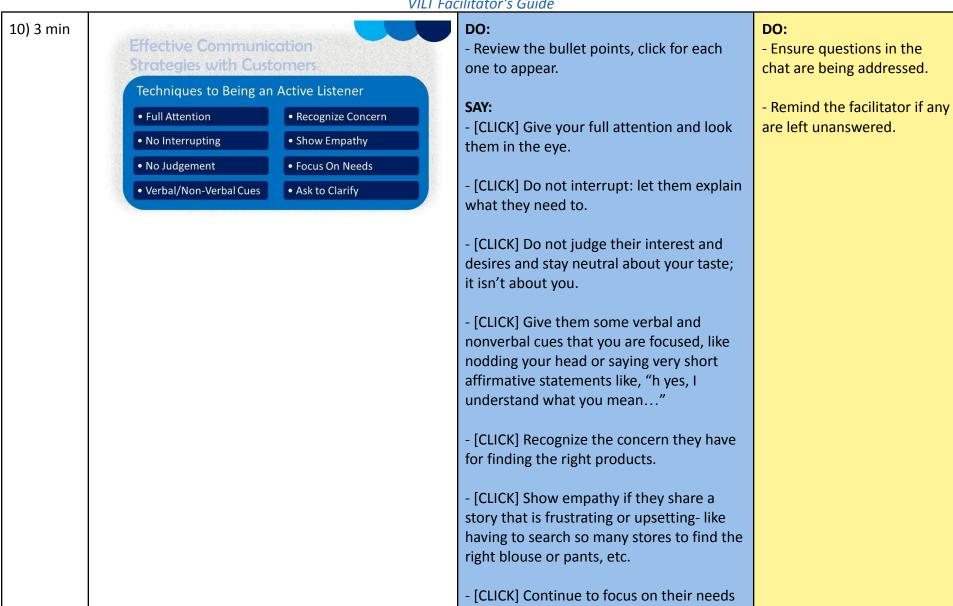
#### **EXPLAIN:**

- How you build trust by helping shoppers choose products they need and want and by being sensitive to how they spend their money. They rely on you to understand them.
- Shopping can be tense! You are able to share great ideas that fit their needs if you are actively listening.
- That these ideas solve problems for shoppers and that makes them happy and satisfied.

### DO:

- Ensure questions in the chat are being addressed.

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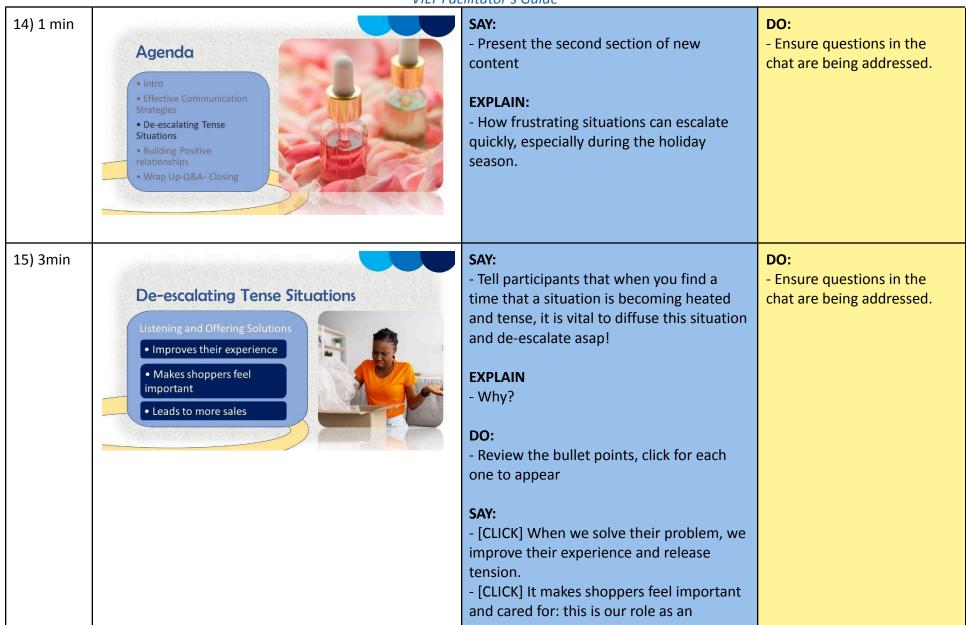


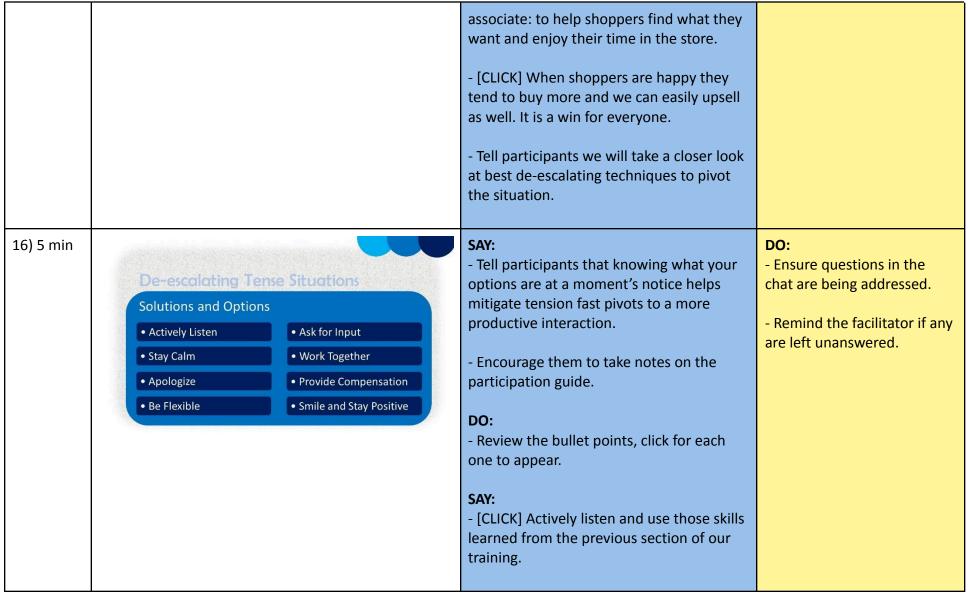
and do not get personal and share your

	preferences that steer them in a diffidirection.  - [CLICK] Always ask to clarify if you certain- those specific questions sho care.  ASK:  If there any questions or concerns of anything to clarify before continuing	are not ow you r
Video & Breako  Watch the video and observe the conversation for active listening.  Discuss the video with a partner in breakout rooms.  What was done well? What could have been improved?	SAY:  - We're going to practice active lister  - After watching this short video of a conversation, you will move to a bre room to share thoughts and ideas at the active listening you saw between two.  EXPLAIN:  - Partners can share ideas of the streand weaknesses they saw and what have been done to improve the conversation.  - They have about 3 min  DO:  - Review the activity on screen, click each step to appear.	introducing the activity, get the breakout rooms ready in Zoom by assigning pairs of participants to rooms  - Click on Share Screen after Facilitator introduces activity, then click on the Advanced tab at the top and share Computer Sound, then Share.  - It should not share a screen but only the sound for the embedded video.

		- [CLICK THE PLAY BUTTON] play the embedded example video - NOTE: It is about 4 minutes long.	<ul> <li>Make sure to set a timer once the rooms have been opened</li> <li>Guide any participants who are not leaving the main room to join their partner in breakout room.</li> <li>Address any technical issues that participants encounter.</li> <li>Close breakout rooms about a min before since it gives them a 60 second buffer to return to the main</li> </ul>
12) 1 min	Empathy  The ability to understand and relate to the feelings of another.	SAY:  - How important empathy is that that it does not mean that we have been through the exact same scenario, but that we understand where they are coming from and we can relate to their feelings.  - It can be shown through many emotions (joy, excitement or perhaps frustration or anger)  DO:	DO: - Ensure questions in the chat are being addressed.

		- Present and read this definition to the group	
13) 5 min	Read the scenarios in your participation guide  Write a reflection about them: was the Associate empathetic?  After introducing activity learners will read in their guides and write reflections to share.	SAY:  - Tell them we will take a couple minutes to read and reflect on a scenario.  - Please look at your participation guide.  - Tell them to read through the scenarios and use the space provided to reflect on how the Associate did or did not show empathy to the shopper.  EXPLAIN:  - That if they did not show empathy they should write about what could have been done better.  DO:  - Review the activity on the slide, click for each one to appear and let learners read and write.  ASK: (after a min or so):  - If anyone would like to share their responses	DO: - While Facilitator is introducing the activity, post a reminder in the chat for everyone to use their participation guide to write their reflection.

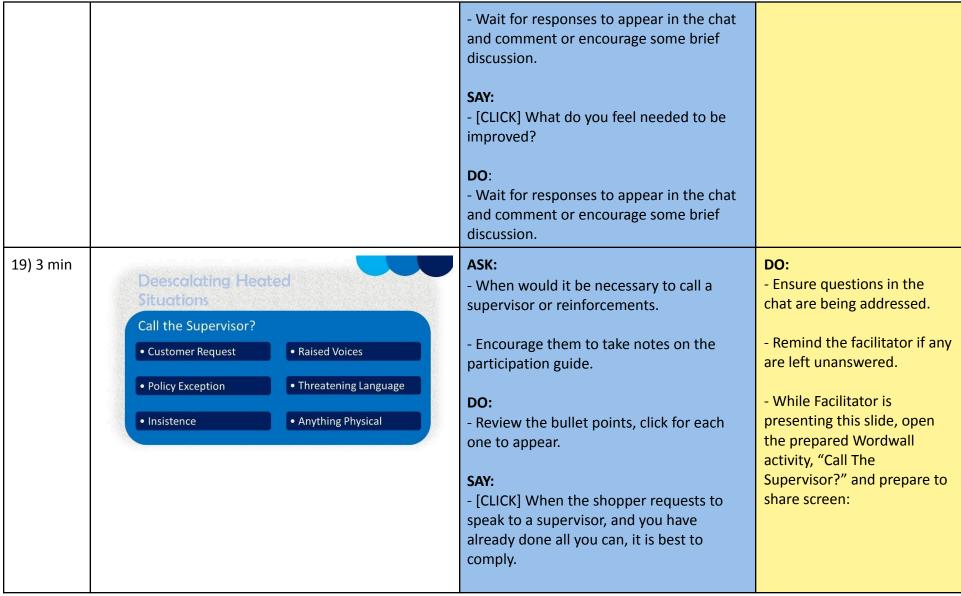




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	- [CLICK] Stay calm- even when the shopper is not! You need to be the voice or reason and solutions.		
	- [CLICK] Apologize and show empathy- this let's them know you care!		
	- [CLICK] Be flexible and open to all that they say		
	- [CLICK] Ask for input from them- how can I help you with this situation?		
	- [CLICK] Work together to find products they do like and ask more questions to dig deeper and discover a new interest.		
	- [CLICK] If appropriate, offer compensation for their inconvenience and trouble in the form of a coupon or on-the-spot-discount at the register.		
	- [CLICK] Always stay positive throughout your conversation and smile- it will show in your attitude as well.		
	ASK:  If there any questions or concerns or anything to clarify before continuing.		

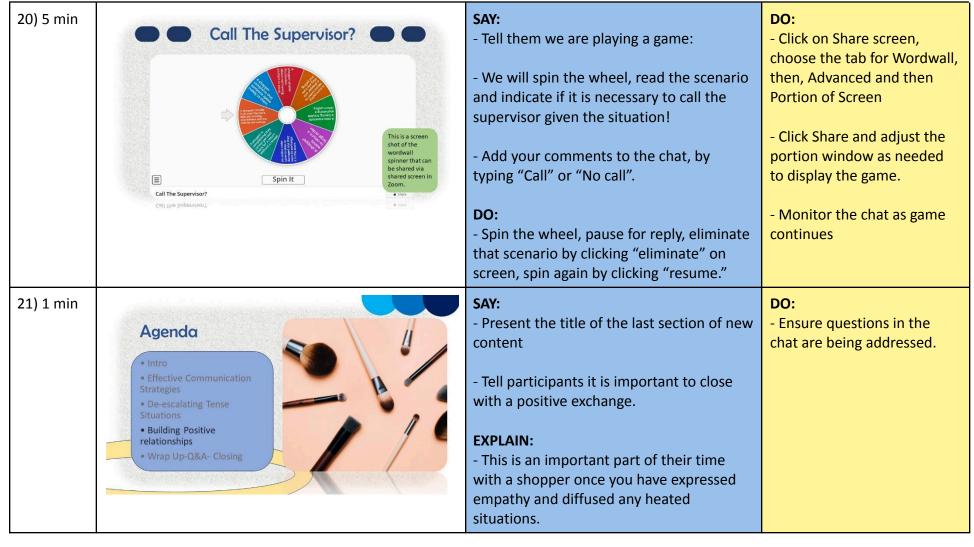
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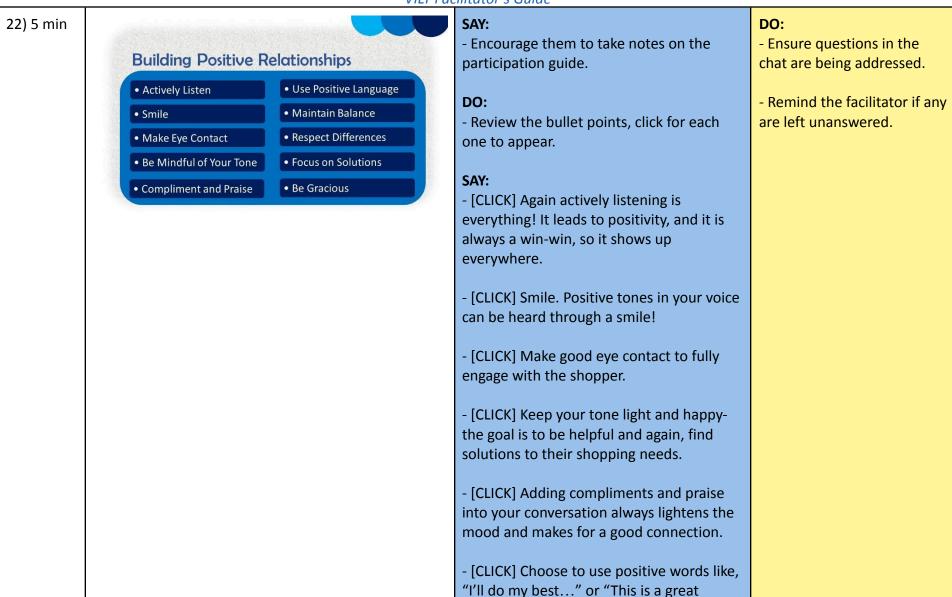
DO: 17) 3 min SAY: - Click on Share Screen after - Tell them we are going to take a couple Video Analysis minutes to watch a video about a shopping Facilitator introduces activity, scene between an associate and a shopper. then click on the Advanced tab at the top and share - Please watch carefully and think about Computer Sound, then what went well and what could have been Share. handled differently. reen to ollaboratively - It should not share a screen add sticky note: to reflect on - They will share ideas in just a minute on but only the sound for the what they saw the whiteboard. embedded video. DO: - Review the activity on the screen and [CLICK THE PLAY BUTTON] play the embedded example video - NOTE: It is about 2 minutes long. 18) 5 min SAY: DO: - Tell participants that you want their - Help monitor chat as Video Analysis, con't feedback. needed - Drop comments in the chat. Done Well? Learners can - [CLICK] What do you feel was done well drop comment in the chat as between the associate and the shopper? **Needed Improvement?** these prompts come up to reflect on video DO:



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	- [CLICK] If a shopper is asking for a policy exception that is beyond your purview or a large-scale change, it is best to involve a supervisor.		
	- [CLICK] If a shopper insists right away to speak to a supervisor, and things have already been tense, it is best to comply here as well.		
	- [CLICK] When tension mounts and starts to escalate, it is natural for us to raise our voice. Stay calm, but let the shopper know you will be happy to get a supervisor to help.		
	- [CLICK] Anytime you hear threatening language, contact a supervisor right away to mitigate the situation. It means frustration and anger have already settled in.		
	- [CLICK] The same situation applies to anything physical in anyway- this could mean being rough with the merchandise or even if the shopper is in your personal space.		
	ASK: - If there any questions or concerns or anything to clarify before continuing.		





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	option too." or "Of course, we want to find the best one for you!"		
	- [CLICK] Maintain balance in the conversation but letting the shopper provide ideas as well.		
	- [CLICK] Respect the fact that he/she may not be interested in your idea. Move on and ask questions that can lead you to something more along the lines of what they want.		
	- [CLICK] Stay the course on finding shoppers what they need- stay solution oriented.		
	- [CLICK] Show gratitude and respect at all times. This is good practice for any positive relationship.		
	ASK: - If there any questions or concerns or anything to clarify before continuing.		

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23) 1 min



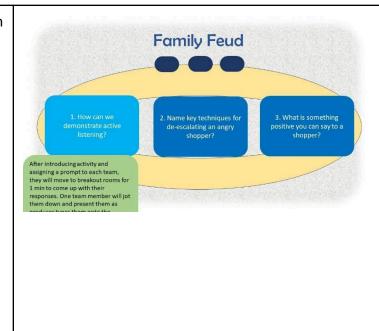
### SAY:

 Tell participants we are going to close with a game to review what we have learned and take time for a few questions before closing out.

#### DO:

- Ensure questions in the chat are being addressed.

24) 15 min



#### SAY:

- Tell participants this game will be played family-feud style and explain how it works.

### **EXPLAIN:**

- We will split you into two groups.
- They will read a question as you see above [CLICK ONCE].
- There will be three questions total.
- Teams will move into breakout rooms and discuss all possible good answers and one person will be the captain and write out the list.

#### DO:

- While Facilitator is introducing the activity, divide participants into two teams for breakout rooms and jot down a color for each team (for your reference for the sticky notes on whiteboard).
- Send them to rooms once Facilitator has explained everything and given the prompt to move.

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- We are looking for as many correct	- While teams are in
answers as possible.	breakout rooms, set up the
	whiteboard screen:
- The captain will share answers back here	- Click on Whiteboard at the
in the main room and the other team can	bottom of the Zoom screen,
respond if there are other ideas not	New Board, Collaborating
mentioned.	and then type in 2 text
	boxes: Team 1 and Team 2.
- We will meet back here in one minute so	
you have to be fast!	- Draw a vertical line to
	divide the board into two
DO:	columns.
- Review the activity on the screen and	
give the prompt to the teams	- Copy and paste the first
	prompt onto the screen and
- [CLICK] to show "How can we	use one color of sticky notes
demonstrate active listening?	to show answers as called
	out by team 1.
SAY:	
Ask to share responses:	- Then use another color of
- Team 1: what answers do you have?	sticky notes for team 2's
	answers if they have any new
- Team 2: anything they missed?	or additional responses.
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- Tell them we will return to the breakout	- Repeat this process for the
rooms for the next prompt.	two other questions.
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- Team 2 can share out first for question 2.	
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