

PERSONAL SPACE, TERRITORIALITY, AND VISUAL TERRITORY

Student Worksheet Answers

There are certain zones for personal space according. List the zone, the distance of each zone and under the circumstances that we use these zones.

<u>Zone</u>	<u>Distance of the zone</u>	<u>When is this zone used?</u>
1. Intimate	skin contact – 18 inches	Zone we guard the most and is most reserved for close friends and relatives, those that we love and that are emotionally close to us. Sign of trust. Sometimes forced to let people in.
2. Social	4 -12 feet	4-7 ft. is for salespeople, customers, and people who work together 7-12 ft. is for more formal and impersonal situations.
3. Public	12 feet and extends outward	Speakers and their audiences Classrooms

These distances give for personal space are according to our culture.

VISUAL TERRITORY

Penetrating visual territory is as uncomfortable as physical invasion.

Any glance lasting longer than three seconds is likely to be as threatening to you as someone who is standing too closely when walking in public.

TERRITORY

What are some examples of how we stake-out or mark our own territory-space that we consider to be private and our own?

Your room- it is yours whether you are physically there or not.

Desk in a class- even though it isn't assigned you always sit there

Spreading coats, books, or belongings on tables or chairs

Imitating birds: arrange objects around themselves in much the same fashion as a bird builds a nest.