

## Statement Analysis Interview Guide

1. Obtain original statement. Make at least 2 copies. Keep original unmarked.
2. Read for content. Count and number lines.
3. Box **incident/significant event**
4. Calculate in percentage % (PIE) for balance.
5. Record time in right column (named, o'clock time)
6. Highlight **equivocation** (words not phrases)
7. Underline **non-prompted negation**
8. Highlight **extraneous information**
9. Underline unique sensory and spatial details
10. Highlight **emotions** –not behavior—only emotions
11. Underline **persons** the first time they are mentioned and list in left margin.
12. Underline **unexpected nouns** and **changes in nouns** (draw line connecting the changes in nouns-explore what caused the change)
13. Highlight **present tense verbs describing past actions; passive voice; quality of verb; verbs/words of communication; stop action verbs** – remember not all verbs – just the ones that fall into any of these categories
14. Highlight moderating adverbs – **editing, intensifying** and **minimizing**
15. Circle **pronouns** (personal & possessive) in black. Note missing pronouns with ^.  
Note change from possessive pronoun to definite/indefinite article.
16. Circle **unexpected adjectives** in blue.
17. Reflect and analyze your results. Draft interview questions using the amplification format. Prioritize amplification questions. Conduct interview continuing to analyze. Interrogate if warranted.