4.4 REFLECTION AND ACTION WORKSHEET

Leadership Styles

Reflection

- 1. As you reflect on the assumptions of Theory X and Theory Y, how would you describe your own philosophy of leadership?
- 2. Of the three styles of leadership (authoritarian, democratic, and laissez-faire), what style comes easiest for you? Describe how people respond to you when you use this style.
- 3. One of the aspects of democratic leadership is to help subordinates take responsibility for themselves. How do you assess your own ability to help others help themselves?

Action

- 1. If you were to try to strengthen your philosophy of leadership, what kinds of changes would you have to make in your assumptions about human nature and work?
- 2. As you look at your results on the Leadership Styles Questionnaire, what scores would you like to change? What would you have to do to make those changes?
- 3. List three specific activities you could use to improve your leadership style.
- 4. If you make these changes, what impact will this have on others?