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**Types of Partners Activity**

Directions:In your group, decide which type of partner would be the best option to use in each scenario using the table below to make your decisions. Be prepared to back up your decision.

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| **Type of Partner** | **Participation in the Business** | **Relationship to Public** | **Degree of Liability** |
| **General** | **Active** | **Known** | **Unlimited** |
| **Dormant** | **Not active** | **Unknown** | **Unlimited** |
| **Limited** | **Not active** | **Known** | **Limited** |
| **Secret** | **Active** | **Unknown** | **Unlimited** |
| **Silent** | **Not active** | **Known** | **Unlimited** |

1. Juan needs a partner in his office supplies business.He does not want the person to be involved in the business for day-to-day operations so he can make the majority of decisions due to his experience. He would like to be responsible for the liabilities of the company but also credit his partner by letting the public know who it is. What type of partner would be good for Juan’s business? Explain your answer.

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2. Julie and Myra want to start a partnership making personalized pottery. Both want to be involved in the business, but Julie does not want to be known in the community as a partner. Both do not mind having unlimited liability for the business. What type of partners should each by for their business? Explain your answer.

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3. Kenneth’s landscaping business has been doing well but he needs more working capital to meet the increase in business. He would like to bring in a partner for the extra capital and to share the profits but who would also let him conduct all the business. He would his partner to be added to the name of the business as well. What type of partner should Kenneth have? Explain your answer.

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4. Russell has been a partner in a barbershop for 10 years. He is not known around town as one of the owners and does not make any management decisions. He knows that he will be held liable for anything that happens at the business. What type of partner is Russell? Explain your answer.

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