Observer Sheet: OARS

Listen for examples of the interviewer's use of each of the OARS responses. As you hear them, place a hash mark (|) in the appropriate row. Make notes of examples of each type of OARS responses that you heard.

Interviewer Response		Count (hash marks)	Good Example(s)
Questions	Open		
	Closed		
${f A}$ ffirmations			
Reflections			
Summarizations			
Roadblocks/Traps			

Goals:

Goal met?

1. At least twice as many Reflections as total Questions (combined Open & Closed).			
2. At least twice as many Open Questions as Closed Questions.			
3. Few Affirmations.			
4. One or two Summaries.			
5. Avoid Advice, Teaching, Confrontation.			