

Characteristics of the Four Phases - a Summary

	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Orientation	Mostly oriented	Mostly living in their own reality	Mostly internalizing needs and feelings	Withdrawn
Communication	Communicate well. Use full sentences.	Communicate. Lose words and create new words	Still communicating	Barely perceptible communication
Way of communicating	Denying, blaming, confabulating, Energetically and fearfully clinging to what they have not yet lost.	Verbally expressing needs and feelings with few filters	Expressing needs and feelings through movements and sounds.	Internalizing needs and feelings.
Typical behaviors	Some: Cling to symbolic objects like a purse, cane or chair; Hoard objects like food; Blame others for their own losses or forgetfulness; Otherwise, they come across as rather normal.	Some: Want to go home to care for family; Want to go to their old place of work; Live in a personal reality, using people and objects in the present to represent important people in the past.	Some: Use repetitive movements like pacing, pounding or folding; Use sounds to express themselves, like moaning, repeating one word or calling for help;	Some: Don't have any perceivable movement, facial expression or make a sound; Occasionally make a sound, or open their eyes. Mostly sit or lie in a chair or bed and do not respond.