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Talking Points:





Why we care: Keeping tough conversations free from emotional distraction allows people to listen, take accountability and respond with the desired behavioral changes. Take the four-question Speak the Truth quiz (found in the webinar slides) to determine how successful you are at Speaking the Truth without Making People Angry.

Avoid:

- Conversations that are attacking, pleading, disintegrating, shirking, soft pedaling, or that include "compliment sandwiches" (a criticism sandwiched between two compliments).
- "Trigger words" that instantly make people defensive ("you" language that attacks, adverbs and absolutes
 that exaggerate the facts, and negations and negative emotions).
- Interpretations ("Sally ignores everything I say"), emotional Reactions ("I'm really irritated at Sally"), and desired Ends ("Everything Sally writes has to be edited"). The F.I.R.E. model eliminates the IRE and keeps conversations focused on the Facts.

Instead: stick to fact-based communications that are candid, objective, specific, timely and unemotional ("Yesterday there were two typos in Sally's memo") by using one of three scripts:

I.D.E.A.L.S.: the foundation script used in most tough conversations with employees who have moderate self awareness, this conversation (which takes seconds to have) focuses on the facts, establishes accountability, and quickly moves on to finding solutions:

Step 1: Invite them to partner: "Would you be willing to have a conversation with me about (insert the facts)?"

Step 2: Disarm yourself: "I'd like to review the situation to make sure I'm on the same page as you."

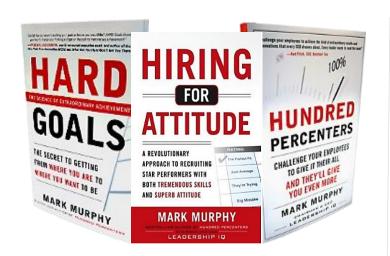
Step 3: Eliminate blame: "And if we have different perspectives, we can discuss those and develop a plan for moving forward."

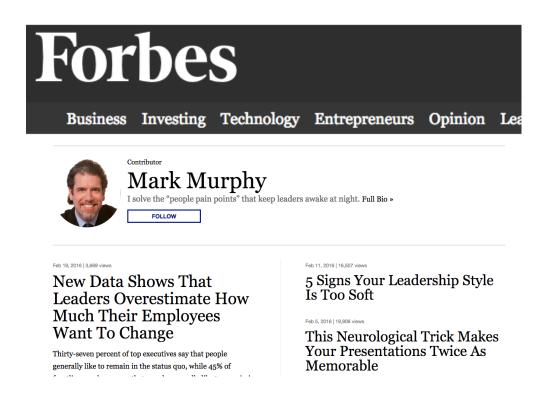
Step 4: Affirm their choices: "Does that sound OK? I can talk now, or if necessary, I have time later today."

Step 5: List corrective feedback: list the facts and then listen to determine whether or not they've made a corrective leap.

Step 6: Synchronize your understanding: "Tell me how you think we can work together to build on this and make things even more effective next time."

EVERYTHING BASED ON RESEARCH





http://www.forbes.com/sites/markmurphy

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BE MORE STRATEGIC WITH YOUR TIME

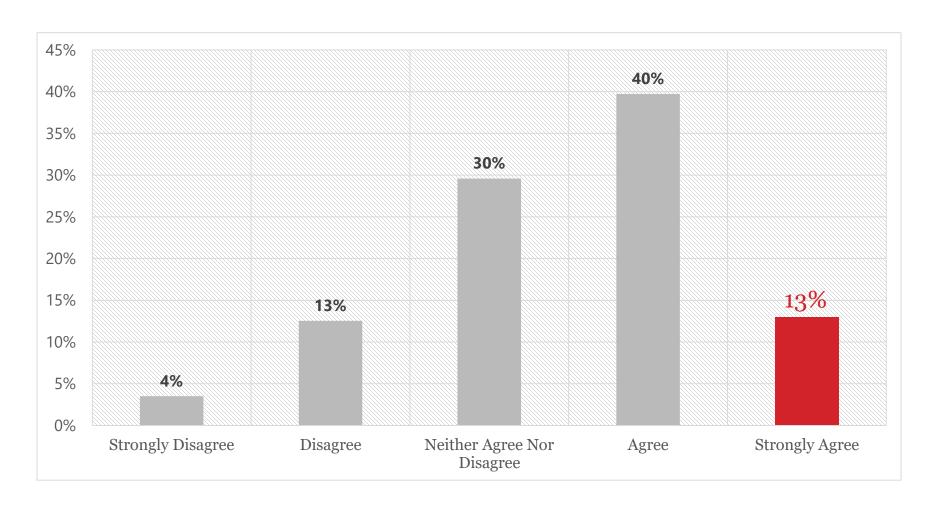


SHOCKING FACTS ABOUT YOUR TIME

- Using time-diary studies, it is found that people claiming to work 60 to 69 hours per week clocked an average of 52.6 hours, while those who believed they worked 70-80-hour or greater weeks totalled 58.8 hours. (Prof. Robinson, 2006-2007 comparisons, American Time Use Survey, Bureau of Labor Statistics)
- Most people actually use 60% or less of available work time. When more than 38,000 people in 200 countries were queried about individual productivity, it showed that even though they were physically at work five days a week, they were only productively using three days. (Microsoft Survey, March 15, 2005)
- On a typical day, office workers are interrupted about seven times an hour, which adds up to 56 interruptions a day, 80% of which are considered trivial, according to timemanagement experts. (Wendy Cole, TIME Magazine, 10/11/2004)

PERCENTAGE OF RESPONDENTS FOR THE QUESTION

"MY GOALS THIS YEAR WILL HELP ME MAXIMIZE MY FULL POTENTIAL."



easy	<u>or</u>	hard
inside comfort zone	<u>or</u>	outside comfort zone
little effort	<u>or</u>	lots of effort
knew everything	<u>or</u>	learned new skills
totally relaxed	<u>or</u>	amped up



TESTING LEARNING IN GOALS



Ask your employees what new skills (if any) they had to learn to achieve these goals.

If they aren't learning all sorts of new skills, then your goals are probably not hard enough.

Try making your goals 30% harder and then evaluate again in 3 months.

IF YOU PAUSE TO REFLECT BEFORE ACTING, YOU'LL **ACHIEVE BETTER RESULTS**

Table 2 Chances of stopping a penalty kick

	Jump direction				
		Left	Center	Right	Overall
	Left	29.6%	0.0%	0.0%	17.4%
Kick direction	Center	9.8%	60.0%	3.2%	13.4%
	Right	0.0%	0.0%	25.4%	13.4%
	Overall	14.2%	33.3%	12.6%] 14.7%

Action bias among elite soccer goalkeepers: The case of penalty kicks

Michael Bar-Eli ^{a,b}, Ofer H. Azar ^{a,*}, Ilana Ritov ^c, Yael Keidar-Levin ^a, Galit Schein ^b



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Table 2. Univariate Tests across Conditions, Study 1

	Reflection (n=56)		Practice (n=45)		T-test	
·-	Mean	S.D.	Mean	S.D.	t	Sig
		Control V	ariables			
Age	24.768	0.483	25.787	0.560	1.385	0.169
Gender	0.752	0.060	0.872	0.049	1.769	0.080
Work experience	31.245	4.483	26.930	4.053	-0.702	0.484
*		Dependen	t Variable			
Performance	71.536	1.308	54.422	3.088	-5.474	0.000

MAKING EXPERIENCE COUNT: THE ROLE OF REFLECTION IN INDIVIDUAL LEARNING

Giada Di Stefano **HEC Paris**

Francesca Gino Harvard University

6 months

What do I have to accomplish in 6 months in order to stay on track of that big one-year goal? 90

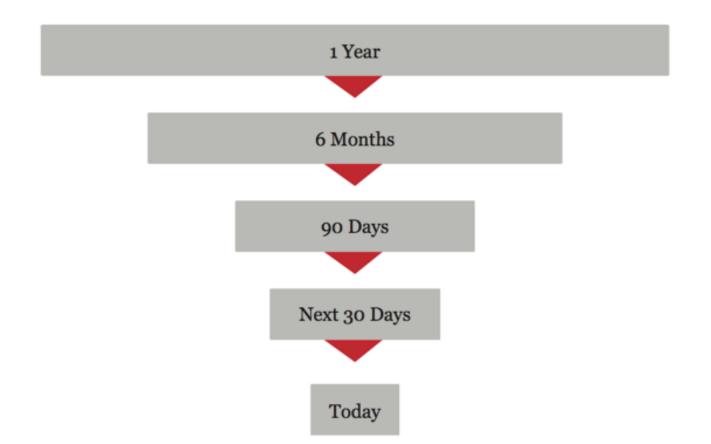
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What do I have to accomplish in the next 90 days to reach that 6-month mark? **30**

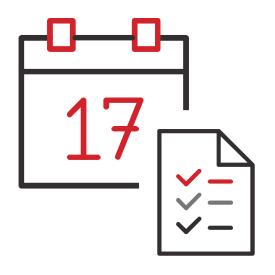
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What do I have to accomplish in the next 30 days to reach that 90-day mark? **Today**

What do I need to accomplish today to stay on track of it all and make today a successful day?



HOW DO YOU REPRIORITIZE YOUR DAY?



Practical Tips:

- > Begin your day with Green Light activities
- Lock your door, shut off your phone, email, email alerts, IM
- Do not respond to (or punish) those who interrupt your time
- "Procrastinate" is not always a dirty word

OVERCOME SUNDAY NIGHT BLUES

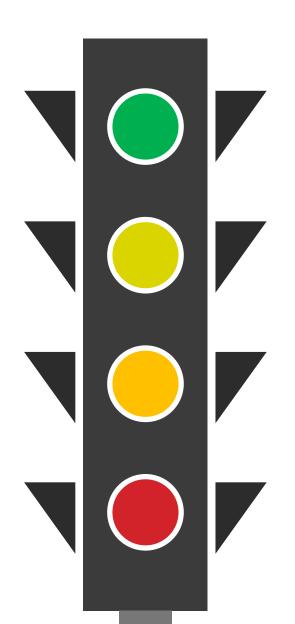


- > Prepare for Monday morning on Friday afternoon
- Use Friday afternoon to clean out inbox, straighten desk
- Write down your big accomplishments for the past week
- Write down anything stressing you about the next week and then map your plan for dealing with it
- Prepare your Monday morning goal plan (you can revisit it again on Monday morning)
- > Plan something fun for Sunday night
- Plan something fun for Monday night (or a cool lunch for Monday)

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FOCUS ON GREEN LIGHT WORK

PRIORITIES



Green Light work: You love doing it. You are great at it. You are uniquely qualified to do this work. This is why the organization hired you. It must be done.

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The big lie of the knowledge-working world is that we are really doing eight hours of work in our eight-hour days. The truth is we're doing about two-three hours of real work, just taking eight hours to do it. The overwhelming majority of workers aren't even using the productivity tools that are all around them. Constraints in business help increase efficiency and drive innovation. It's why three guys in a garage can disrupt a massive corporation. They are constrained with money and people, so they find creative hacks to compete. Those hacks that startups identify become a competitive advantage.

Stephan Aarstol, CEO

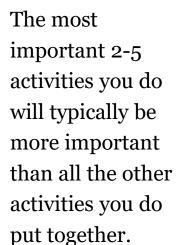
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SETTING PRIORITIES

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WASTEFUL WORK







Typically a small number of activities account for 90% of your success.



Benchmark leaders (the top .001% of leaders) spend 80-90% of their time where it counts... on Green Light (valueadded) work.

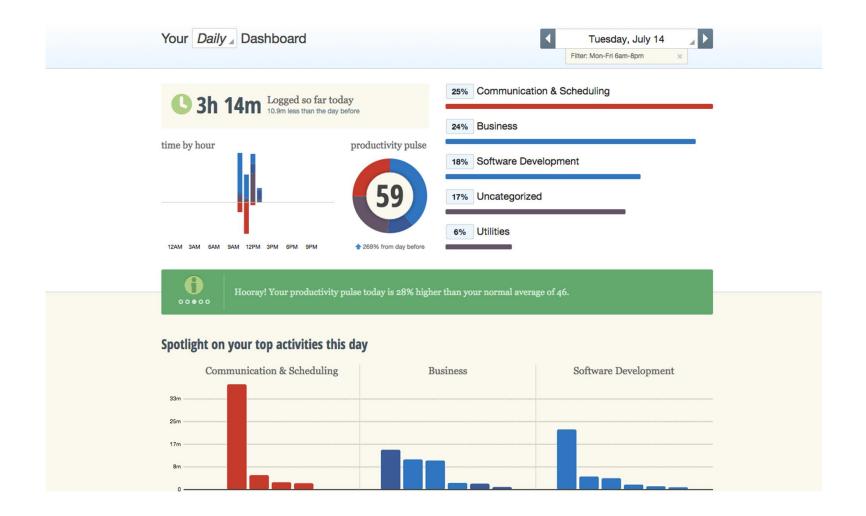


Average leaders spend *less than* 30% of their work-related time on Green Light value added work.

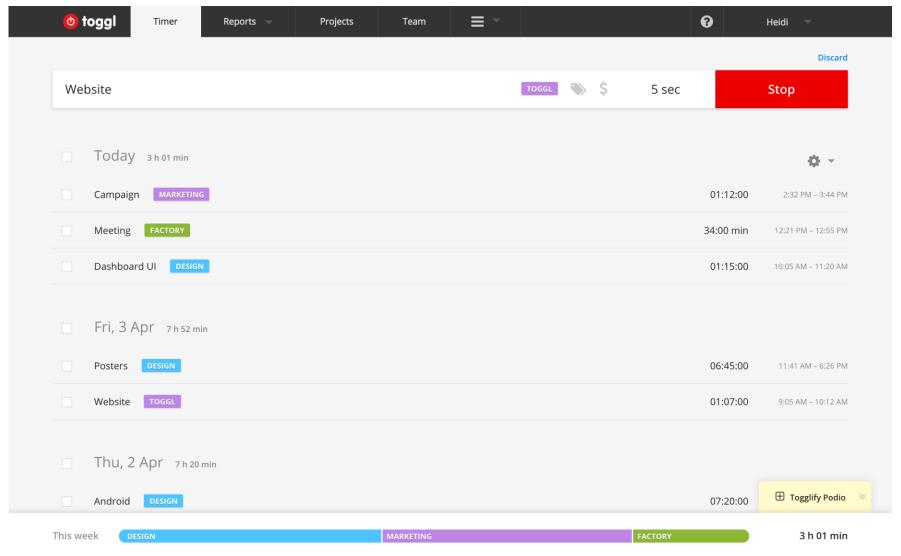
TIME ANALYSIS

Date	Task	Time Taken	Priority
5/23	Took coffee breaks	30 mins.	Red
5/23	Worked on budget for next year	15 mins.	Yellow
5/23	Filed paperwork	20 mins.	Red
5/23	Prepared report for planning meeting	30 mins.	Yellow
5/23	Attended planning meeting	30 mins.	Yellow
5/23	Re-worked Joe's productivity analysis	20 mins.	Red
5/23	Tracked down missing data on shift attendance	30 mins.	Red
5/23	Did evaluation for Alice	1 hr.	Green
5/23	Resolved conflict with shipping	1 hr.	Green
5/23	Taught orientation session to new employees	1 hr.	Green
5/23	People dropped in to chat	30 mins.	Red
5/23	Interviewed new candidates	2 hrs.	Green
5/23	Handled telephone interruptions	30 mins.	Red
5/23	Returned customer calls	30 mins.	Green

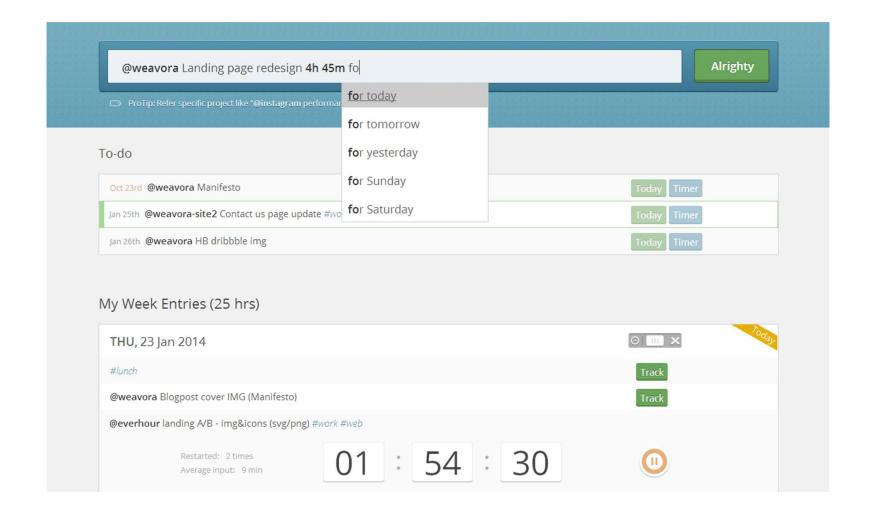
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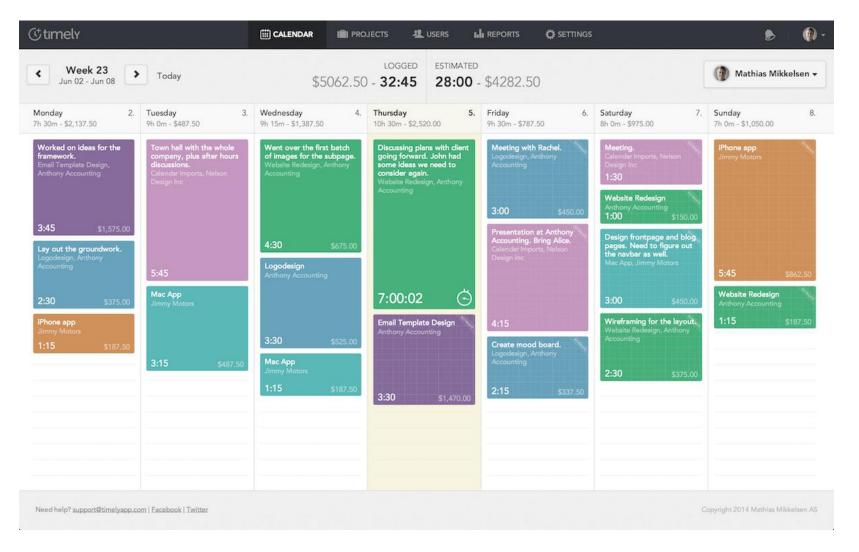
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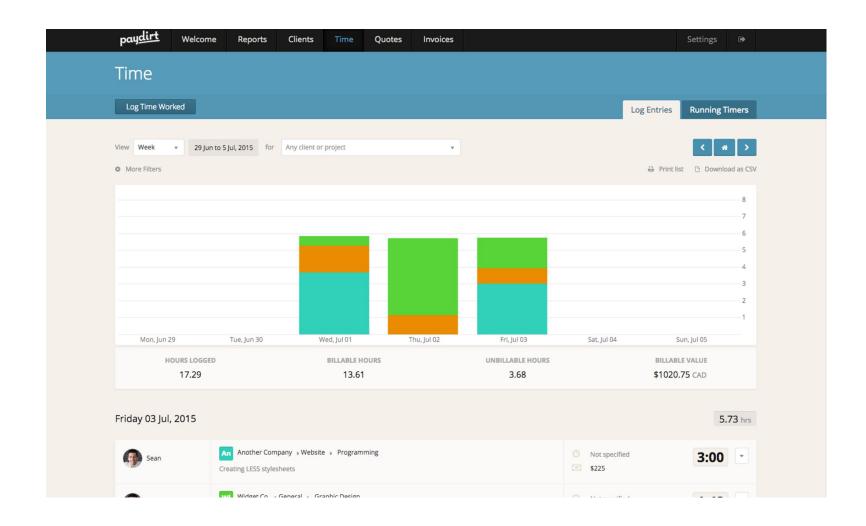
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TIMELY



PAYDIRT



CONFUSING ACTIVITY WITH ACHIEVEMENT

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Wasteful meetings (no point) 01

02 Wasteful meetings (off track)

Low performers (bad attitudes)

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04 Low performers (bad skills)

Nagging for incomplete work

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O6 Correcting wrong work

Communication breakdowns

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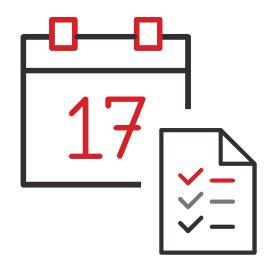
08 "Doing it yourself"

Repeating directions

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10 Mentally resetting from an off-track day

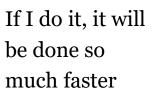
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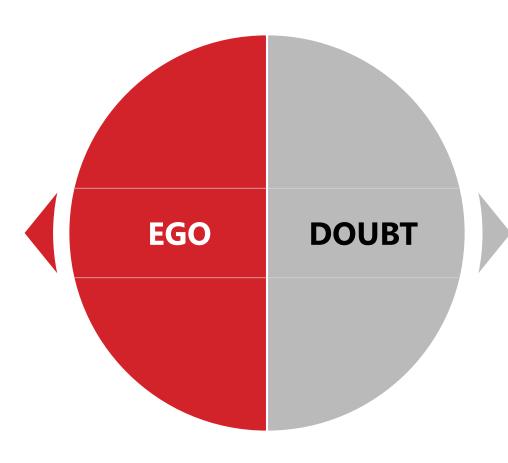
- Constrain the time you have available for Yellow Light activities.
- Erect barriers to keep time Green Light and Yellow Light activities separate.
- Practical Tips:
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03

DELEGATE & DEVELOP EMPLOYEES



I'm in charge, so I need to make all the important decisions



I'm not sure my people are ready for that responsibility

If it isn't the highest quality, I'm the one who will get in trouble

THE 6 P'S OF DELEGATION

01 Past History

04 Positive Expectations

O2 Priorities

05 Praising

03 Particulars

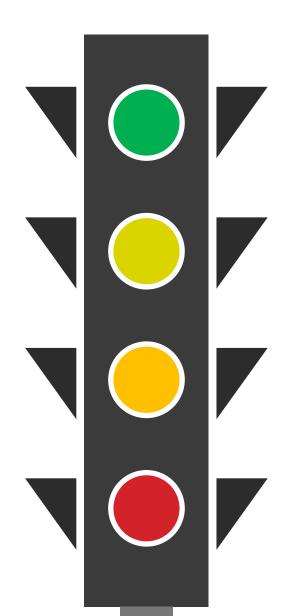
06 Process

#1. PAST HISTORY

Do you have reason to doubt your employees' abilities?

- ⇒ Did you hire good people?
- Are your employees getting good performance reviews?
- Are you generally happy with your staff?
- Do they have the right attitudes?

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#3. PARTICULARS



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END POINT

WHY

RESOURCES

OBSTACLES

Date, quantity, quality, color, boundaries, budget, behaviors, etc. Who benefits? Customers? Employees? What resources & authority can you use and NOT use?

Any obstacles that would prevent you from accomplishing this?

FOLLOW-UP IN WRITING



WHEN YOU'RE THE DELEGATEE...

- What specific results are expected?
- When are the results expected?
- What are the expected quantities, quality levels, etc.
- > What decisions am I authorized to make on my own?
- What money am I authorized to spend on my own?
- What resources, facilities, staff do I have access to?
- Who will benefit from this?
- What's the underlying reason we're doing this?
- Are there any possible obstacles to this?

In 20+ studies where "B Players" were assigned to managers who aggressively communicated their belief that they were not managing "average performers" but potential stars, productivity and performance increased 30-150%

"Don't screw this up"



"I have total confidence that you've got the talent and training to accomplish this"

#5. PRAISE

"Great job on that report"



"The way you got that report done ahead of schedule means a lot to the customer and the extra data analyses were really creative."

Timely smaller rewards more powerful than delayed bigger rewards

#6. PROCESS

Discuss with your employee

- How the project went from start to finish
- One thing you'd like to see more of
- One thing you'd like to see less of
- How your level of involvement worked or didn't work; did they need more guidance, less guidance
- How do they think similar projects would go in the future

04

WASTE LESS TIME IN MEETINGS



SHOCKING FACTS ABOUT MEETINGS

- Office workers spend an average of 4
 hours per week in meetings. They feel
 more than half of that time is wasted.
 (Opinion Matters, for Epson and the
 Centre for Economics & Business
 Research, May 2012.)
- The #1 time-waster at the office is "too many meeting, up from No. 3 in 2008," according to 47% of the surveyed. (Salary.com, 2012)
- Unnecessary meetings cost U.S.
 businesses approximately \$37 billion each
 year. (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics,
 2005)



FOCUS ON AN OBJECTIVE



90%+ of meetings fail to produce an identifiable achievement

When meeting participants were asked "Did this meeting accomplish its original objective?" the most common answer was "I have no idea"

FOCUS ON AN OBJECTIVE



Statement of Achievement

As a result of this meeting, we will have accomplished

If you can't answer, you can't meet



What are you personally going to achieve and by when?

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DECISION GRID



Statement of Achievement:

Finalize proposal for ACME



Topic

Pricing for ACME



Decision

Increase by 10% in All proposal sections



Who

Bill Smith



By When

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