Six Thinking Hats Guided Session

Step 1 – Define Your Problem

Step 2 – Use Lateral Thinking To Solve Your Problem

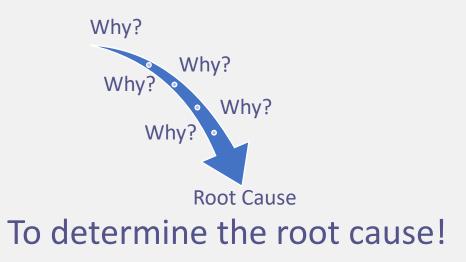


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Defining your Problem

Check it's the right problem

If I had an hour to solve a problem, I'd spend 55 minutes thinking about the problem and 5 minutes thinking about solutions. Ask why five times



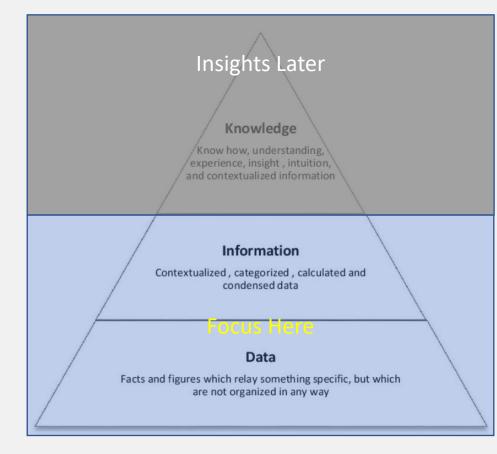
Types of problems could be:

- Relationships
- Job and work
- Finances
- Health (physical and mental)
- Addiction

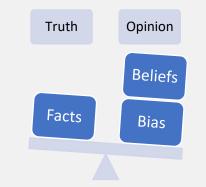
- Moving home
- Business decision
- Family
- Stress and Anxiety
- Life Changes



Objective Facts and Figures = Truth



Avoid subjective bias and personal beliefs



Data and Information Gathering

• Time

• Scope

• Trends

Location

Finances

- Research
 - Known vs Unknown
 - Facts Verified or Unchecked
 - Quantitative vs Qualitative
 - Laws and regulations



Recognises your emotions

Anticipates the emotions of others

Identify your hunches and intuitions



Different Feelings

- Love
- Joy
- Excitement
- Passion
- Pleasure
- Certainty
- Contentment
- Pride
- Ambition
- Desire

- Anger
- Anxiety
- Fear
- Frustration
- Pain
- Doubt
- Guilt
- Shame
- Indifferent
- Disgust





Value and benefits we **Expect to receive Seeks out Positive Opportunities** How ambitious do we want to be? What are the advantages of doing this?

Anticipated Rewards



The Risks and Weaknesses

Causes

- Flawed assumptions
- Uncertain environment
- Existential Threats
- Adverse Trends
- Obstacles



Caution!

Possible Consequences

- Loss (time and finances)
- Reputation Damage
- Legal violations
- Physical loss
- Security breaches



Growth, New Ideas and Alternatives

> Exercise Creativity to Seek Opportunities

Find Alternative Paths and Strategies for Achievement

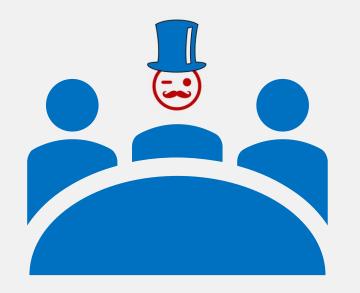
Focus on Growth



Always finish with the Blue Hat!

The Manager: Oversees the whole process

Make decisions and prioritise ideas



Structure and contextualise the inputs from all the hats

Form conclusions and next actions!