Managing Staff
Having Difficulty

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The Choice Point System illustrates that for most every decision, there is a moment in time where the decision is made. We call that moment a “Choice Point”.

The Choice Point System shows the people that:

- For every decision there is an Outcome.
- Often these Outcomes are Positive or Negative.
- If they look at the “Choice Point” and decide whether their choice is honest and kind, it will help guide them to a positive outcome.
- Because they have the ability to choose, they are responsible for the results of their decisions.
- Feelings and the outcomes are an indication of whether your making, or have made, a positive or negative choice.
- If they ended up with a negative consequence, at some point they made a decision that led them to that outcome.
LEADERSHIP

Defined:

Negative Leadership Is:

Positive Leadership Is:

Why and How it Goes Awry:

How I Will Stay on Course:

TRUST

Motivate
Inspire
Lead by Example
Empower

Compassion Based
Constructive Criticism

Incident

Resentments, Oh Resentments, how we deplore.
If it wasn’t for Resentments I’d be happy and peaceful for evermore.

Make a Conscious Choice
Problem Solve (Sheet?)
Deal with issue / Get Support
Release the Energy

Resentment Circle
DRIVERS
Positive Beliefs

I am important.
I belong.
I am good enough.
I matter.
I’m smart.
I’m a great manager

Negative Beliefs

I am not important.
I don’t belong.
I am not good enough.
I don’t matter.
I’m stupid.
I’m a lousy manager.

I’m on the right track.
I’m good.
I am worthy.
I’m capable.
I’ll never amount to anything.
I’m bad.
I am not worthy.
I’m not capable.

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THE PURPOSE OF COMMUNICATION:

HOW IT GOES AWRY:

WHY IT GOES AWRY:
Internal Dialog
How Your Thoughts Create Your Reality

Key Negative Thoughts:

Key Negative Beliefs:

True Thoughts:

True Beliefs:
When you act from a place of objectivity, you'll think clearer and get better results!

This is an illustration of what you can do when you’re emotionally charged about something. It may be a disagreement, a comment, a look – anything someone might say or do, or not say or do.

You’ll also notice how often you are at “Choice Points” during these periods. The key is to stay centered, objective and problem solve.

This shows how:

- Often, our reaction or “trigger” is often just made up of static. The static is what causes conversations that start off at topic “A” to end up at topic “Z”. These are those reactions / emotions that have nothing to do with the original topic, or the present.

- “Static” is often times superfluous energy with no purpose. It can be unresolved anger, fear, a “stuck” indicator or personal sabotage. Awareness is the key, then you can shift it.

- When you notice your emotions are a bit out of whack, the first thing to do is to Stop your part in what’s happening. Next, Think about your emotional level, inquire internally as to what is going on. If you can unhook things quickly, do continue. Once you’ve connected with what’s going on for you, problem solve using your objective judgment skills and Act!
Self Awareness for My Goal

Changes I Want to Make/ What it Will Feel Like:

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How I Might Sabotage My Goal / The Changes I Want:

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What I Will Do to Prevent This:

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What Must I Believe About Myself:

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How I Will Reinforce This Belief:

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I’m OK / You’re OK
(notes)

DRAMA TRIANGLE

PERSECUTOR

RESCUER

VICTIM

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**Self Communication Assessment**

Use this in your mind (internally) when you find yourself overreacting to something someone has said or done.

1) I am Feeling ___________.

2) Because when he/she ________,
   (said/did)

3) I thought it meant that I am ________________,
   -Negative belief about yourself-
   (Bad, Stupid, Not Enough, etc.)

4) What is true is that I am ____________!
   -Opposite of negative belief-

(#4 is what you really want to hear - and what's true!)
Repeat this often to yourself.

Use this tool when you notice you are overreacting to a comment, situation or other trigger.

By using this tool you will be removing the “Filter” -or negative belief/ driver about yourself. The result is you will be present, in the moment, and able to think clear.

Here’s an example. Say you were to meet someone at a certain time, and they forgot. You might feel Angry and think that you are unimportant because they forgot to meet you.

Using this assessment tool, you would put your feelings in the **first line**. “I am feeling Mad.”

Next, you’d put what they did in the **second**. “They didn’t show up.”

What did you think their not showing up meant about you? You’re looking for the negative belief or “Driver” here. Ah, that you aren’t important. (See also the negative driver list in your handbook.)
Write in the **third line** - “I am not important.”

Now you know that isn’t true. No matter how much you want to believe it. Whatever negative belief/ driver you put here simply is FALSE!

Write the opposite of your result for line three on **line four**. “I am important”. Now repeat this to yourself internally. This will help you to not take what’s happening personally. You are countering this driver and taking control of what’s really going on.

Using this tool will help you to not take things personally and will take the “charge” out of conflicts.

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LEARNING STYLES

AUDITORY

VISUAL

KINSESTHETIC

COMMUNICATION BARRIERS:

FEAR

MISUNDERSTANDINGS

Assumptions

Solutions:
Think of a person you’re having difficulty with. What might YOUR filters be that are distorting what’s really going on?

1.______________________________________________________________________________
2.______________________________________________________________________________
3.______________________________________________________________________________

What might THEIR negative driver be?

1.______________________________________________________________________________
2.______________________________________________________________________________
3.______________________________________________________________________________

How are you going to use this information to help your working relationship with them?
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**Break Through Communication Skills**

**Option A**
- **Internal**-

  (Internally) I am feeling ________________

  (Internally) When they (said or did) ______________

  (Internally) Did they really mean ____________?

  *If you are still hooked, consider using the Self Communication Assessment.

**Option B**
- **Asking for Information**-

  (Internally) I am feeling ________________

  (External) When you (said or did) ______________

  (External) Did you mean ____________?

  Decide to give them more information or not about what’s going on for you. This depends on your trust level and investment in the person.

**Description**

**Option A** is merely to check out if you heard correctly or if you “miss-filtered” it. When you’re not sure what someone said, merely ask them what they meant and find out. Then, problem solve from there. It’s a great way to check your “Filter!”

**Option B** is how to check out what someone meant when they said or did something. It clears up misunderstandings. This requires a level of trust.

**When using Option B**, the person asking the questions may be open and vulnerable, so this tool should only be used with someone you trust - in a situation that is safe and open.

**Break Through**

This approach helps stop misunderstandings, allows you to really understand another person and can help you to not take things personally. You’ll get that you are separate and OK.

Use this tool when you notice a reaction or “HOOK” when someone says or does something.

(Yes, even in the boardroom 😊)

You can use this process which is external – or the Self Communication Assessment which is internal.

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Positive Change System - DIGGER

What’s not working?

Did I create it or have a part in it?
(Really look at this one. It may be subtle.)

What Ground Rule / Personal Value did I break in this?

What did I do to create or take part in it?

How was I was feeling before I created it -or made a choice.
(Was it MAD, FRUSTRATED, CRANKY GLAD, SCARED, WORRIED, SAD, something else?)

What I really wanted was:
(Something that is Healthy, Honest Kind and Respectful, and okay to have. Realize you can’t change others. It starts with you.)
Positive Change System - CHANGER

What will I choose now to not take part in creating this, or creating this directly? (Look at Honesty, Kindness and Respect. Did you React? Was it Anger? Were you believing a Negative Belief about yourself? Look at the Choice Point System. What Choice can YOU make that will change the outcome?)

Do I need support to make this new choice? To consistently make it? If so, what am I willing to do for myself? (You'll notice this is about and for you.)

Do I need to do anything about the feeling? (Breakthrough, Self Communication Assessment, Anger Release, Talk with Someone, Other?)

Do I need to do something to get some of or all of what I want? (This is something that is HEALTHY to have. It also is okay to have, doesn’t harm you or anyone else. It’s not in anger, not demanding and is honest kind and respectful. Ideas like: Be less demanding with me / Create peaceful time for me / Create fun time for me.)
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