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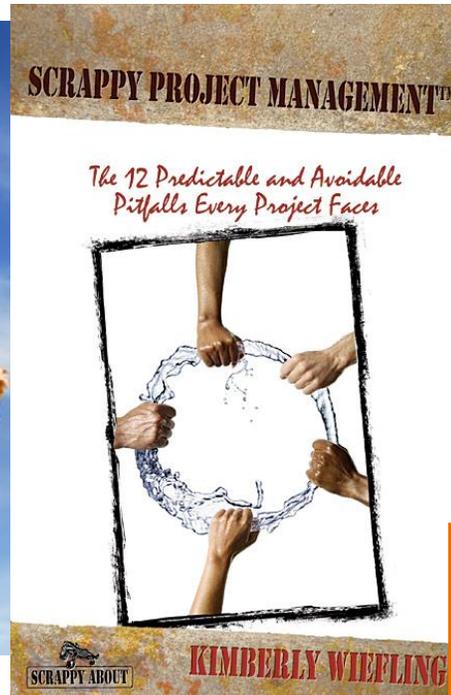
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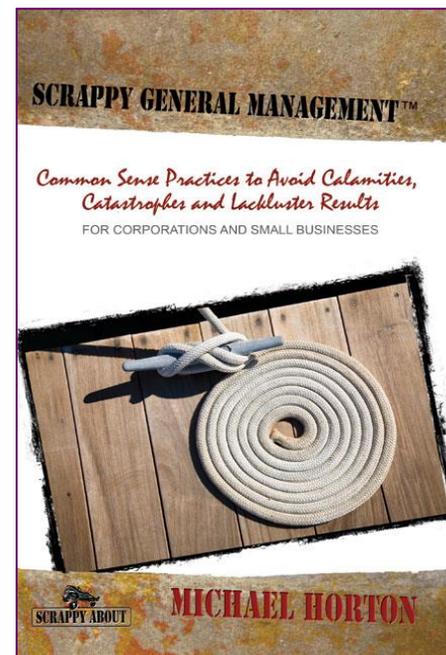
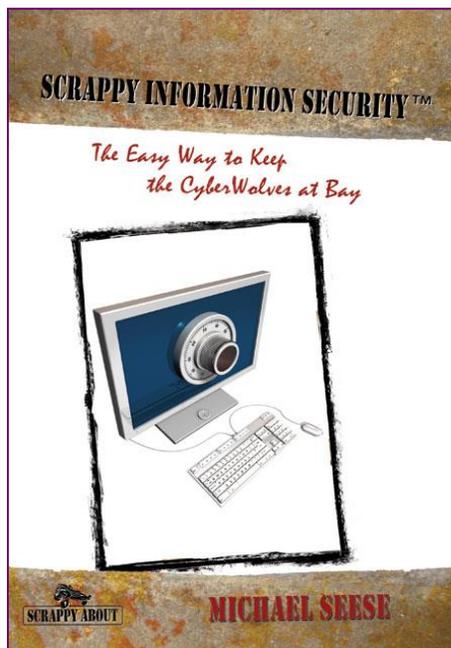
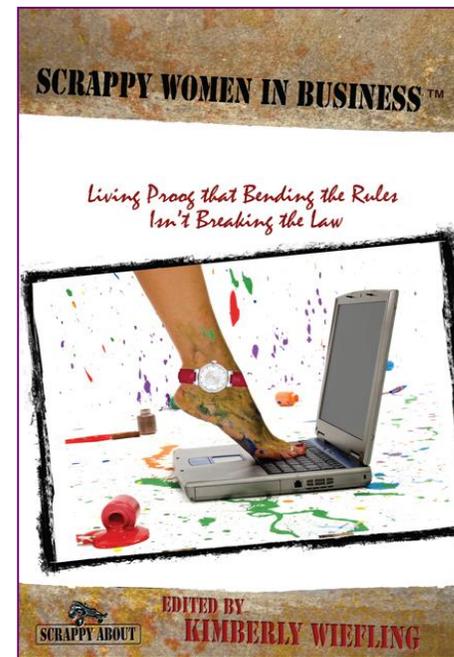
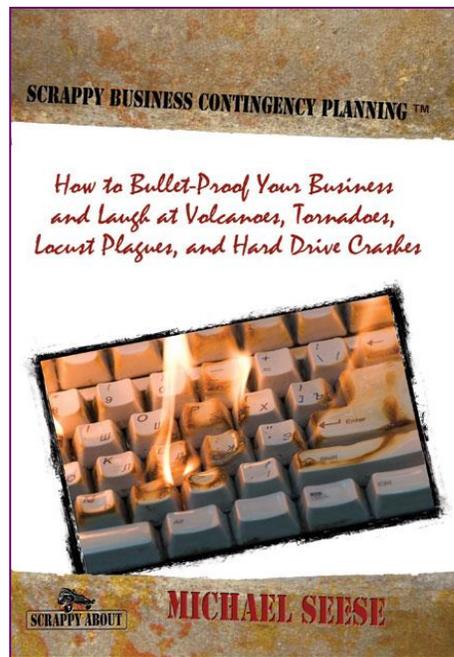
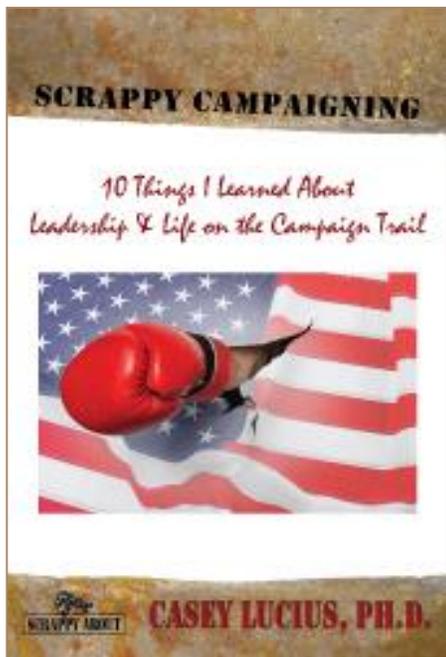
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## Who We Are and What We Do

Silicon Valley-based Founding Team



Management isn't the same as Leadership . . .

. . . and a "Group of People" isn't the same as a True Team.

Knowing HOW to do something changes nothing



Percent of  
Americans  
Who Find  
Their Jobs  
Interesting?

~50%

Percent of  
Americans  
Happy with  
Their  
Careers?

< 50%



# Percent of Americans Who are Satisfied with Their Boss?

~50%



A new word was invented!



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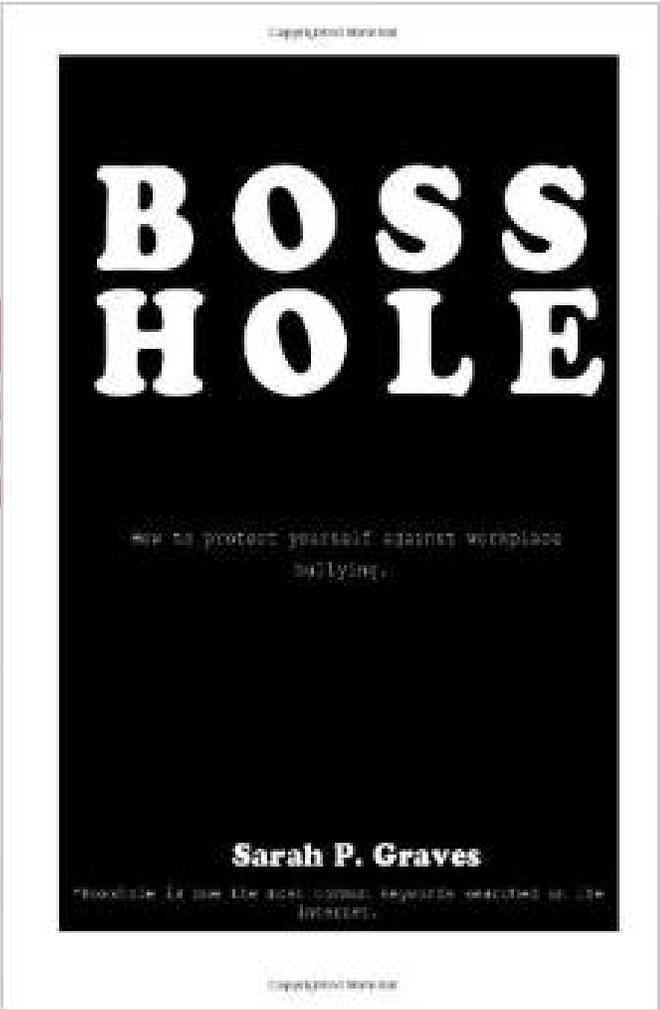


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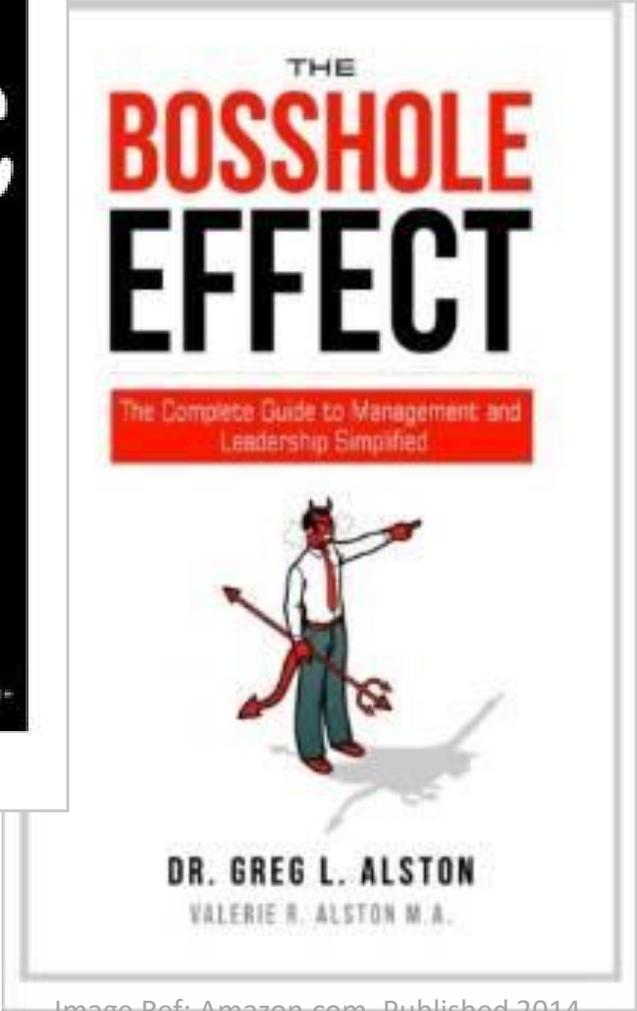


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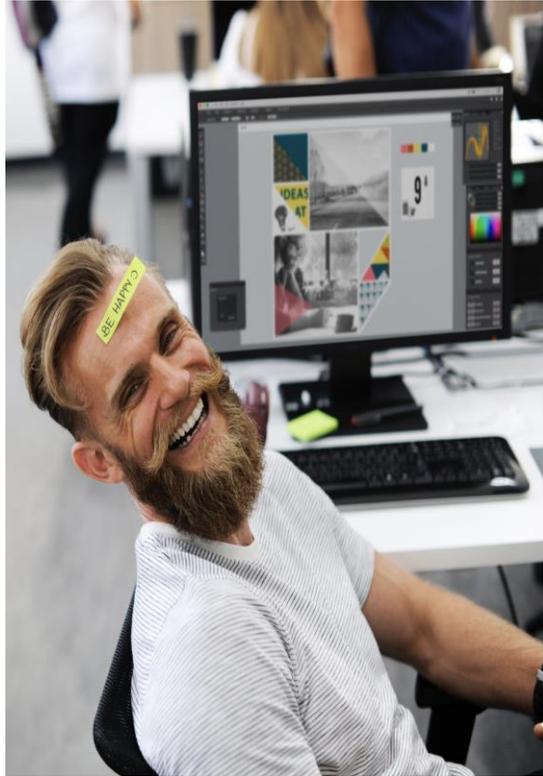
# The Conference Board

## “Employee Engagement in a VUCA World,” 2011

“(Engagement is) a heightened **emotional connection** that the employee **feels** for his/her organization, that, in turn, influences him/her to apply additional **discretionary effort** to his/her work.”



# Employee Engagement



Engaged



NOT Engaged



Actively DIS-engaged

# Employee Engagement

- Engaged
  - work with passion and feel a profound connection to their company. They drive innovation and move the organization forward.
- Not Engaged
  - are essentially “checked out.” They’re sleepwalking through their workday, putting time — but not energy or passion — into their work.
- Actively Disengaged
  - aren’t just unhappy at work; they’re busy acting out their unhappiness. Every day, these workers undermine what their engaged coworkers accomplish.

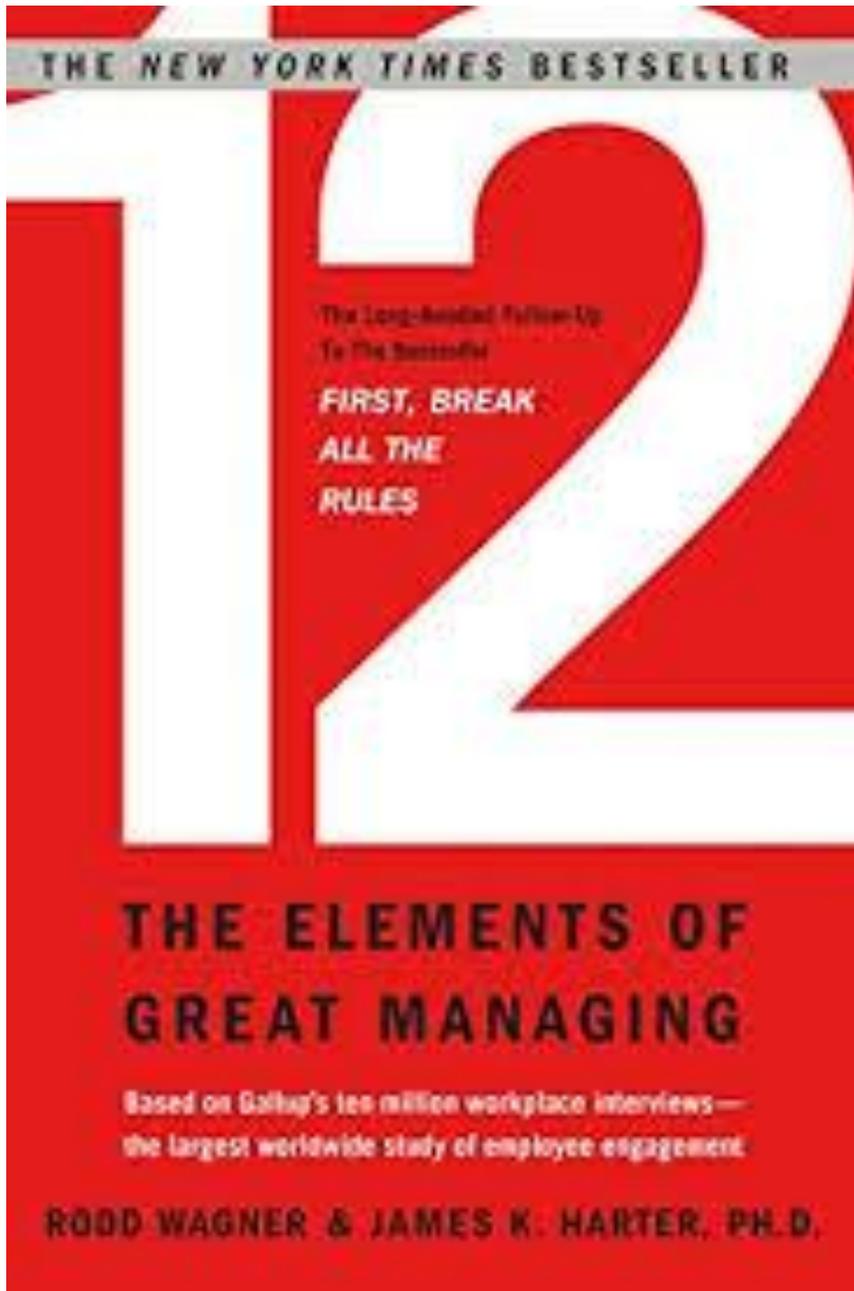


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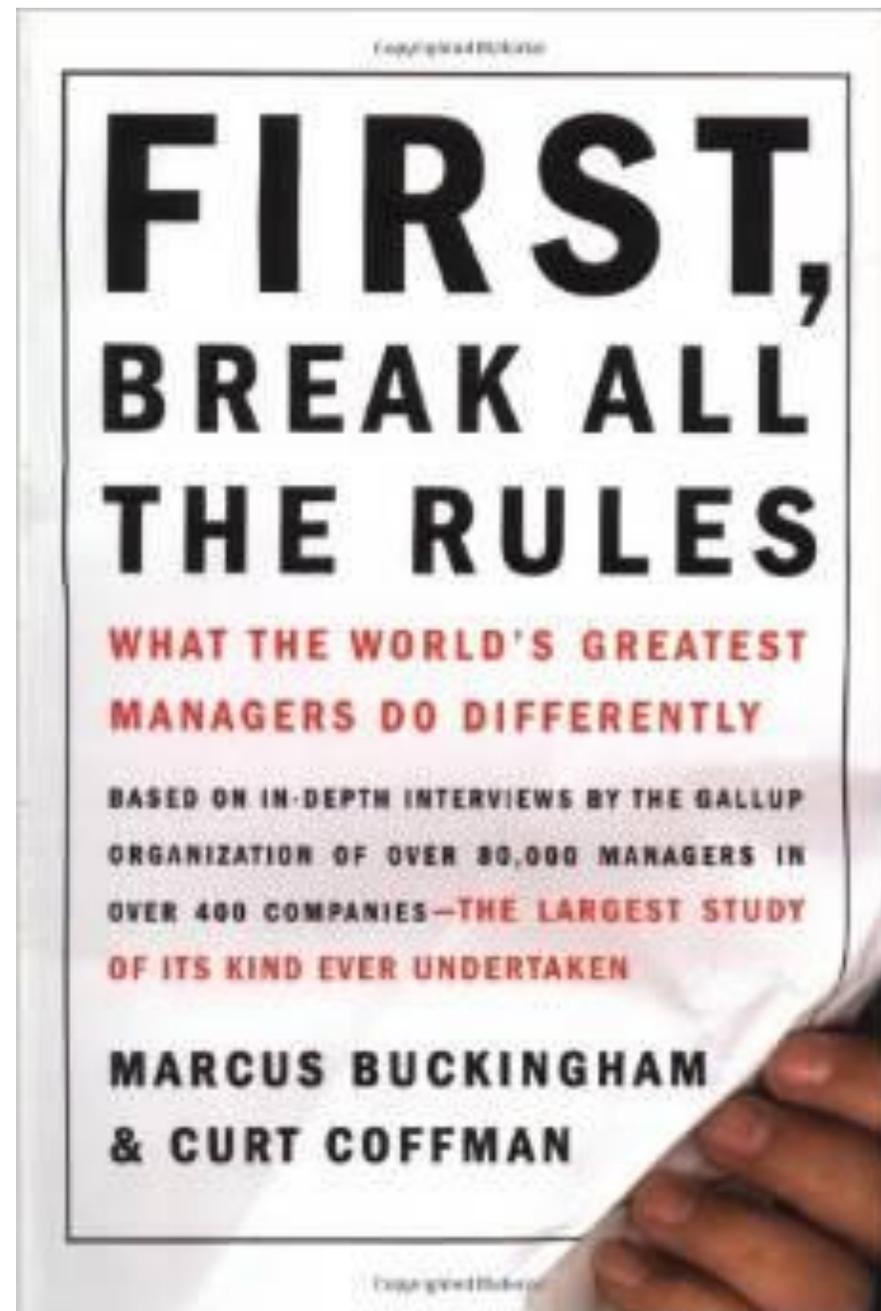
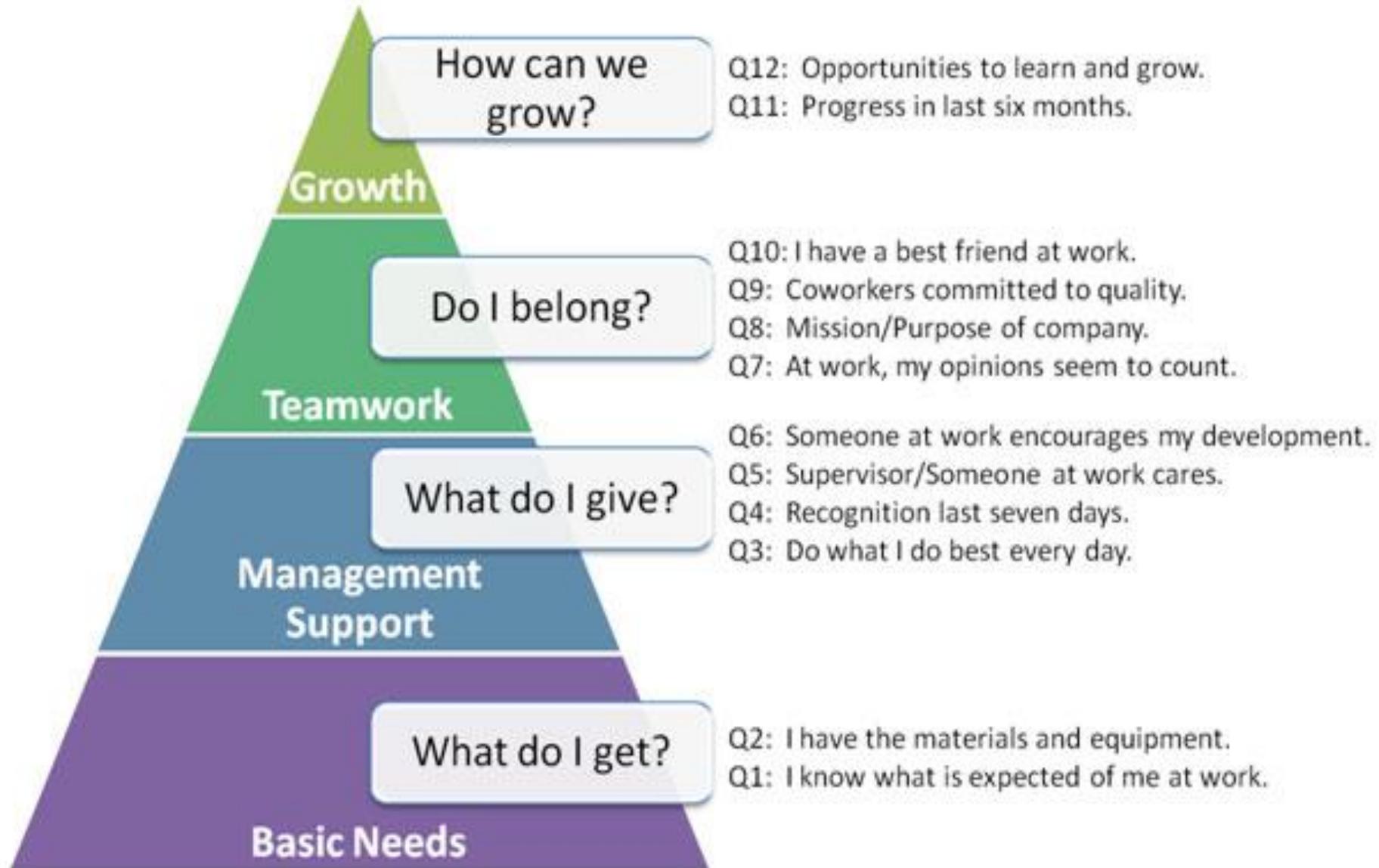


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# Gallup Engagement Hierarchy



*Ref: The Q12 is the property of the Gallup Organization*

# Gallup Q12<sup>®</sup> Employee Engagement Survey

1. Do I know what is expected of me?
2. Do I have the materials and equipment I need to do my work right?
3. At work, do I have the opportunity to do what I do best every day?
4. In the past seven days, have I received recognition or praise for good work?
5. Does my supervisor, or someone at work, seem to care about me as a person?
6. Is there someone at work who encourages my development?
7. At work, do my opinions seem to count?
8. Does the mission of my company make me feel like my work is important?
9. Are my co-workers committed to doing quality work?
10. Do I have a best friend at work?
11. In the past six months, have I talked with someone about my progress?
12. At work, have I had the opportunity to learn and grow?



GET THE SURVEY HERE:

<https://www.gallup.com/access/239210/employee-engagement-survey.aspx>

# Engaged Employees

- They have CLEAR GOALS.

- They feel:
  - IMPORTANT
  - COMPETENT
  - SUPPORTED
  - APPRECIATED



- TRUST: Q12 scores improve when you build trust in your organization.
  - Without Trust, employees disengage, and Q12 scores (and profits) plummet.

# Gallup's global survey of 142 countries and 20,000 people: (2012, 2013, 2017)

| Country        | % Engaged                | % Not Engaged  | % Disengaged |
|----------------|--------------------------|--|--------------|
| UK             | 17                       | 57   | 26           |
| France         | 9                        | 65   | 25           |
| Germany        | 15                       | 61   | 24           |
| Western Europe | 10%                      | IMPROVEMENT REQUIRES: adopt management strategies that more effectively prioritize employee development, positivity & future orientation |              |
| USA            | 30 → 33%                 | 52   | 18           |
| Japan          | 7 → 6%                   | 69   | 24           |
| Australia/NZ   | 24% - 2013<br>14% - 2017 | 60   | 16           |

Ref: Gallup State of the Global Workplace Reports

Ref: <http://rudlinconsulting.com/like-a-marriage-gone-stale-why-is-japanese-employee-engagement-so-low/>

# Over 80% of Global Business Teams failed to reach their goals!



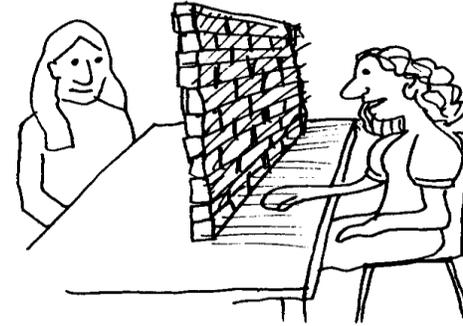
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# Why Global Business Teams Fail

#1-They fail to build trust.



#2-They cannot overcome communication barriers.



#3-Goals of individual team members are not aligned with the team.



#4-The team goals are unclear.



# Most Examples are NOT “Global” Issues!

## #1-They fail to build trust.

Examples: Failing to establish shared team values. **Failing to share control across borders** and across the team. Failing to link rewards to team performance. Team leaders who lack credibility, experience in process management, conflict resolution, team integration, problem-solving.

## #3-Goals of individual team members are not aligned with the team.

Examples: Teams compete for resources **among subsidiaries**. Team charters/goals create internal competition.

## #2-Can't overcome communication barriers.

Examples: **Lack of language skills and cross-cultural skills**. Lack of face-to-face meetings. Failing to establish team behavior norms. Insufficient tools for encouraging debate and identifying alternatives. Lack of using data to drive decisions.

## #4-The team goals are unclear.

Examples: Many teams do not take time to define their charter, agenda, scope and deliverables at the beginning.

#1

They fail to build trust.



# What makes a “Great Place to Work”

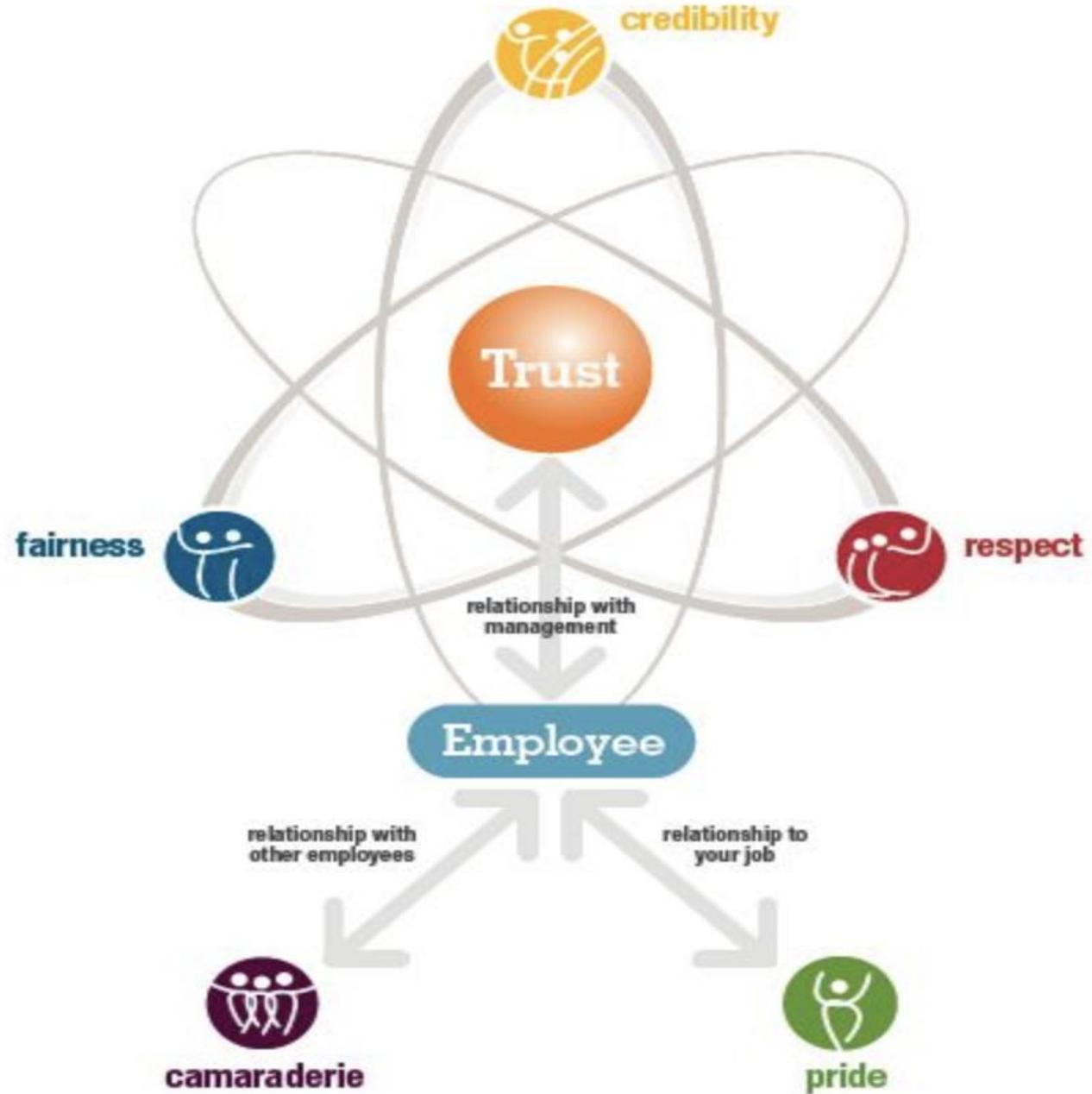
## TRUST

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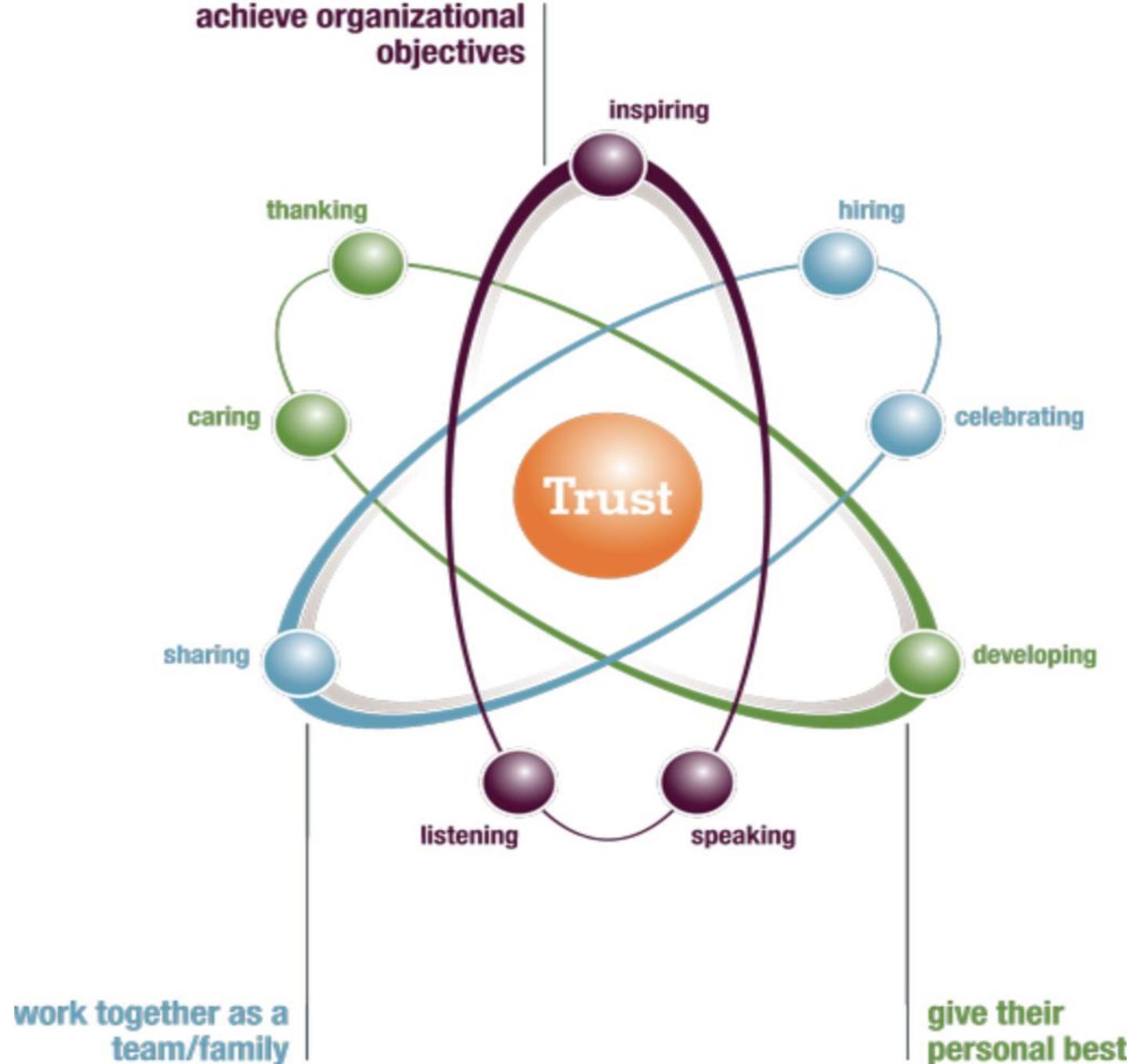
- 4 Elements of Trust . . .
  - That the other person CAN . . .
  - That they WILL . . .



# Employees & Trust



# Organization Trust



| Dimension   | How it Plays Out in the Workplace |   |   |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| Credibility | T<br>R<br>U<br>S<br>T             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communications are open and accessible</li> <li>• Competence in coordinating human and material resources</li> <li>• Integrity in carrying out vision with consistency</li> </ul>                      |     |
| Respect     |                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support professional development &amp; show appreciation</li> <li>• Collaborate with employees in relevant decisions</li> <li>• Care for employees as individuals with personal lives</li> </ul>       |    |
| Fairness    |                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Equity—balanced treatment for all in terms of rewards</li> <li>• Impartiality—absence of favoritism in hiring and promotions</li> <li>• Justice—lack of discrimination, process for appeals</li> </ul> |    |
| Pride       |                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In personal job, individual contributions</li> <li>• In work produced by one's team or work group</li> <li>• In the organization's products and standing in the community</li> </ul>                   |   |
| Camaraderie |                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ability to be oneself</li> <li>• Socially friendly and welcoming atmosphere</li> <li>• Sense of "family" or "team"</li> </ul>  |  |

Source: The Great Place to Work® Institute. \*The Great Place to Work® Institute selects the "100 best companies to work for" for Fortune Magazine and has studied employee experience in the workplace for nearly 25 years.

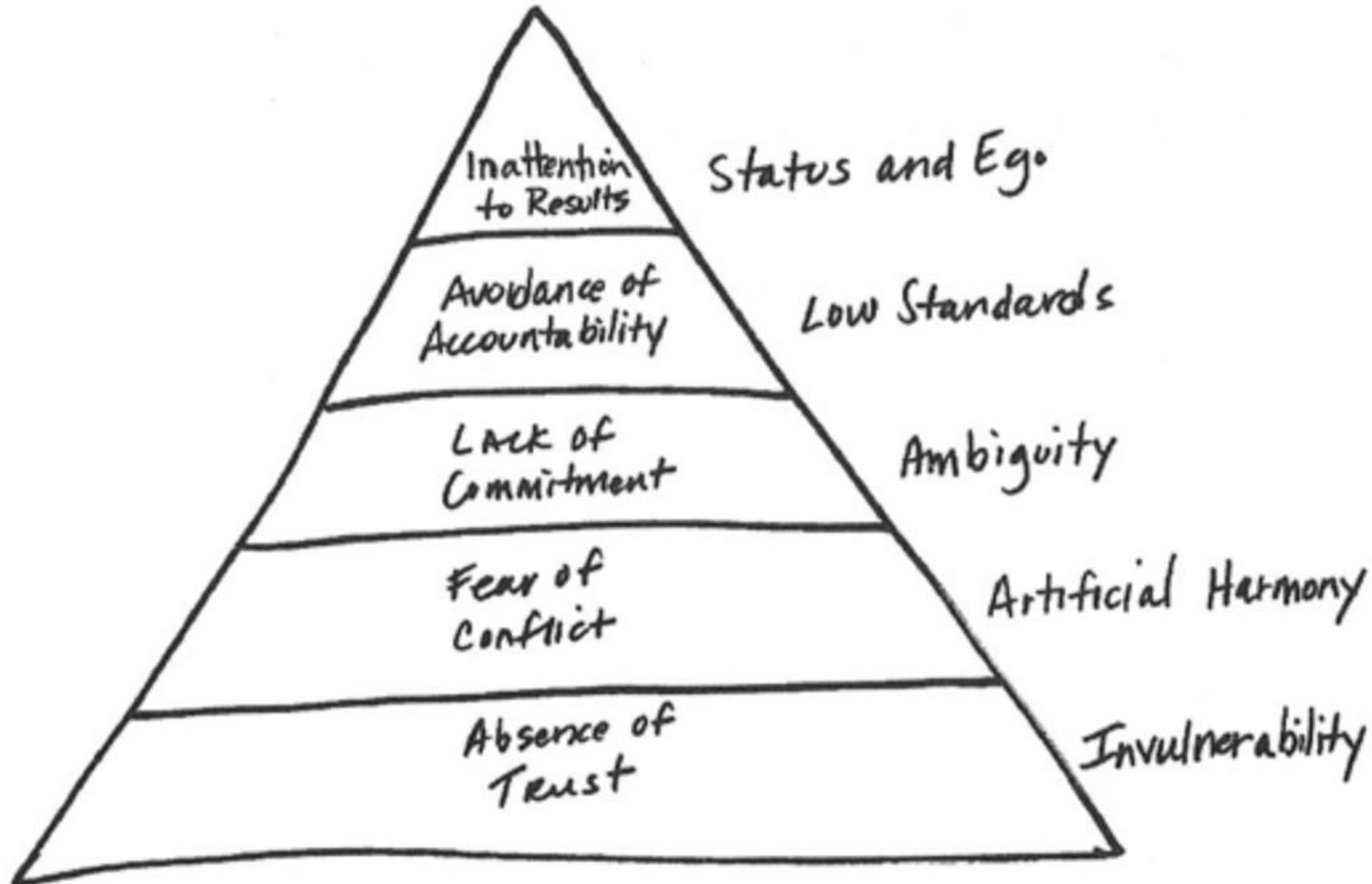
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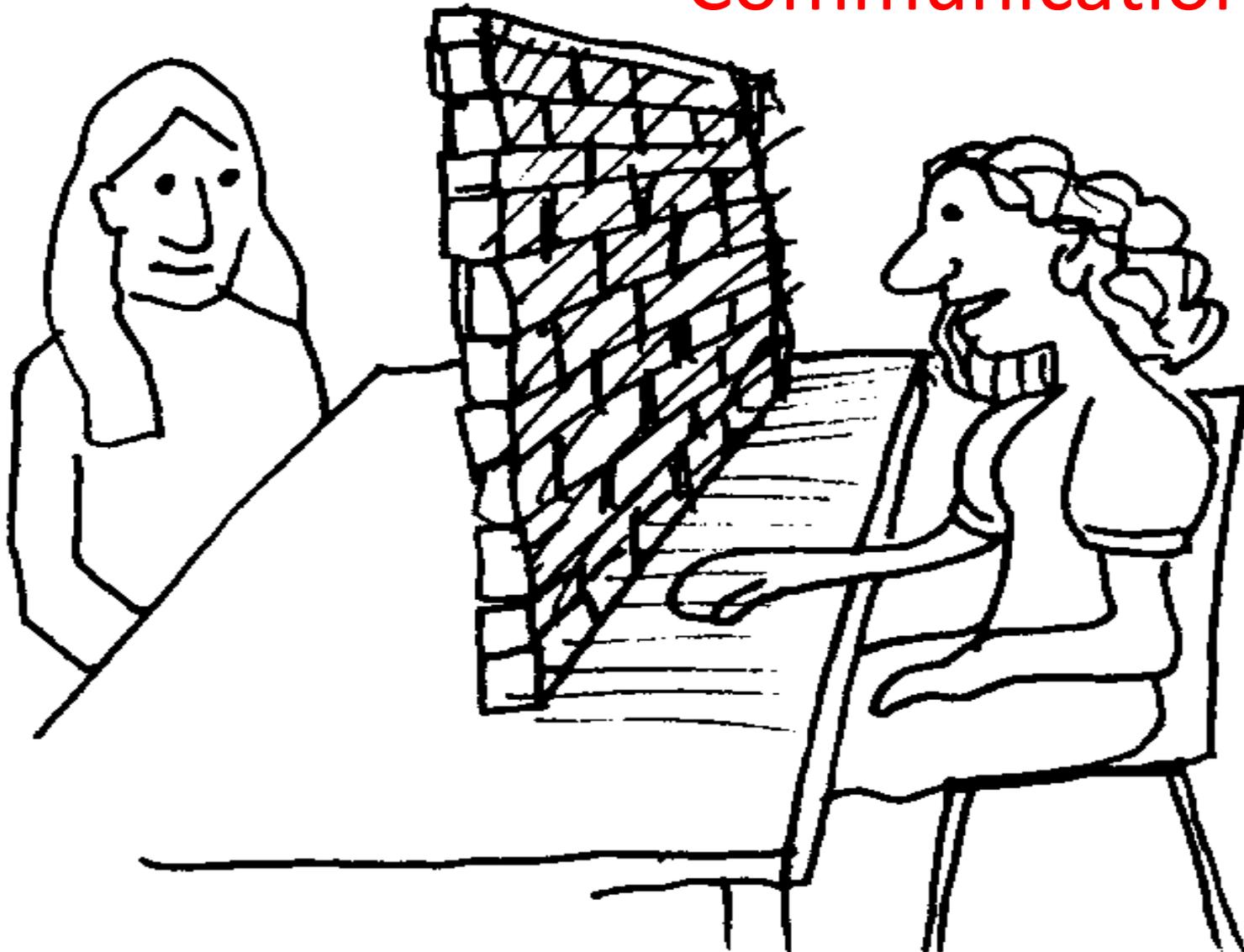
# The 5 Dysfunctions of a Team Model

and underlying causes of dysfunctions



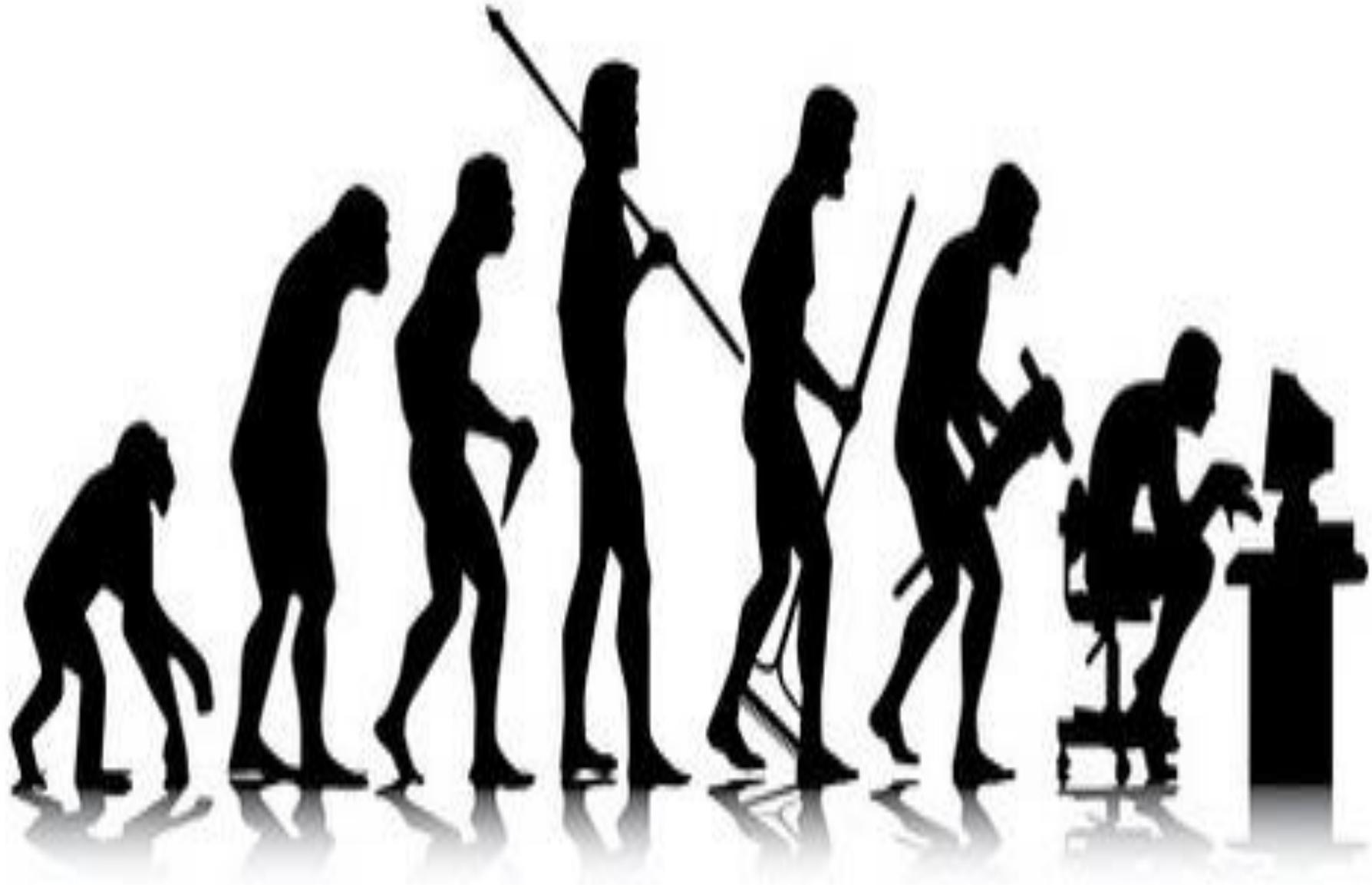
#2

## Communication barriers.



# Employee Behavior





# Manager Behavior





Only 10% of managers act purposefully to do the organization's most important work!



# Generous Listening and Thinking Partnerships

*"Many a man would rather you heard his story than granted his request."*

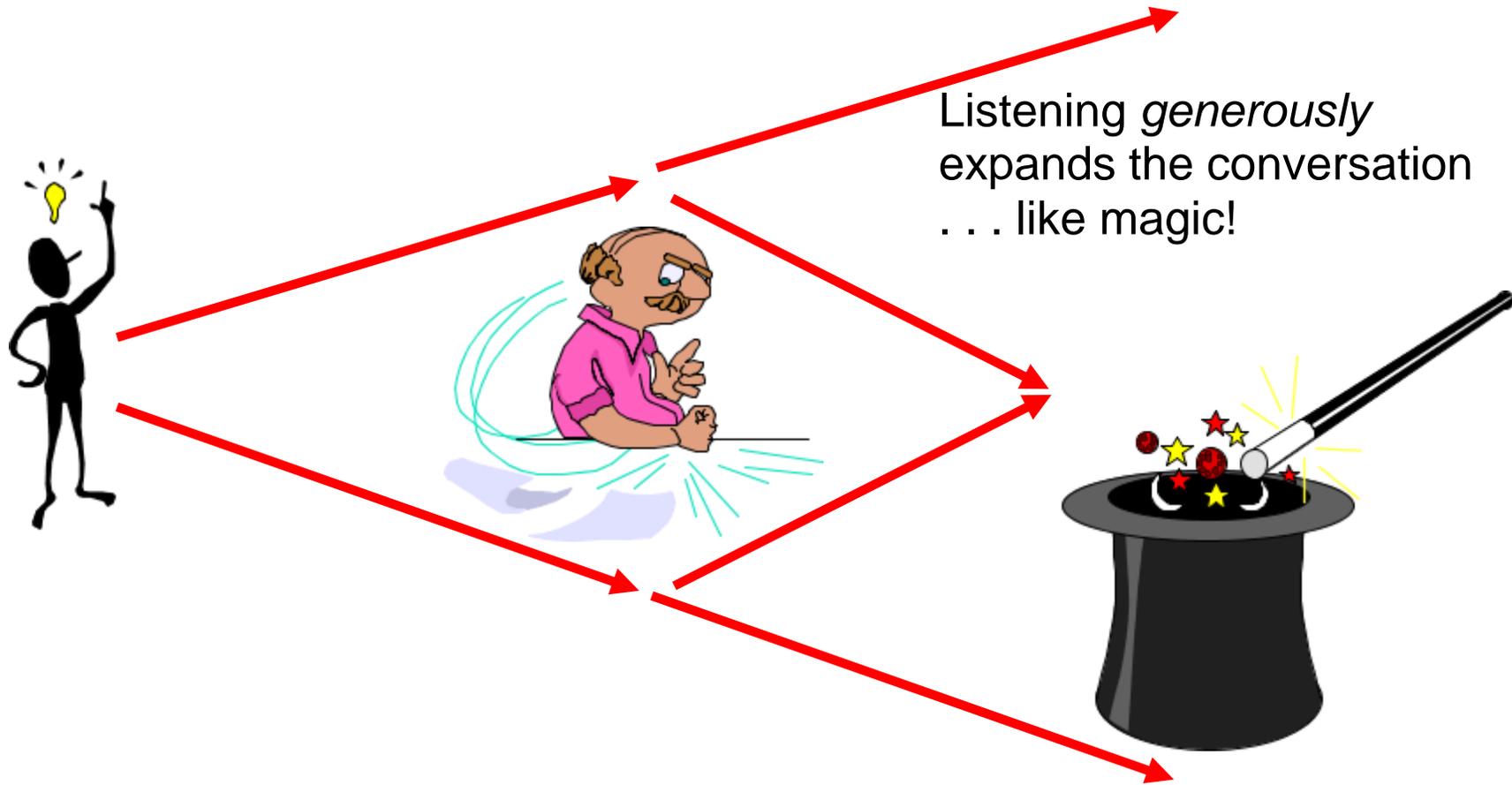
*— Phillip Stanhope, Earl of Chesterfield*

“We have two ears  
and one mouth so  
we may listen more  
and talk the less.”

- Epictetus, Roman, Greek-born slave &  
Stoic philosopher (55 AD - 135 AD)



# Generous Listening



# 4 Magic Words



**Interesting!**

**Tell  
me  
more...**

# Phrases for Generous Listening



- Interesting. Tell me more . . .
- That's a great idea!
- Say more about that. . .
- What would that make possible?
- What else?
- What would make that possible?
- What would that allow for?
- Help me understand . . .



# Thinking Partner

- Everything we do depends for its quality on the thinking we do first.
- The quality of our thinking is directly related to the quality of attention that we receive while thinking.

*"The most basic and powerful way to connect to another person is to listen. Just listen. Perhaps the most important thing we ever give each other is our attention."* - Rachel Naomi Remen



# Possibility Speaking



What seems impossible, but if it were possible, would transform your work, team, business, company for the better?

Possibility Speaking is an example of

# Lateral Thinking



**Breakthrough!**



Ref: De Bono's "Lateral Thinking".

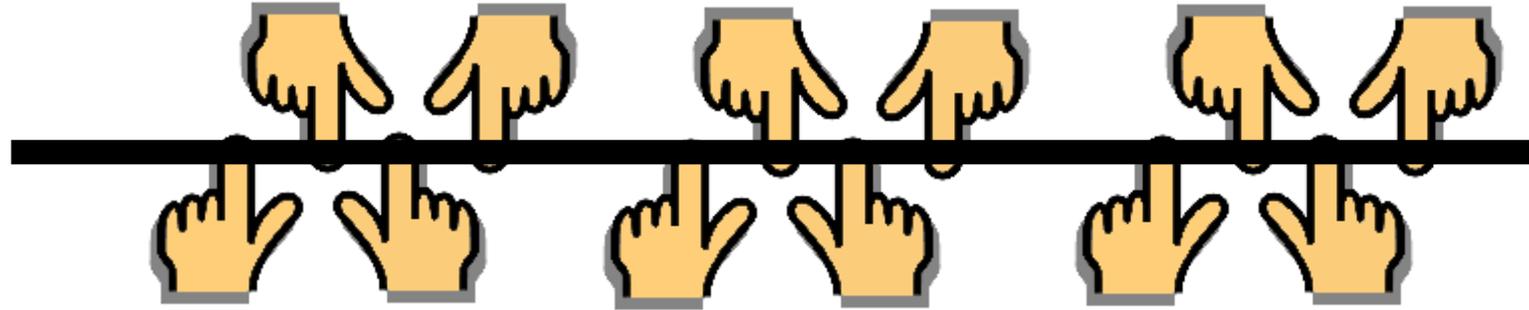
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Goals of team & team members NOT aligned.



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# Pole Lowering Exercise



- Lower the pole to the ground.
- Touch ONLY the **bottom** of the pole.
- Always maintain contact with the pole with the top of **both** of your fingers.
- No other contact with pole is permitted.



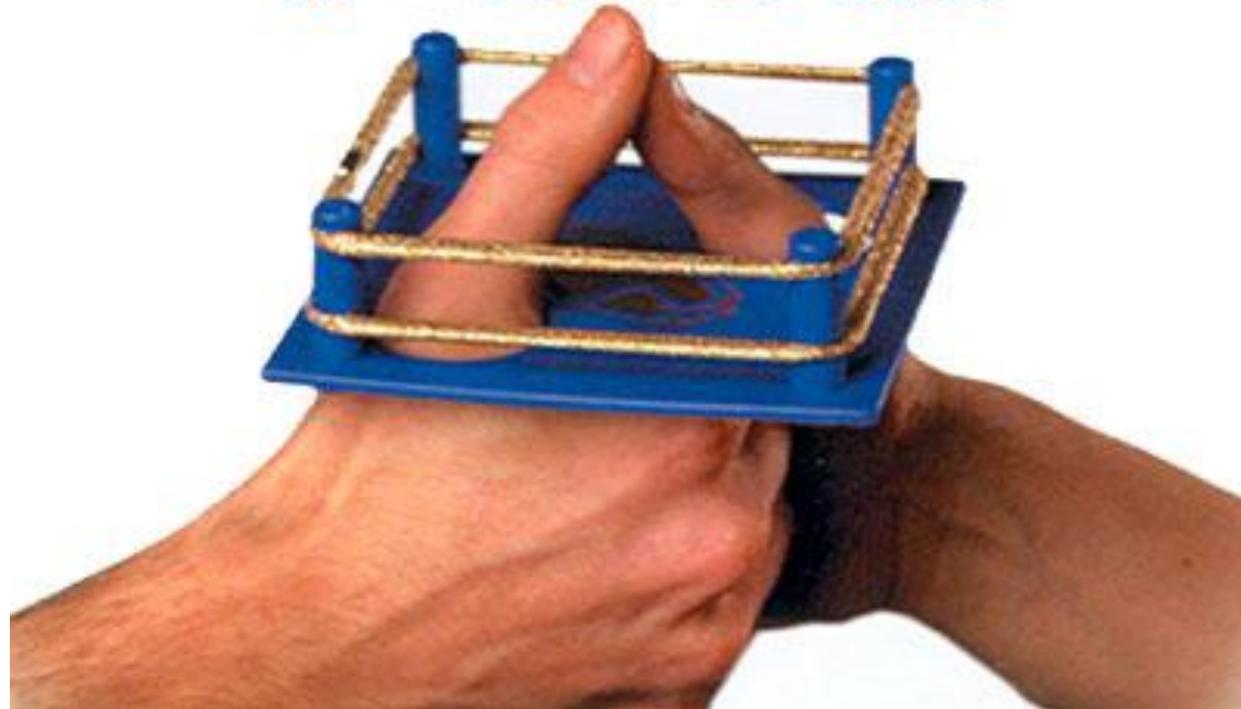
# #4

## Team vision & goals are unclear.



Count how many times you trap your opponents thumb in 15 seconds of ...

## **PRO THUMB WRESTLING**



# S.T.O.P.

- **S**top
- **T**hink
- **O**rganize
- **P**lan

. . . and THEN . . . GO!

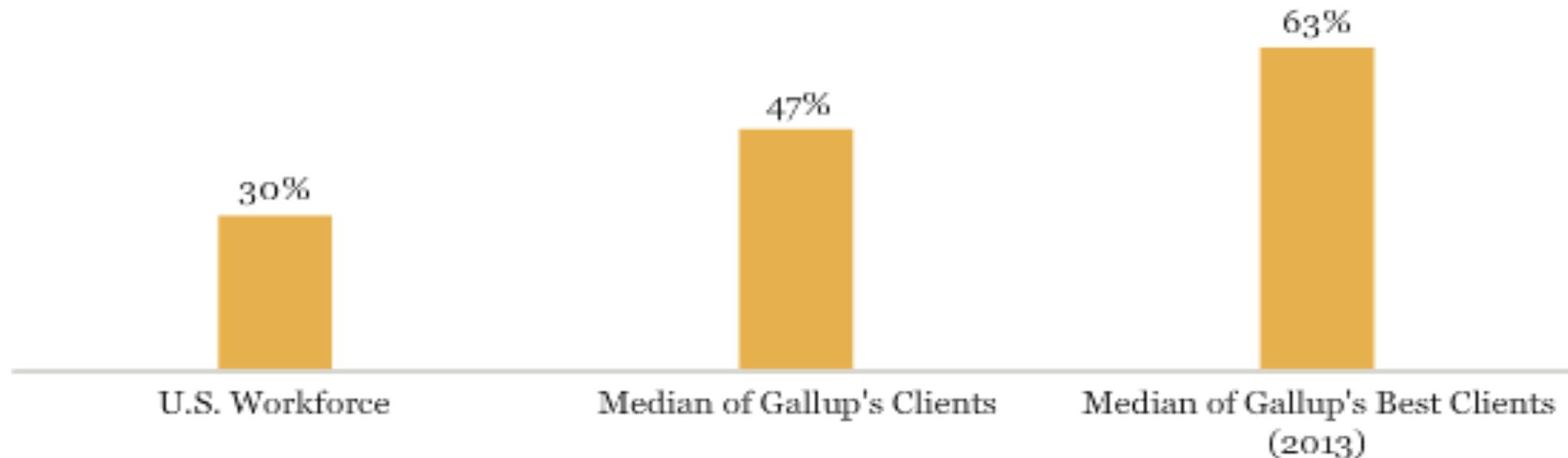


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■ Engaged Employees



## High-engagement

- 19% higher than average shareholder return.
- Less likely to see a decline in EPS in the 2008 recession.
- Generate superior long-horizon returns.

Ref: 2013 BlessingWhite, Inc., Princeton, NJ Global Engagement Report

## Low-engagement

- 44% below average shareholder returns.





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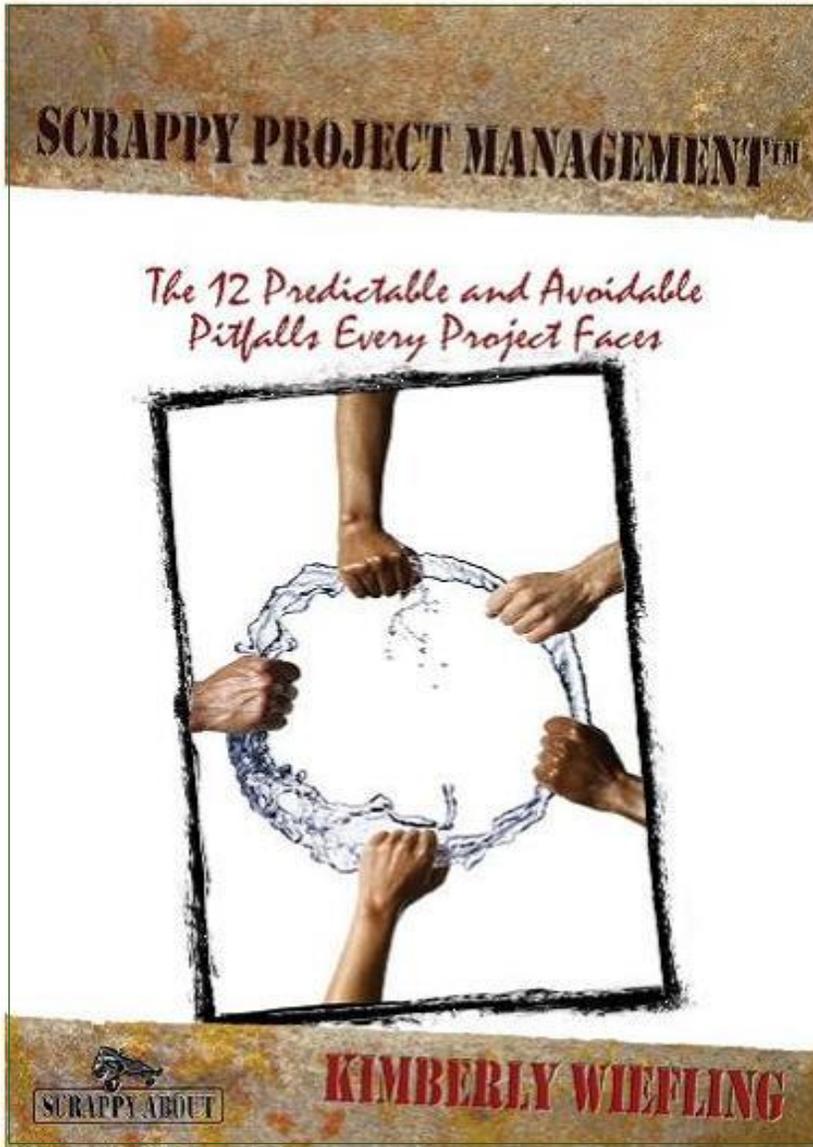
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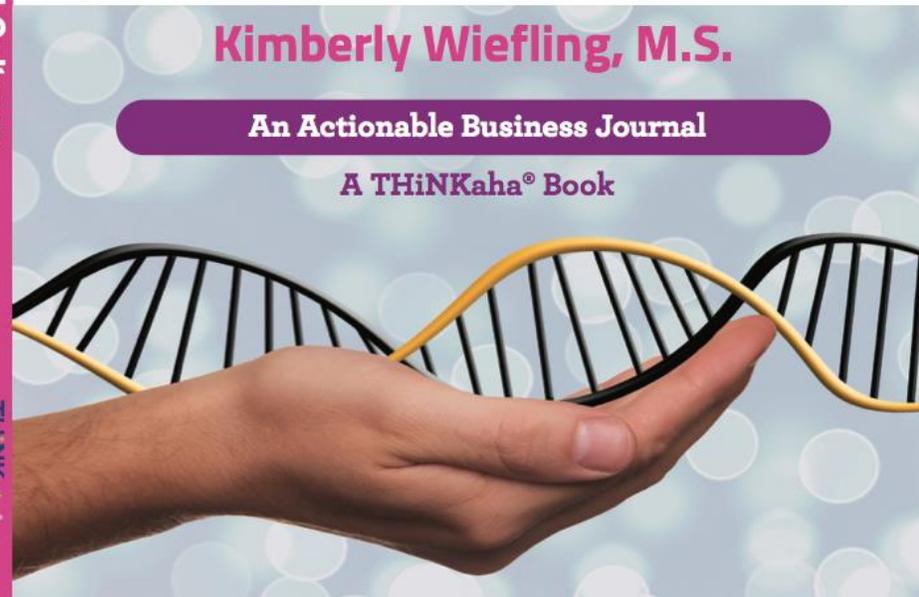
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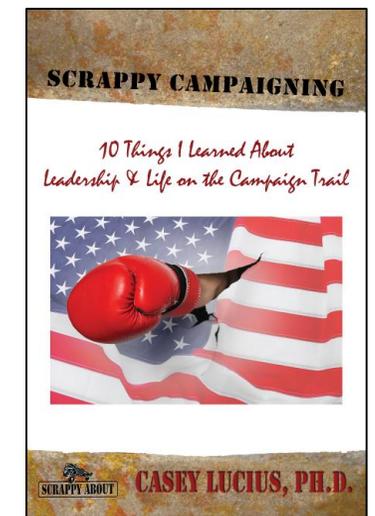
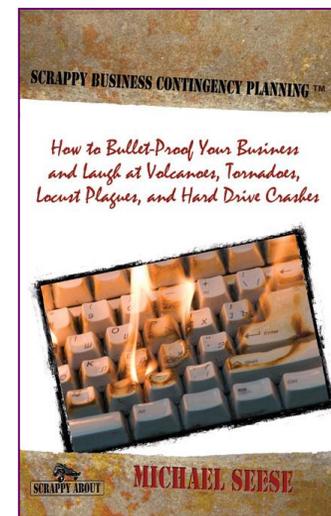
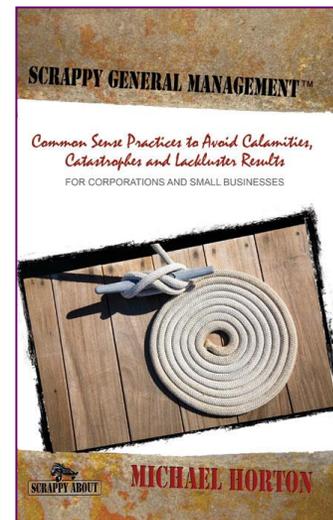
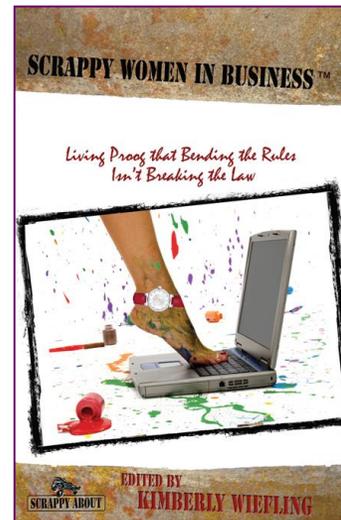
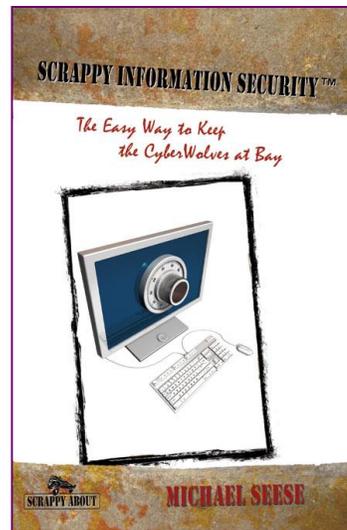
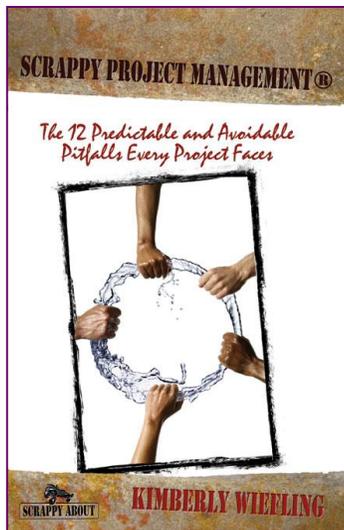
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