ELEVATING TEANWORK: 3 KEYS FOR LEADERS

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CHALLENGES

- Employee engagement
- Sub-optimal team performance

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Dealing with curveballs

IMPACT OF THE CHALLENGES

quality hit to low reputation morale warts STUCK IN turnover lost THS LOOP missed productivity loss of deadlines more cost market share injuries



Every problem is a leadership problem.

Jocko Willink



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REQUIRED LEADERSHIP TOOLS

- Know your team
- Communicate relentlessly
- Drive innovation



KNOW YOUR TEAM



56 Leadership is a relationship.

The Leadership Challenge, Kouzes & Posner



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CONNECT with the WHY





FLOW



SKILL



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FIELD TEST

- 1. Map each employee on the flow model.
- 2. How might you adjust your approach for each person?
- 3. What are 2-3 possibilities to develop them?

COMMUNICATE RELENTLESSLY



LISTEN DEEPLY

- 1. Be fully present. Don't interrupt. Breathe.
- 2. Ask more questions than you answer
- 3. W.A.I.T.



COMMS FRAMEWORK





TRANSPARENCY -> TRUST



FIELD TEST

- 1. Learn one new non-work thing about each employee in the next week.
- 2. At your next team huddle, practice using why/what/how/so what to share the day's goals.
- 3. What are 2-3 business metrics you can share with the team? Create a regular practice of discussing.



DRIVE INNOVATION



The learn-it-all will always do better than the know-it all.

Satya Nadella, CEO of Microsoft



YOU ARE A ROLE MODEL

- 1. People look to others, especially to authority, for signals about OK / not OK
- 2. You are **always** sending signals
- 3. This influences your reputation as a leader, both internally and externally



THIS IS A TEAM SPORT

Today, the best leaders are:

1. Humble in the face of challenge

2. Curious about what others bring

3. Willing to take risks to learn quickly



FEEDBACK



Ted.com: The secret to giving great feedback. LeeAnn Renninger



FIELD TEST

- 1. Once a day: ask for feedback on one of your own actions. Bonus points for family!
- 2. Allow the team to take the lead in resolving a challenge. You observe & provide feedback on the process.
- 3. Reward curiosity & innovation at least once a day publicly.



ON LEADERSHIP

Leadership is the awesome responsibility to see those around us rise. Every one of us can choose to be the leader we wish we had.

Simon Sinek



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HIGH PERFORMING TEAMS

1. Build trust

2. Get to the truth faster

3. Handle things quickly & well

4. Stay connected to the bigger why



KNOW YOUR TEAM COMMUNICATE RELENTLESSLY

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SMOOTH SAILING



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