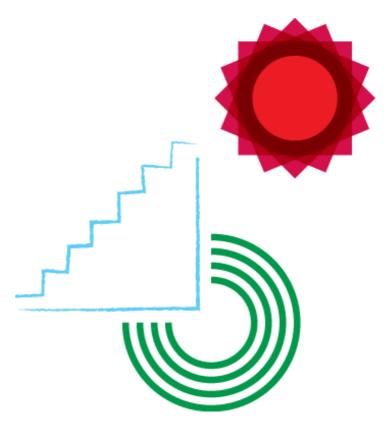


Speed Training: Motivation

Hints and Tips

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ACTIVITY: THE PERFECT JOB

Objective: To help people understand their motivational drivers and

explore ways these can be met even more fully in the team. This particular activity focuses on identifying personal

motivators.

Group Size: Groups of 3-4 **Time:** 20+ minutes

Materials: Pack of Motivation Cards for each group and Motivation@Work

sheet.

Instructions:

Phase 1

- 1. Form groups of 3-4 and give each group a pack of Motivation Cards.
- 2. These cards are spread face up on the table.
- 3. Spin a pen to select someone to start.
- 4. This person thinks of the perfect job for him/her but does not tell the team what this job is.
- 5. The job may or may not be related to their current role or company e.g. a TV producer, professional tennis player, etc.
- 6. S/he selects 6 cards that have something to do with their perfect job.
- 7. Blank cards can be used to represent aspects of the job not covered by these cards.
- 8. Rank order these 6 cards.
- 9. The others have to guess what this perfect job would be from these 6 cards.
- 10. The selected person only reveals their perfect job after everyone has had a discussion and made a guess at the answer.

Phase 2

- 1. The selected person now goes through each card in turn indication whether that motivational driver is present in his/her current job.
- 2. The selected person moves the card to the right to indicate a gap i.e. when the need is not being met in the current job a little to the right to indicate a small gap and a lot to the right to show a bigger gap.
- 3. The others now explore with the selected person how s/he could be even more motivated i.e. problem solve on how to reduce the size of the gap.
- 4. Give the selected person the Motivation@Work sheet for completion.
- 5. Repeat this activity with the others in the group.

Phase 3

- 1. Convene the team and discuss:
 - a. How useful has that activity been?
 - b. Would it be helpful to share completed Motivation@Work sheets with the team leader?
 - c. What can we do to keep motivational levels high in the team?



- d. Are there any team or personal goals we want to agree?
- 2. Record any team or personal goals agreed.

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