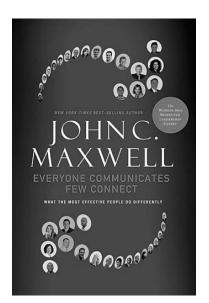
Everyone Communicates, Few Connect









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Learning Objectives

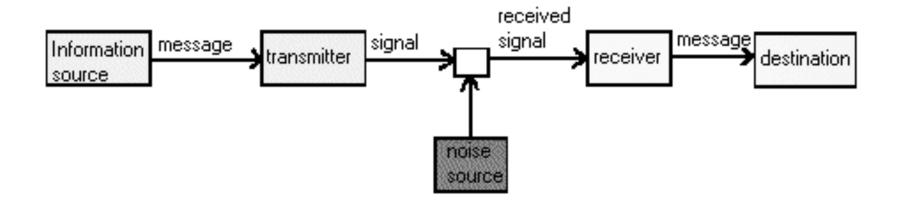
By the end of this course, participants should be able to:

- Discuss the importance of connecting with people instead of just communicating.
- Describe the benefits of connecting with others.
- Explain techniques for increasing positive influence on other people.
- Apply strategies to improve communication with other people to connect at a higher level.

Communication = Potential

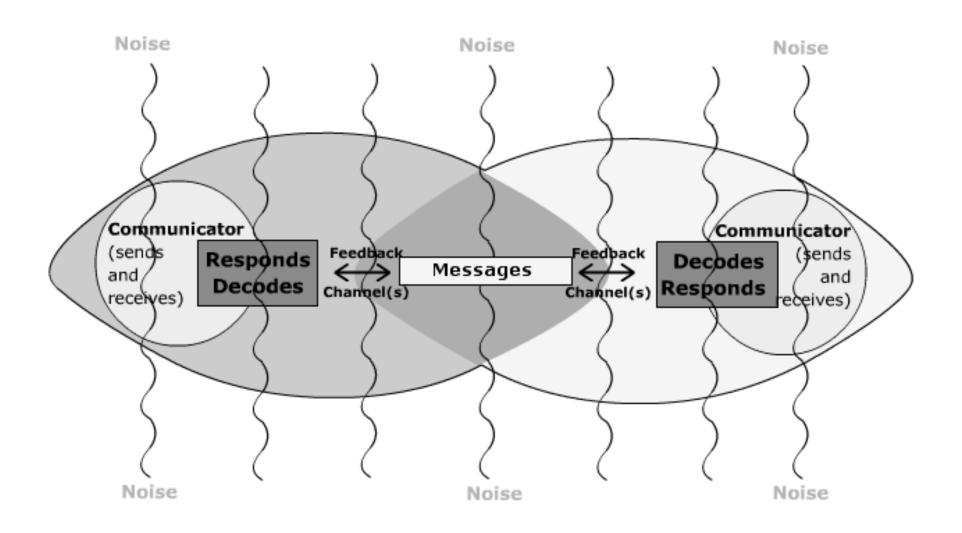


Communication Model



Shannon-Weaver

Communication Model



The Power of Words



Choose Words Carefully

Instead of saying this		Say this.		
Let me transfer you.		Let me connect you.		
I can		I will		
I'm not sure what you want.		I would be happy to help.		
It's not my job.		Let me see what I can do.		
I need to		May I?		
I can do that.		I would be happy to take care of that for you.		
You're welcome.		It's my pleasure.		
I can't		Here are two other options		
Okay, no problem.		I am happy to assist.		
The policies say		Let me see what I can do.		
These are the facts.		Let me take a look to see what happened.		
I have to	-	I get to		

Research Says....

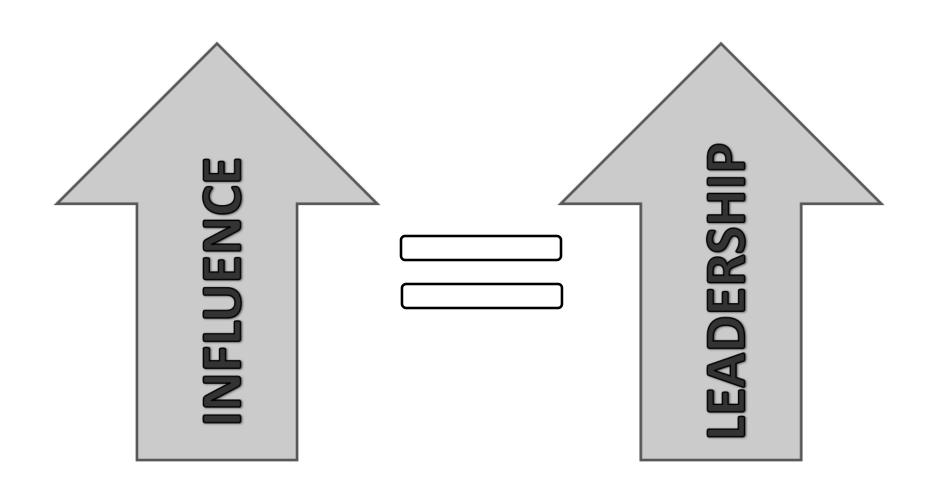


Communication-Connect Message

Every communication is an opportunity for a powerful connection. Developing your ability to connect with others:

- 1. Creates better relationships
- 2. Reduces conflict
- 3. Increases accomplishments
- 4. Effectively conveys ideas
- 5. Attracts followers

Goal is to Increase Influence



Connecting Principles #1 INFLUENCE

Connecting increases your influence in every situation.

Successful U.S. Presidents exhibit 5 qualities:

- 1. Vision
- 2. Pragmatism
- 3. Consensus Building
- 4. Charisma
- 5. Trustworthiness

4 of the 5 skills to being a successful leader have to do with connecting.

Connecting Principle #1 INFLUENCE

Most people who disconnect aren't aware.

Connecting Signals

Extra Effort

people go the extra

Unsolicited Appreciation

people say positive things

Unguarded Openness

people demonstrate trust

Increased Communication

people express themselves more readily

Enjoyable Experiences

people feel good about what they are doing

Emotional Bondedness

people display a connection on an emotional level

Positive Energy

people's emotional "batteries" are charged by being together

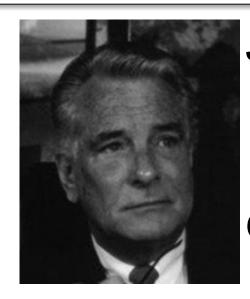
Growing Synergy

people's effectiveness is greater than the sum of the contributions

Unconditional Love

people are accepting without reservation

Connecting Principle #1 INFLUENCE



Jay Hall, Ph.D., Teleometrics, conducted a study on the performance of 16,000 executives.

CONCLUSION: direct correlation between achievement and the ability to care for and connect with people.

"Leadership is not about titles, positions or flowcharts. It is about one life influencing another." *John C. Maxwell*

Connecting Principle #1 INFLUENCE

HIGH ACHIEVERS

AVERAGE ACHIEVERS

LOW ACHIEVERS

Care about <u>people</u> as well as <u>profits</u>

Concentrate on <u>production</u>

Preoccupied with their own security

View subordinates optimistically

Focus more on their own status

Show a basic distrust of subordinates

Seek advice from those under them

Reluctant to seek advice from those under them

Do not seek advice

Actively listen

<u>Listen only to</u> <u>superiors</u> Avoid communication and rely on policy manuals

Modes of Listening

- Combative listening takes place when we listen only to look for flaws in the other person's point of view.
- Passive listening takes place when we truly try to hear the other person's point of view. However, with passive listening, we do not yet provide feedback to verify whether we have understood.
- Active listening takes place when we provide feedback to verify whether or not we have understood the sender.

Listening Actively

- Listen with your ears, your eyes, and your heart to concentrate on what the person is saying and to empathize.
- Pay attention to speaker's facial expressions and other nonverbal cues for insight into the message.
- Listen without interruption. Note key phrases and document the information that the interviewee says.
- Provide feedback checks to the speaker. Restate, paraphrase, or ask questions of the interviewee to confirm that you received the message as intended.

Activity

- Get with a partner you don't know well.
- Pick who will be the speaker first and who will be the listener first.
- Discuss whatever is on your mind for 2 minutes.
- Switch roles.

Examining Body Language and Behavioral Cues

- Observe what message your body language conveys:
 - facial expressions or gestures
 - shifts in eye contact
 - crossed arms or legs
 - placement of feet
 - excessive sweating
- Be aware of nonverbal messages you send.



Connecting Principle #2 OTHERS

Connecting is all about OTHERS and not ourselves.

Why do we focus on ourselves and not others?

1. Immaturity

Maturity is the ability to see and act on behalf of others

- 2. Ego
- 3. Failure to value everyone
- 3 Connecting Questions:
- 1. Do you CARE for me?
- 2. Can you HELP me?
- 3. Can I TRUST you?

Connecting begins when the other person feels valued...

Connecting is all about others.

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"There is no I in TEAM. But there is an M and an E and that spells ME!"

Communication Self-Assessment

	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
I listen carefully and rephrase information for better understanding.					
I put myself in the speaker's place in order to better understand the message.					
I ask questions if the message is not clear.					
I concentrate on what is being said and avoid outside distractions.					
I control my emotions when receiving information from others.					
I make eye contact when communicating with others.					
I use appropriate body language and nonverbal cues when listening.					

Connecting Principle #3 COMMUNICATION

Connecting goes beyond words.

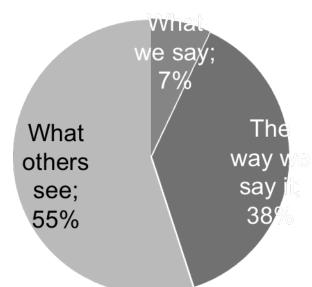
3 components to face-to-face communication

WORDS

TONE OF VOICE

BODY LANGUAGE

How others believe what we say when we communicate:



>90% of the impression that we often convey has nothing to do with what we actually say!

Connecting Principle

Connecting Goes Beyond Words



Connecting Principle #3 COMMUNICATION

Communication Breakdowns

Breakdown	Thought – knowing	Emotion – feeling	Action - doing
Dispassionate	I know this	I do not feel this	
Theoretical	I know this		I do not do this
Unfounded	I do not know this	I feel this	
Hypocritical		I feel this	I do not do this
Presumptuous	I do not know this		I do this
Mechanical		I do not feel this	I do this

Connecting Principle #3 COMMUNICATION

Action – something we do; connecting visually; what people see

Thought – something we know; connecting intellectually; what people understand

Emotion – something we feel; connecting emotionally; what people feel

Connecting Principle #4 ENERGY

Connecting always requires ENERGY.

4 Unpardonable sins of a communicator:

Unprepared Uncommitted Uninteresting Uncomfortable 3 of the 4 require a lot of effort and energy

Connecting requires:

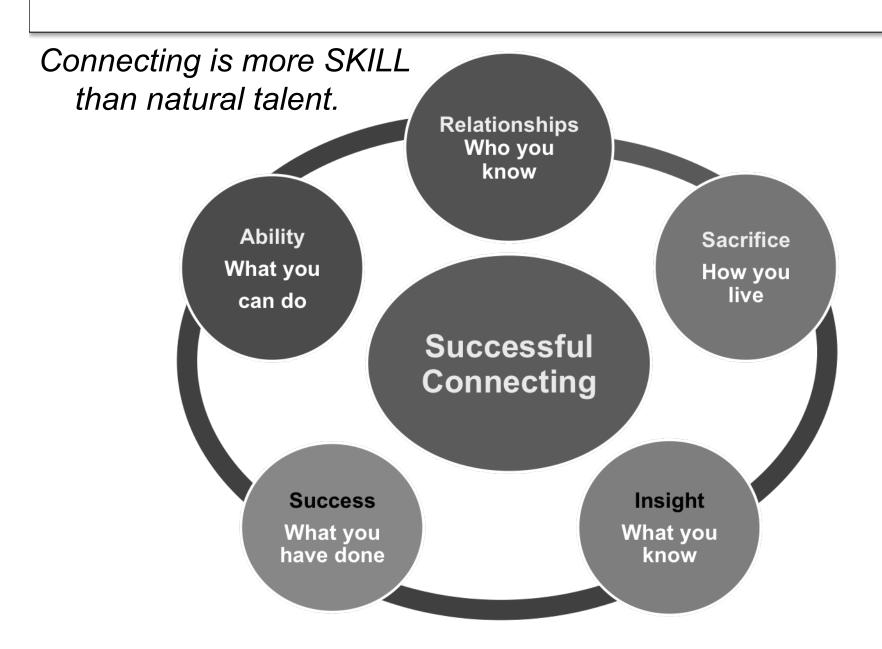
- 1. Initiative go first!
- 2. Clarity prepare
- 3. Patience slow down
- 4. Selflessness give
- 5. Stamina recharge

Connecting Principle #5 - SKILL



"All great speakers were bad speakers first."
-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Connecting Requires Skill



Connect in Their World

- Know your audience and whom you'd like to serve.
- Network in person.
- Connect via social media LinkedIn, Google+ YouTube, Facebook, Pinterest, Instagram, etc.

443 New Likes 627⊕ Talking About This 23,000⊕ Weekly Total Reach

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Generational Communication

	Traditionalists (1900-1945)	Baby Boomers (1946-1964)	Generation X (1965-1980)	Generation Y (1981-2000)
Work Ethics and Values	Hardworking, respect authority and rules, wise	Workaholic, want to please, love to have meetings	Independent, tech-savvy, value balance	Tech-savvy, team- oriented, high expectations
Work is a(an):	obligation	challenge	responsibility	means to an end
Communication	Personal Note	Phone	Email	Text
Style	Directive	Collegial	Entrepreneurial	Participative
Motivated by	Your experience is respected.	You are needed.	Let's cut through the red tape.	Let's hear what you have to say.
How to get what you want:	Ask opinions.	Ask permission.	Let them do it their way.	Include them on a team.
Liabilities	Intolerant	Avoid conflict	Skeptical	Demanding

Connecting Practice #1 COMMON GROUND

Connectors connect on common ground.

Barriers to finding common ground:

Assumption

Arrogance

Control

Indifference

Connecting Practice

Connectors connect on common ground.



Connecting Practice #1 COMMON GROUND

Choices to finding common ground:

Availability

Listening

Questions

Thoughtfulness

Openness

Likeability

Humility

Adaptability

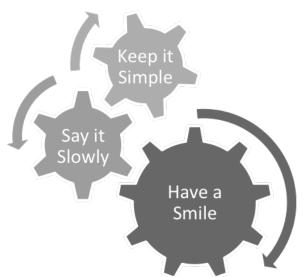
Connecting Practice #2 SIMPLICITY

Connectors do the difficult work of keeping it SIMPLE.

4 components to connect through communication

Humor] [Heart] [Hope] [Help

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Art of Simplicity

- 1.Talk to people, not above them.
- 2.Get to the point.
- 3. Say it <u>over</u> and <u>over</u> and <u>over</u> again.
- 4. Say it clearly.
- 5.Say less.

Connecting Practice #3 EXPERIENCE

Create an EXPERIENCE everyone enjoys.

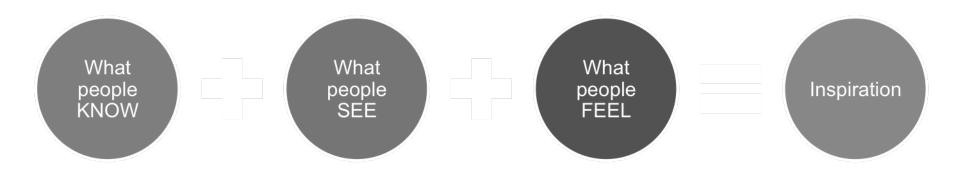
How to be interesting:

- 1. Take <u>responsibility</u> for your listeners.
- 2. Communicate in their world.
- 3. Capture people's attention from the start.
- 4. Say it so it sticks.

Connecting Practice #4 INSPIRE

Connectors INSPIRE people.

Inspiration Equation



What do people need to KNOW?

- That you <u>understand</u> them and are <u>focused</u> on them
- That you have <u>high</u> expectations of them

What do people need to SEE?

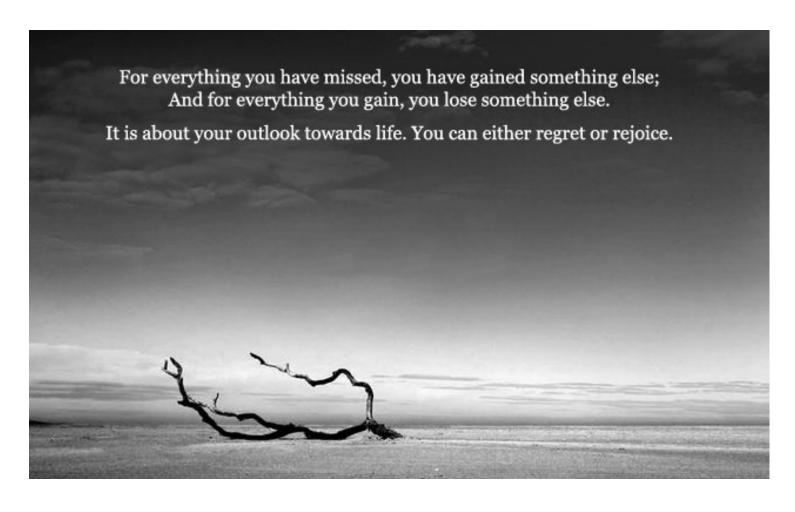
- Your conviction
- Your <u>example</u>

What do people need to FEEL?

- Your <u>confidence</u> in yourself and them
- Your <u>gratitude</u> for them

Connecting Practice #4 INSPIRE

"Strive not to be a success, but rather to be of value." –Albert Einstein



Connecting Practice #5 CREDIBILITY



Connectors live what they communicate.

Connecting Practice #5 CREDIBILITY

CREDIBILITY is the currency that connectors have.

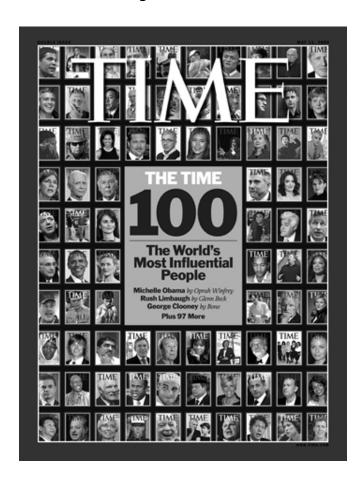
Credibility Checklist

- 1. Have I connected with myself?
- 2. Have I made right my wrongs?
- 3. Am I accountable?
- 4. Do I lead like I <u>live</u>?
- 5. Do I tell the truth?
- 6. Am I <u>vulnerable</u>?
- 7. Am I following the Golden Rule?
- 8. Do I deliver results?

Application of Concepts

- When communicating, find common ground, make communication simple, capture people's interest, inspire others, and be real.
- When you communicate, you must include: thought (something I know); emotion (something I feel); and action (something I do).

WHO do you influence?



How do you influence others?

FORCE



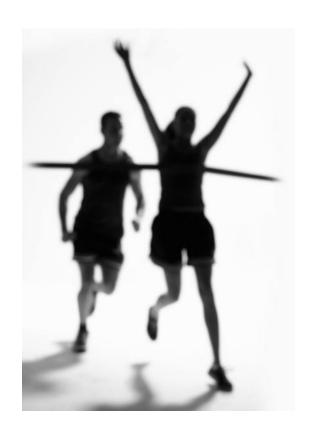
How do you influence others?

INTIMIDATION



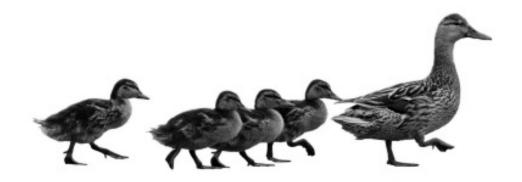
How do you influence others?

MANIPULATION



How do you influence others?

POSITION



How do you influence others?

EXCHANGE



How do you influence others?

PERSUASION



How do you influence others?

RESPECT



How MANY do you influence?



+ Follow	mother mons†er	9,585,914 followers	143,575 following	688 tweets
2 Justin	Bieber (@justinbieber) NEVER SAY NEVER 3D is in THeatres!! and the new NeverSayNever Remix album with Kanye, Rascal Flatts, Miley, Chris Brown, Usher, and Jaden Smith is in STORES!	9,170,748 followers	111,074 following	8,788 tweets
3 Britne	ey Spears (@britneyspears) It's Britney	7,593,171 followers	420,002 following	719 tweets
4 Barac	ck Obama (@BarackObama) 44th President of the United States	7,531,658 followers	698,567 following	1,332 tweets
5 Kim K	ardashian (@KimKardashian) business woman, exec producer, fashion designer, perfumista	7,269,328 followers	135 following	7,394 tweets
6 Katy	Perry (@katyperry) i kissed a girl	6,913,475 followers	69 following	2,802 tweets
7 ashto	n kutcher (@aplusk) I make stuff, actually I make up stuff, stories mostly, collaborations of thoughts, dreams, and actions. Thats me.	6,590,092 followers	627 following	6,656 tweets
8 Ellen	DeGeneres (@TheEllenShow) Comedian, talk show host and ice road trucker. My tweets are real, and they're spectacular.	6,493,119	48,613 following	4,306 tweets

WHEN do you influence others?

Leaders sense:



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WHEN do you influence others?

Leaders sense:



Breakthrough places

WHEN do you influence others?

Leaders sense:



Catalyst times

WHY do you influence others?



WHERE do you influence others?



Insights into Influence

Leadership is **INFLUENCE**

Our influence with others is usually not in

ALL AREAS

With influence comes **RESPONSIBILITY**

My influence with others is either **POSITIVE** or **NEGATIVE**

Our influence can **GROW**

People of positive influence <u>ADD</u>

VALUE to others



1. TRUST



2. NURTURE



3. HAVE FAITH

Look at speaker

Ask questions

Don't interrupt

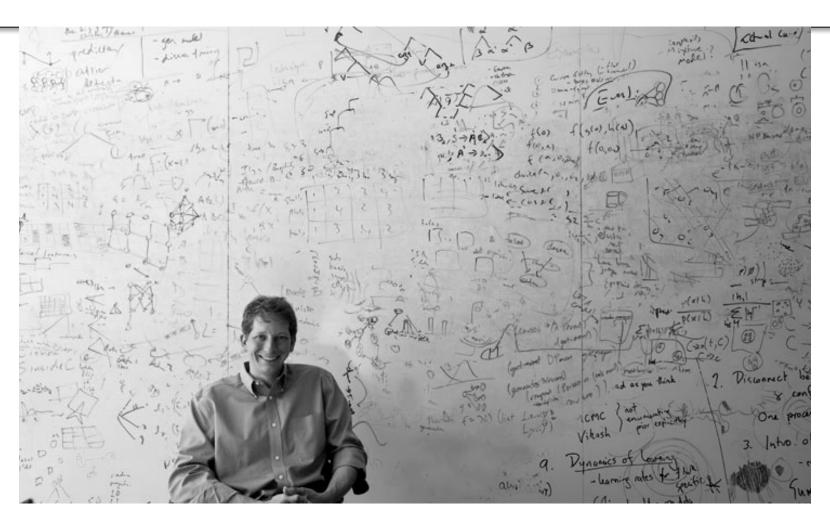
Don't change subject

Engage with emotion

Respond when listening

4. LISTEN





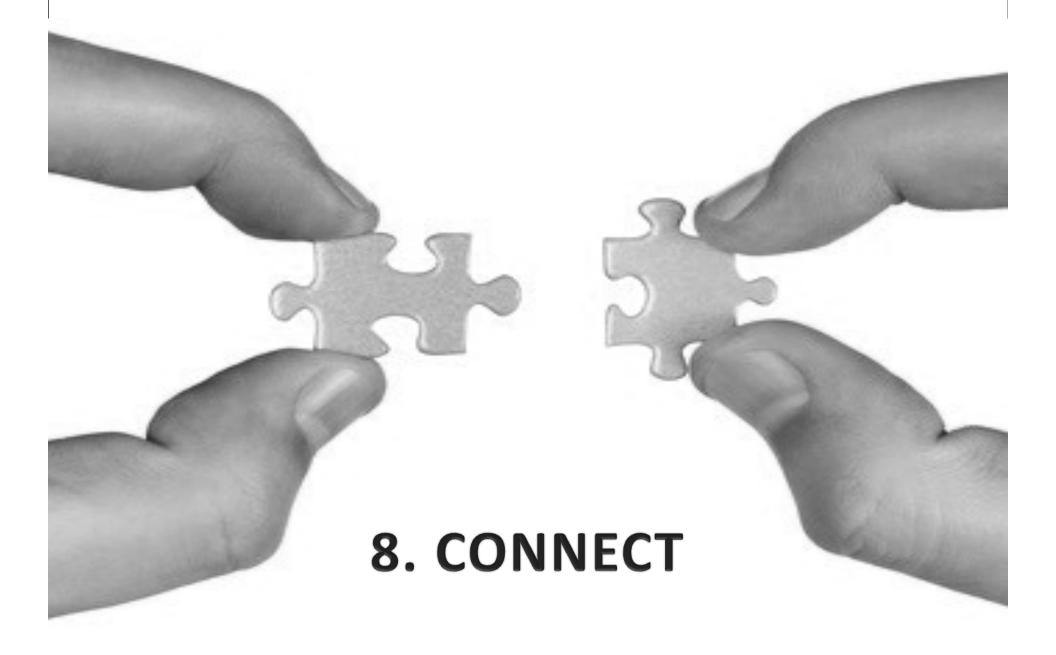
5. UNDERSTAND

GROW PEOPLE GROW ORGANIZATION

6. ENLARGE

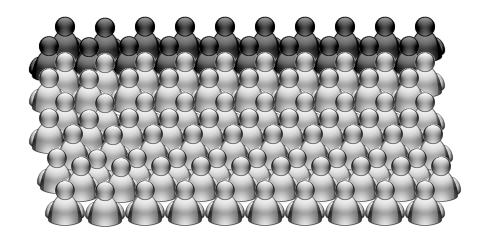


7. NAVIGATE



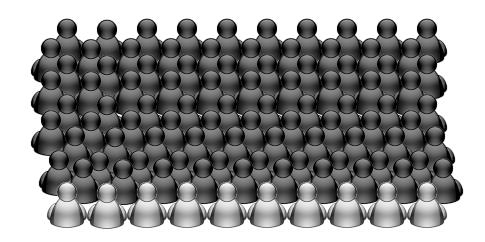


9. EQUIP



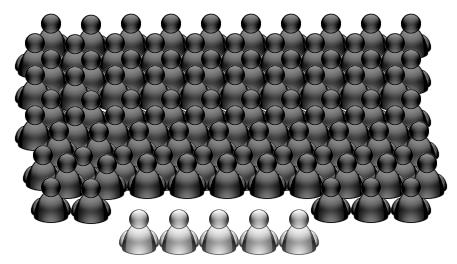
80% of leaders attract followers.

10. REPRODUCE



10% of leaders attract leaders.

10. REPRODUCE



5% of leaders reproduce leaders.

10. REPRODUCE

Application of Concepts

 When communicating, attempt to connect on four levels: visually, intellectually, emotionally, and verbally.



Discussion

- →Which practices or principles resonated most with you?
- ★What can you do today to apply the principles and practices discussed to strategically position yourself for success?

"The pessimist complains about the wind.
The optimist expects it to change.
The leader adjusts the sails."

- John C. Maxwell

Conclusions

THANK YOU for attending!

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