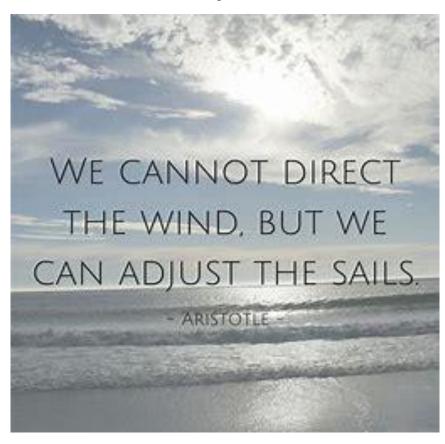
# Leading change through positive disruption



#### Objectives of the session

- Understand what change agility means
- Recognise your disruptive leadership style in relation to others in the team and how to collaborate for the best result
- Understand the psychological dynamics of change and how to support stakeholders through the process with compassion
- Explore resilience through effective team and individual habits

#### What do we mean by disruption?

Disruptors are proactive individuals who are not afraid to 'shake' up organisational processes and challenge the status quo.

Everyone has the potential to disrupt and transform an organisation.



## The benefits of disruption

- Improves processes and efficiency
- Engages and satisfies stakeholders
- Engages employees
- Challenges the status quo
- Encourages curiosity and diverse thinking
- Embraces 'enforced' changes
- Improves resilience and adaptability



Every man wants to change the world but no man thinks of changing himself repost

## Core components

A Leapfrogging Mind-set

**Boundary Pushing** 

Data-Intuition Integration

**Adaptive Planning** 

**Savouring Surprise** 

# Disruption - positive or negative?



## Creating the right environment for others

Clear case for change and future direction

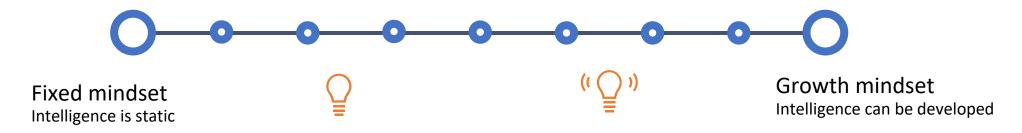
Innovative behaviours are promoted and normalised

Creativity & Innovation

Fail fast / considered courage culture

Reflective practice is encouraged

## Switching our mindset



Leads to a desire to look smart and therefore a tendency to...

...avoid challenges

...give up easily

...see failure as fruitless or worse

...ignore useful negative feedback

...feel threatened by the success of others

# Leads to a desire to learn and therefore a tendency to...

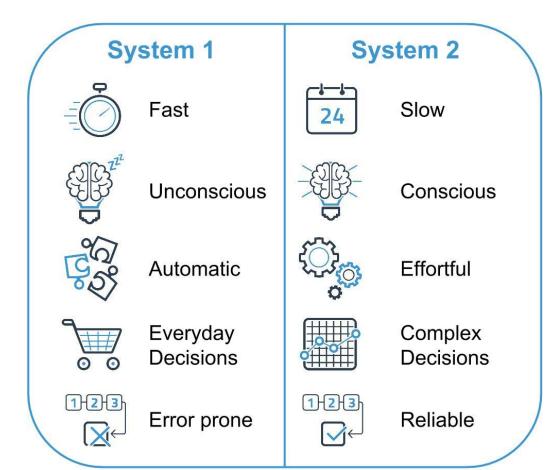
...embrace challenges

...persist in the face of setbacks

...see failure as essential to mastery

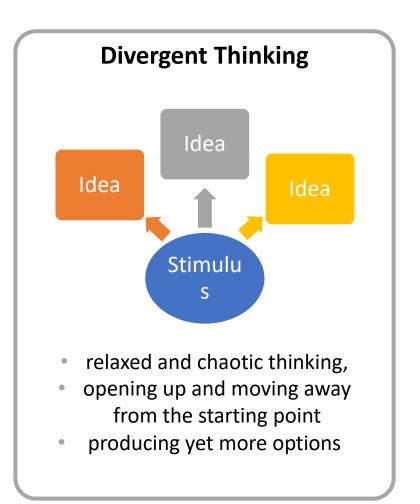
...learn from criticism

...find lessons and inspiration in the success of others



# Two thinking styles

#### **Convergent Thinking** Fact Fact Fact Solutio n Focussed, solution oriented thinking, urgent, specific answers and clear instructions



# Define the problem with specificity





Executable ideas





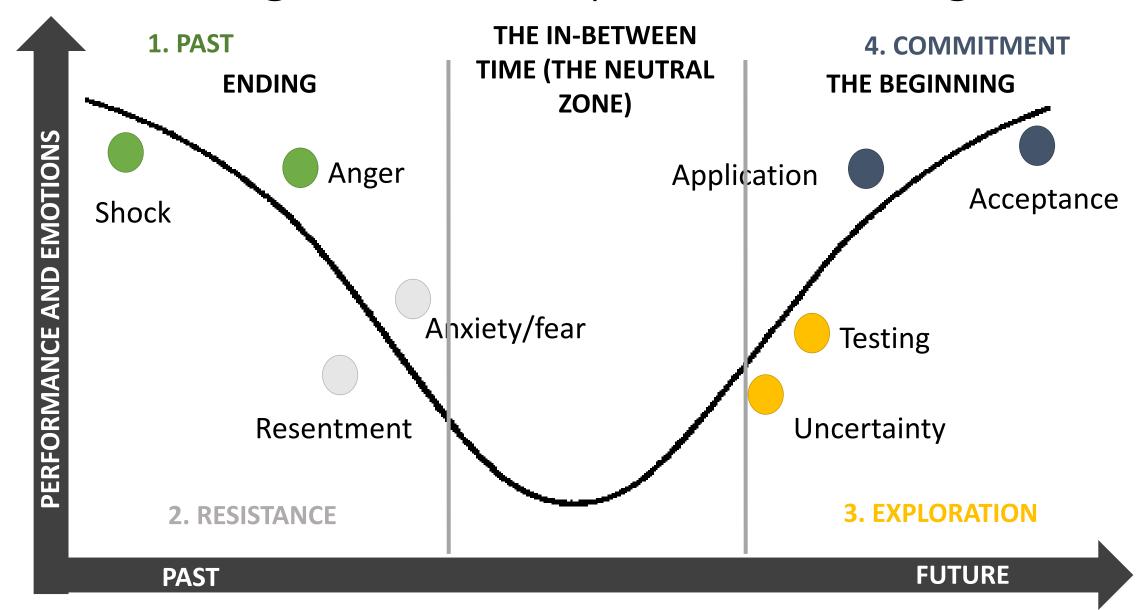
Critical Thinking Phase

Divergent Thinking



Convergent Thinking

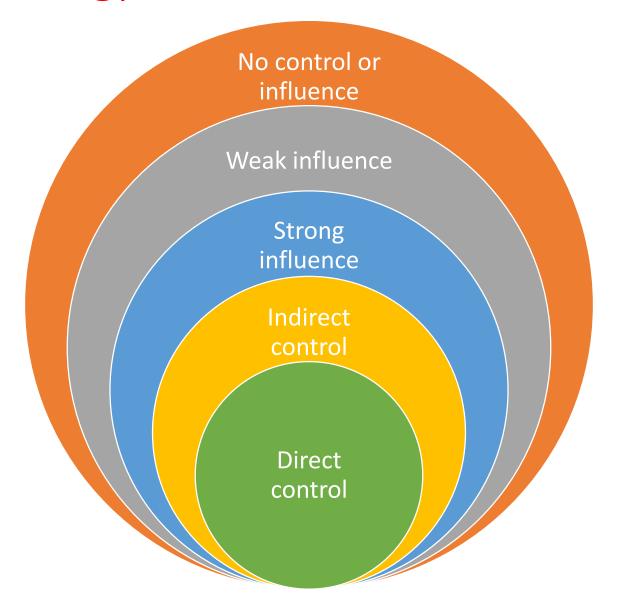
## The change curve – responses to change



• Leaders must assess where people are in the change cycle and adapt communication style to support acceleration through the curve:

Phase	Symptoms	Actions
Denial	<ul><li>□Rationalisation</li><li>□Focus on past</li><li>□Withdrawal</li></ul>	□Confront with information □Focus on current □Make accountable
Resistance	□Anger, blame, depression □Active aggression □The company doesn't care	□Listen for what is unsaid □Show personal commitment □Cut unavoidable losses
Exploration	□Over preparation □Energy, no coherence □Confusion, chaos	□Guide priorities □Educate to improve analysis □Short-term goals
Commitment	<ul><li>□Cooperation &amp; coordination</li><li>□Frustration about speed</li><li>□Looking for new challenge</li></ul>	□Long-term goals □Celebrate success □Raise the bar

# Where to focus energy





# **Enabling Reflective Practice**

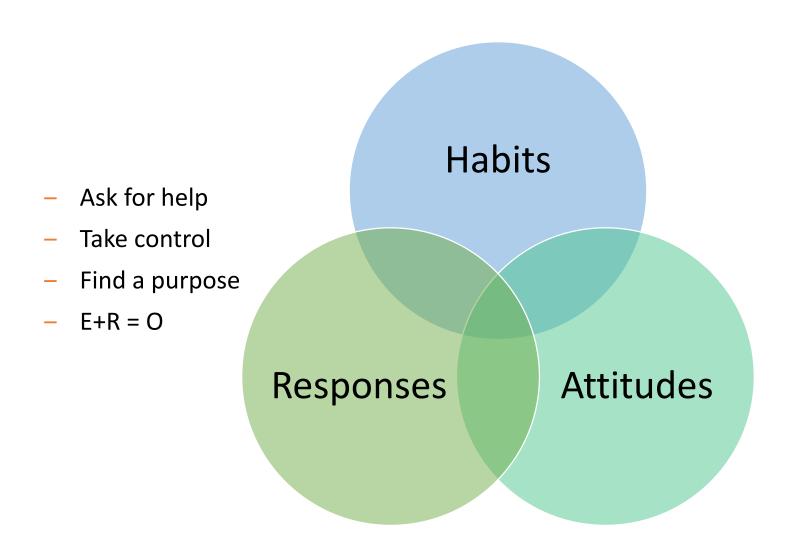
What? So What? Now What? Then what?

## Knowing your anchors

What are your derailers in leading change?
What are your strengths when it comes to leading change?



#### Habits to build resilience



- Learning from experience
- Doing work you love
- Building relationships with people that matter

- Optimism
- Self knowledge
- Self acceptance
- Personal growth purposefully putting
   yourself out of your
   comfort zone

## Top Tips for Positive disruption

- Build relationships and a network of trust BEFORE
- Tackle unhealthy thinking (yours and theirs)
- Kick the elephant out of the room
- Learn from mistakes and replicate success
- Have considered courage
- Celebrate your success and that of others
- Know your confidence boosters and robbers and those of your team
- Practice agility in all that you do (makes it a habit)

"The illiterate of the 21<sup>st</sup> century will not be those who cannot read or write, but those who cannot learn,

learn, unlearn and relearn."

- Alvin Toffler, Futurist

