

Adjusting to Our New Normal

A HOW-TO ON STAYING SANE, HEALTHY, AND PRODUCTIVE WHEN WORKING FROM HOME

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Agenda For Today



Change during a crisis



The toll of anxiety and stress



Adapting to change and being flexible



How to transition through change

What changes during a crisis?

Relationships & Staying Present



Face Your Emotions



Show Respect



Make connections



Your Perspective



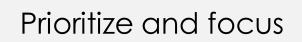
Think "today"



Focus on the positive



Get grounded



Why do I feel like I've hit a wall?

Navigating Anxiety During the Coronavirus



How can we adapt to change and be flexible?

3 Types of Flexibility

Cognitive

• Use different thinking strategies and mental frameworks

Emotional

 Vary one's approach to dealing with emotions and those of others

Dispositional

• Remain optimistic and at the same time, realistic



The ability to use different thinking strategies and frameworks



Simultaneously hold multiple scenarios in mind and can see when to shift and inject a change



Indicates: nimble, divergent thinking, an interest in developing new approaches, the ability to see and leverage new connections, and the propensity to work well across the organization



Readily learn from experience and recognize when old approaches don't work

Cognitive Flexibility



The ability to vary one's approach to dealing with emotions and those of others

Emotional Flexibility



Comfortable with the process of transition, including grieving, complaining and resistance



Adapting to change requires give and take between the leader and those experiencing the change



With: moves the change or agenda forward

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The ability to remain optimistic and, at the same time, realistic

Dispositional Flexibility



Operate from a place of optimism grounded in realism and openness

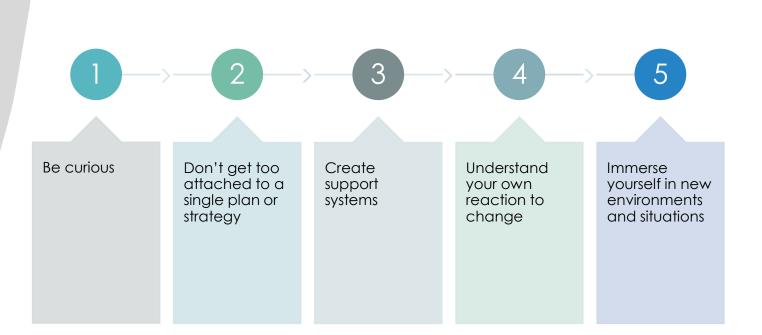
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Acknowledge a bad situation but simultaneously visualize a better future



See change as an opportunity rather than as a threat or danger

But how do I adapt?



When Faced with Change, Focus on the Transition

What's the difference?

Change

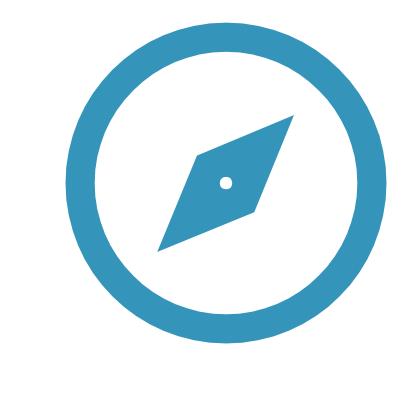
- The situations and occurrences that impact organizations and individuals
- Creates the need to move from the way things used to be to the way they are now

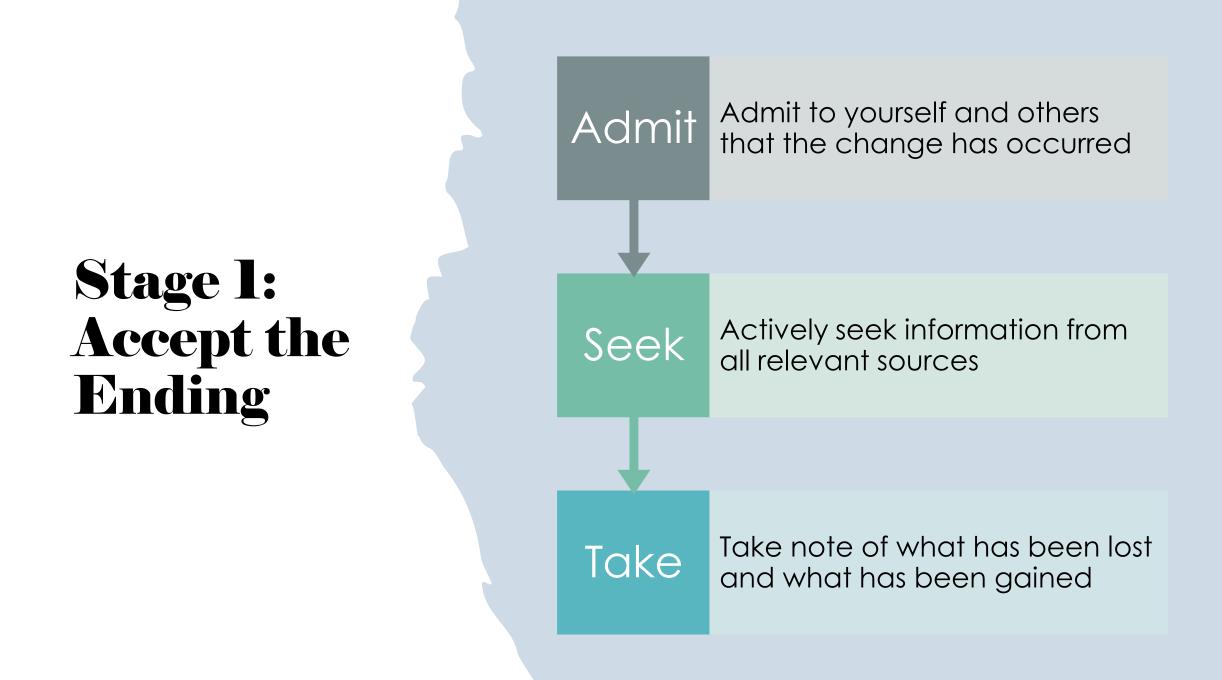
Transition

- The internal psychological process of adapting to a new situation
- Can happen quickly or slowly
- The process of moving successfully from the old to the new

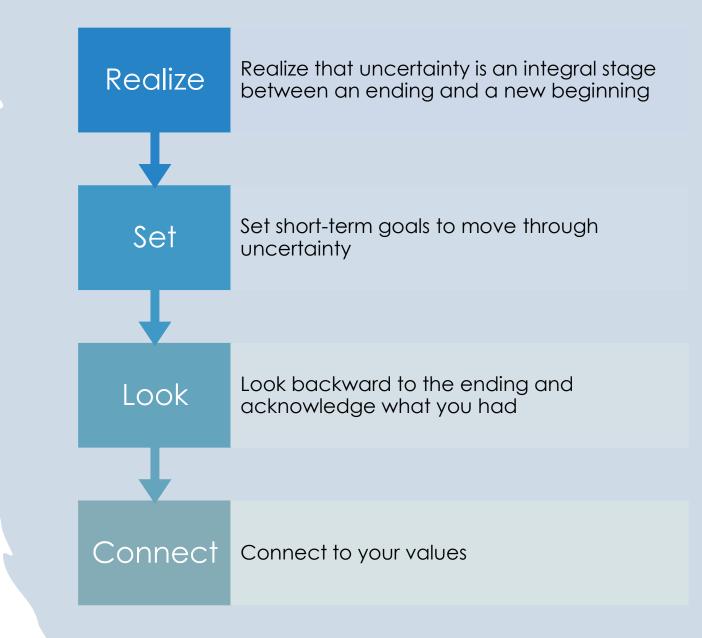
Navigating the Stages of Transition

- An ending
- A neutral zone
- A new beginning













In the midst of chaos, there is also opportunity. - Sun Tsu

Questions?

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