



# How to Build an Effective Leadership Development Program with Micro-Learning





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# LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

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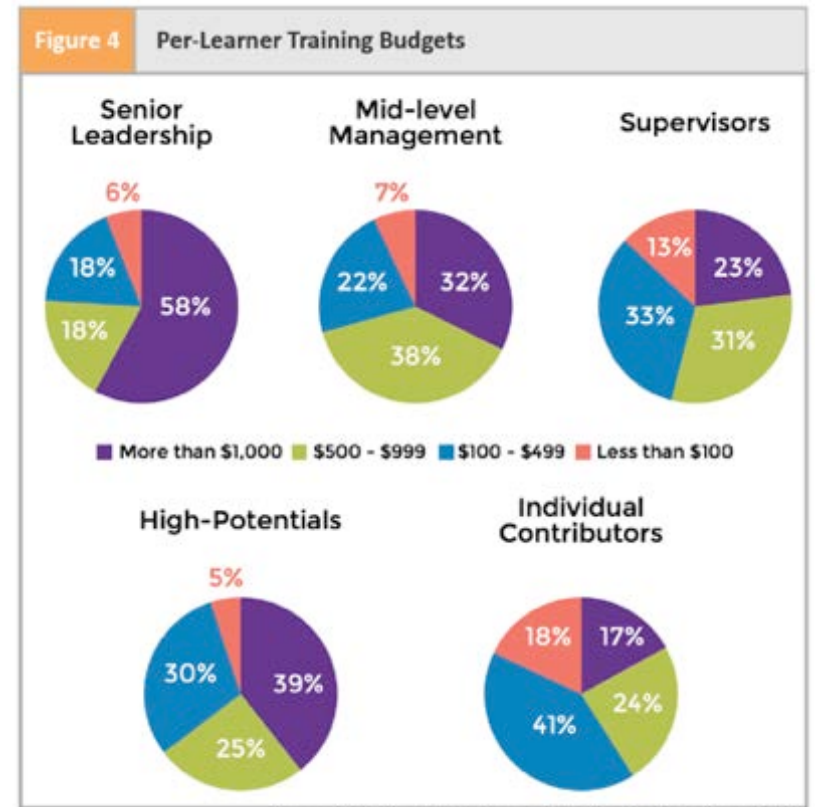
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# INVESTMENT

- U.S. organizations will spend from \$16B to \$20B on leadership development
- Fastest growth is in small to medium organizations (less than 1,000 employees)
- Most money (per person) spent on Executives, then High Potentials, Mid-level and and finally Supervisors<sup>1</sup>



Source: 2016 Brandon Hall Group Training Benchmarking Study (n=316)

 "Most students of management agree that the transition from employee to manager is one of the most challenging in business."

*Victor Lipman, Harvard Business Review<sup>1</sup>*




A photograph of a middle-aged man with a grey beard and hair, wearing a light-colored blazer over an orange shirt. He is sitting and looking down at a tablet computer he is holding with both hands. The background is a blurred office setting with a red wall.

**40%** of managers said their newly promoted leaders were **unprepared to assume this new role**

**98%** believe key aspects of their organization would improve if managers were **trained** to be effective leaders, **more quickly**

RESEARCH ON  
*MIDDLE MANAGERS<sup>1</sup>*






**98%** of these managers also felt they could use **more training**

**87%** wish they had received more training **before they were promoted** into their role

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92% said it would have been more effective if it was more engaging or interesting

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70% felt there was too much information to digest, retain and practice

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80% of management trainees who changed their behavior because of training, went back to their old habits after 6 months<sup>1</sup>



My Leadership Training Program



# TRAINING EFFECTIVENESS/RETENTION





# WHY EFFECTIVENESS DROPS

- Return to the “Real World”
- Busy workloads, priorities, and time pressure
- Insufficient opportunity to practice new skills
- Competing messages and motivators
- Disconnect with supervision or peers
- No chance to reflect, ask questions, evaluate
- Lack of **reinforcement** for positive behaviors
- The “*Organizational Antibody Effect*”




# WHY TRADITIONAL ISN'T WORKING?



- Non-Traditional Workforce
- Needs of Modern Learners
- Limited Resources
- Leadership Skills Gaps



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- Crave Instant Access to Information
  - Seek Social Validation
  - Search Online for Help at Work
  - Have Shorter Attention Spans
  - Comfortable with Technology

PROFILE OF A  
*MODERN LEARNER*<sup>1</sup>



## LEARNERS ARE MOBILE

- American workers check their mobile phones approximately 8 billion times a day
- The average worker is 150 times per day
- In other words, that is where employees spend their time



For Generation Z...  
the only phone  
they've ever known  
is a smart one!





# Left to Their Own Devices!

Over 70% of employees now use their personal mobile devices to access job related information and training.





**OMG... not  
another  
2-hour course!**



# HOW DO WE MAKE LEARNING...

- ✓ **More engaging**
- ✓ **More impactful**
- ✓ **More memorable**
- ✓ **More practical**
- ✓ **More useful**
- ✓ **More convenient**
- ✓ **More cost effective**





# Newest Trends in Learning

- Chunked
- Social
- Mobile
- Virtual
- Gamified
- Adaptive
- Experiential
- Blended
- Convenient







ANOTHER  
TOOL FOR  
OUR BELT





# Best Micro-Learning

- **Small but complete learning experience**
- **Bite-sized chunks**
- **Step-by-step structure**
- **Convenient access**
- **Intuitive search and use**
- **Platform independent**
- **Engaging and useful**





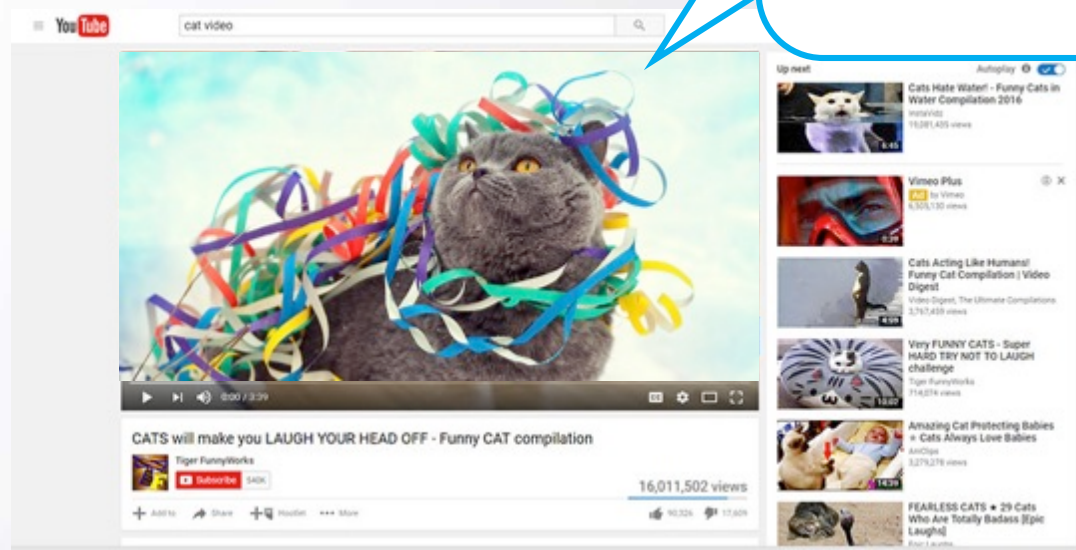
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# LEARNERS LIKE MICRO-VIDEO



YouTube

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# LEARNER BENEFITS<sup>1</sup>

- More Convenient and Portable
- More Adaptive
- Expands Short-term Memory
- Increases Retention 50-65%
- Faster Speed to Competence 40-50%





## Organizational Benefits<sup>1</sup>

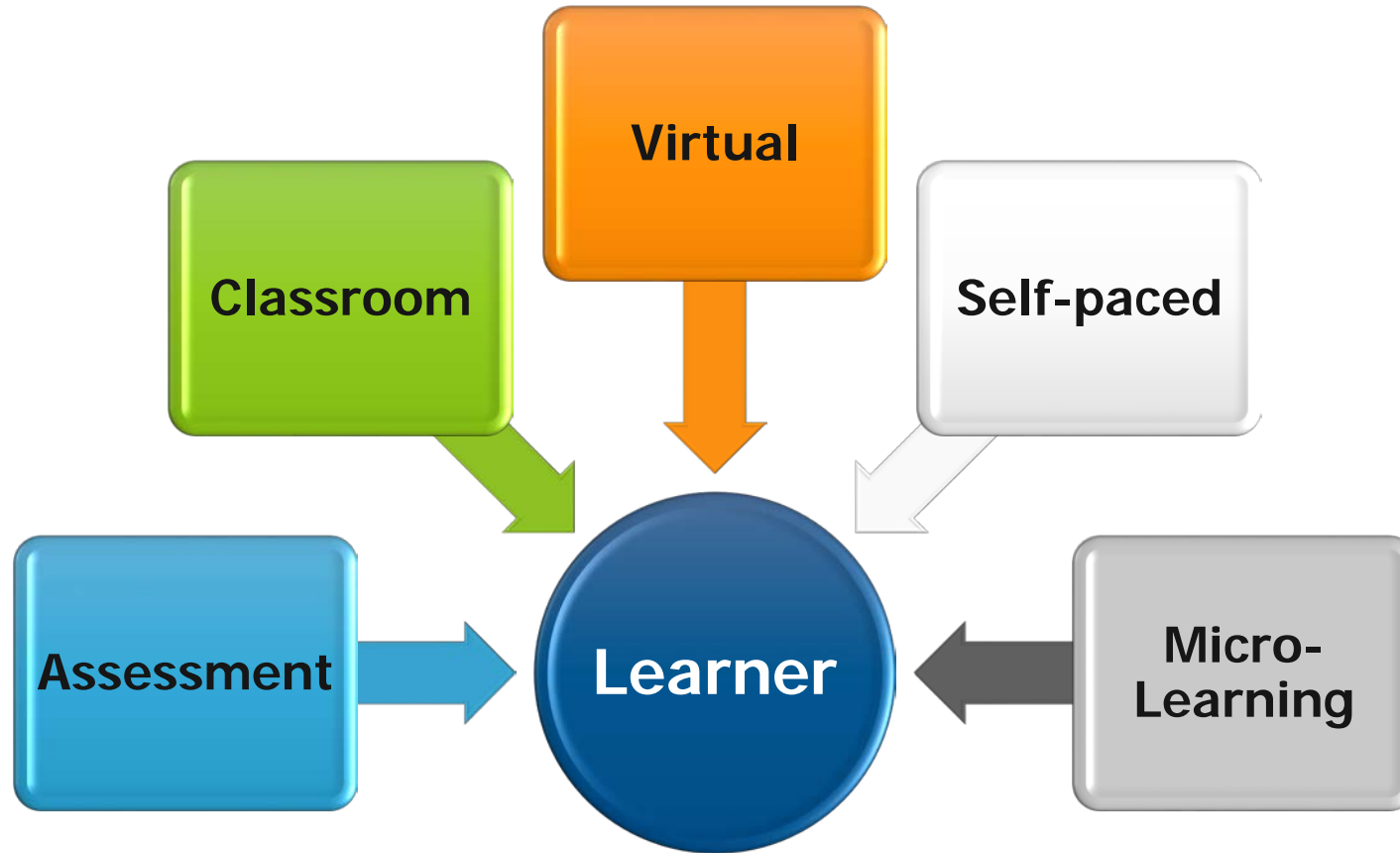
- **More Affordable** - Cuts Development Costs 50-75%
- **More Agile** - Increases Speed to Launch 300%
- **Increases Completion Rates** - Up to 75-95%
- **Easier to Manage/Update**
- **Decreases Administrative Burden**
- **Wider Utility**
- **Supports Globalization and Localization**



SLIPPERY WHEN WET!



# USE A BLENDED APPROACH






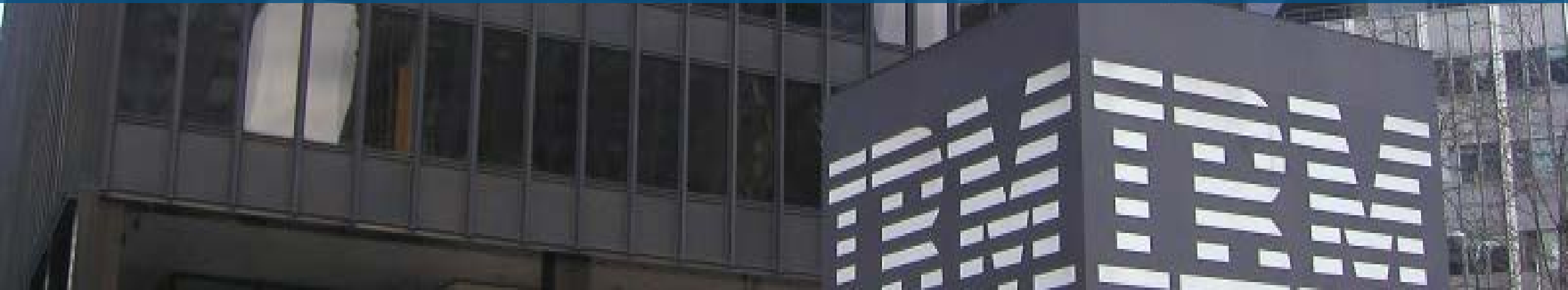
# Benefits of Blended Learning

- ✓ Can create a richer learning experience
- ✓ Better for long-term behavior change
- ✓ Better for complex skills
- ✓ Better for team problem solving
- ✓ Allows for more personal interaction
  - Peers
  - Instructors
  - Coaches/Mentors
- ✓ Supports long-term retention





“There are many reasons to consider a blended curriculum. We can talk about learning styles, budget considerations, content and format suitability, and even scheduling and travel costs. We’ve learned, however, that perhaps a more compelling reason to consider a blended curriculum is the learning makeup of today’s new workforce. It’s not possible to offer these dynamic new employees a meaningful learning experience, suiting their core characteristics, without using a varied blend of delivery modalities.”

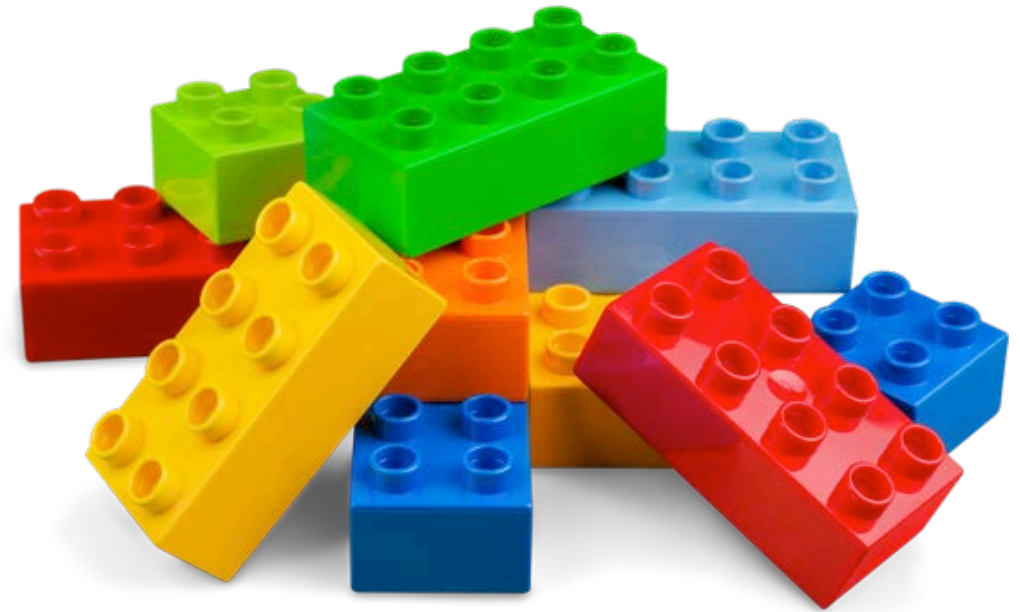






# MAKE IT A RICHER EXPERIENCE

- Assessments
- Pre-class Assignments
- Focused Classroom with Interactions
- Action/Development Plans
- Experiential Assignments
- Reinforcers and Follow-up
- Coaching/Mentoring Tied to Learning
- Performance Support Tools
- Additional Video like Behavior Models



# FLEXIBLE DELIVERY OPTIONS







# MAKE IT ADAPTIVE

Based on **My** Needs, Level, and Pace

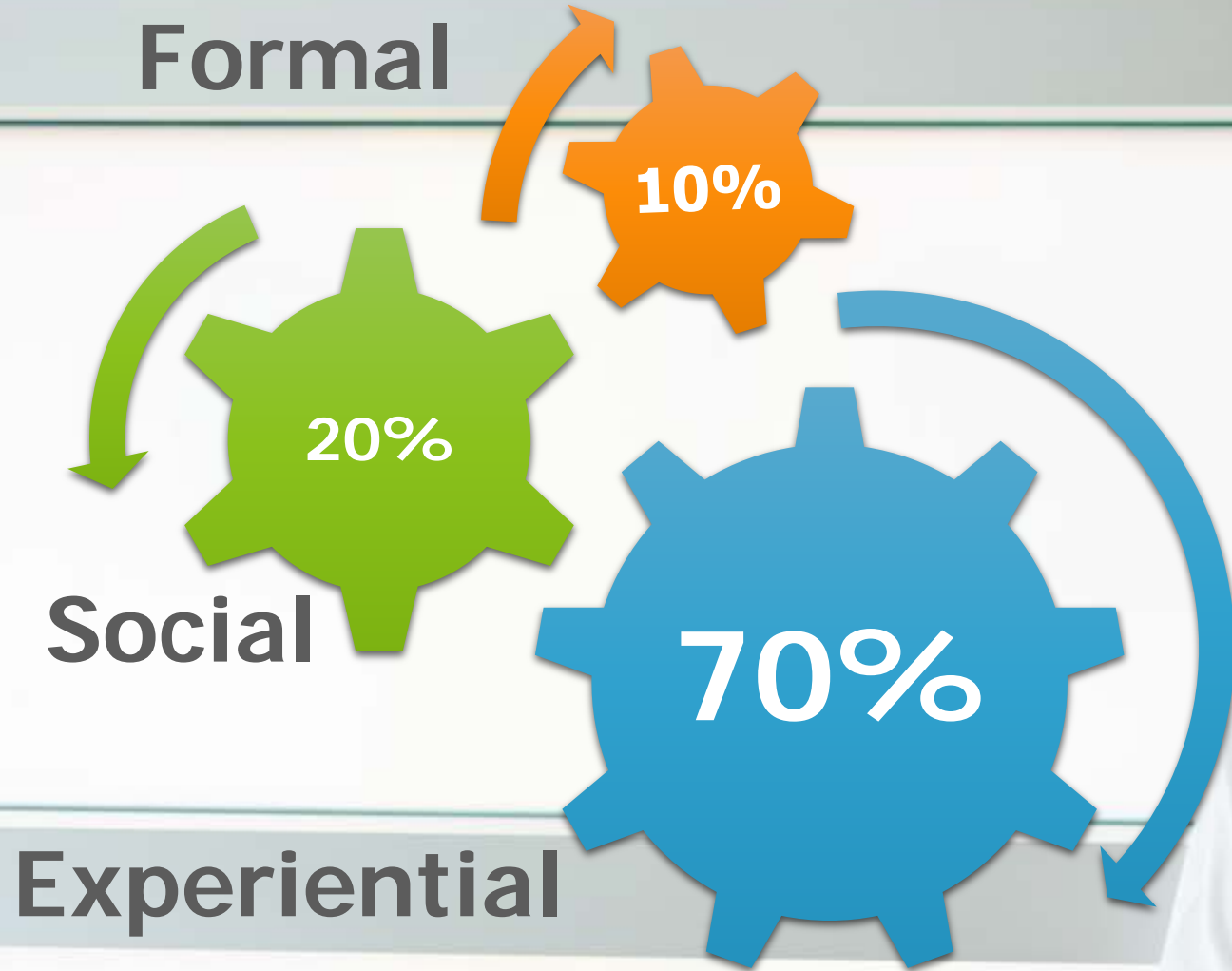
- 360 Assessments
- Self Assessments
- Dimensional Survey

Delivered in Ways **I** Like and Want

- Classroom
- Self-paced
- Micro-videos
- Audios
- Books, Print, and Digital



# MAKE IT EXPERIENTIAL







MAKE SURE TO  
**FOLLOW UP**

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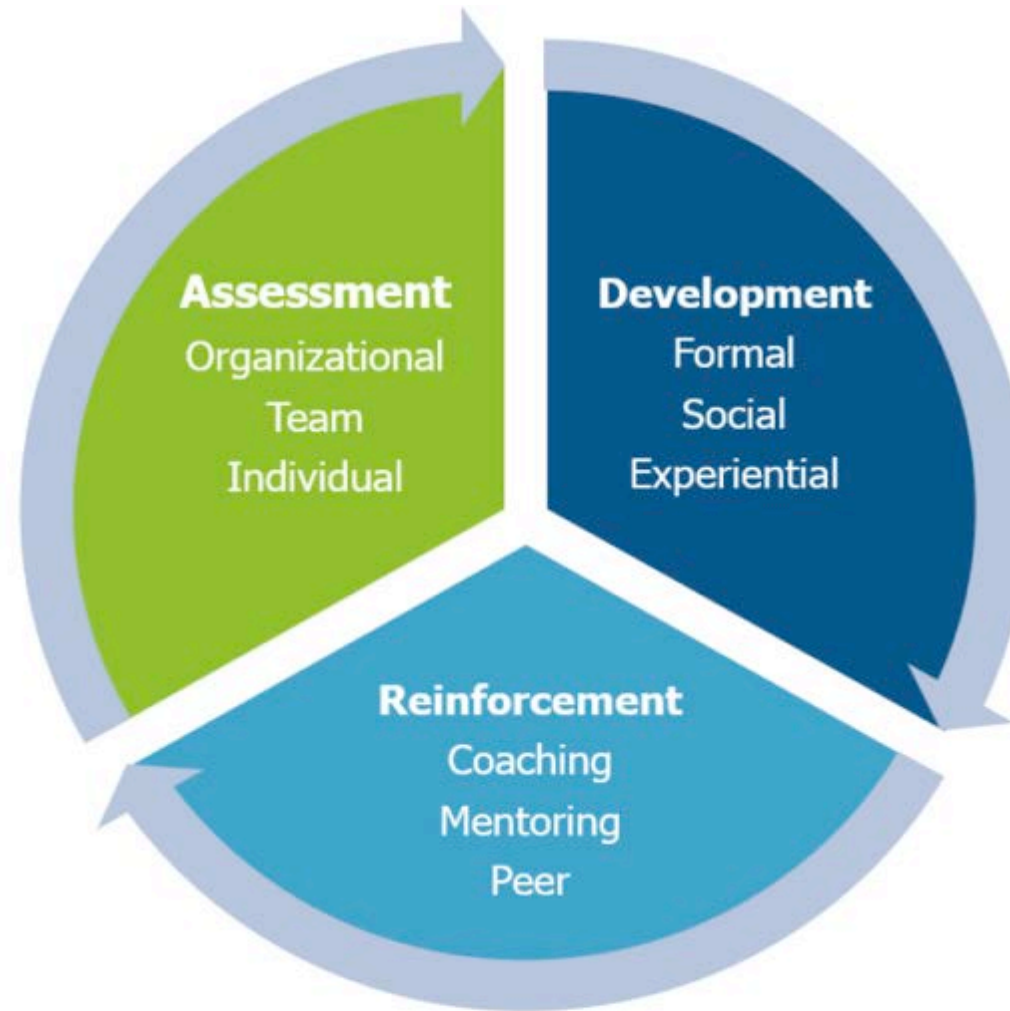
# PROFILE (CASE STUDY)

- Computer Services
- Rapid Growth Trajectory
- Family-Owned
- Generational Transition
- New Young CEO
- “*Great Place to Work*” (Goal)
- No Formal Leadership Training
- Budget Constraints
- Limited Internal Bench Strength
- Eager to Learn and Grow



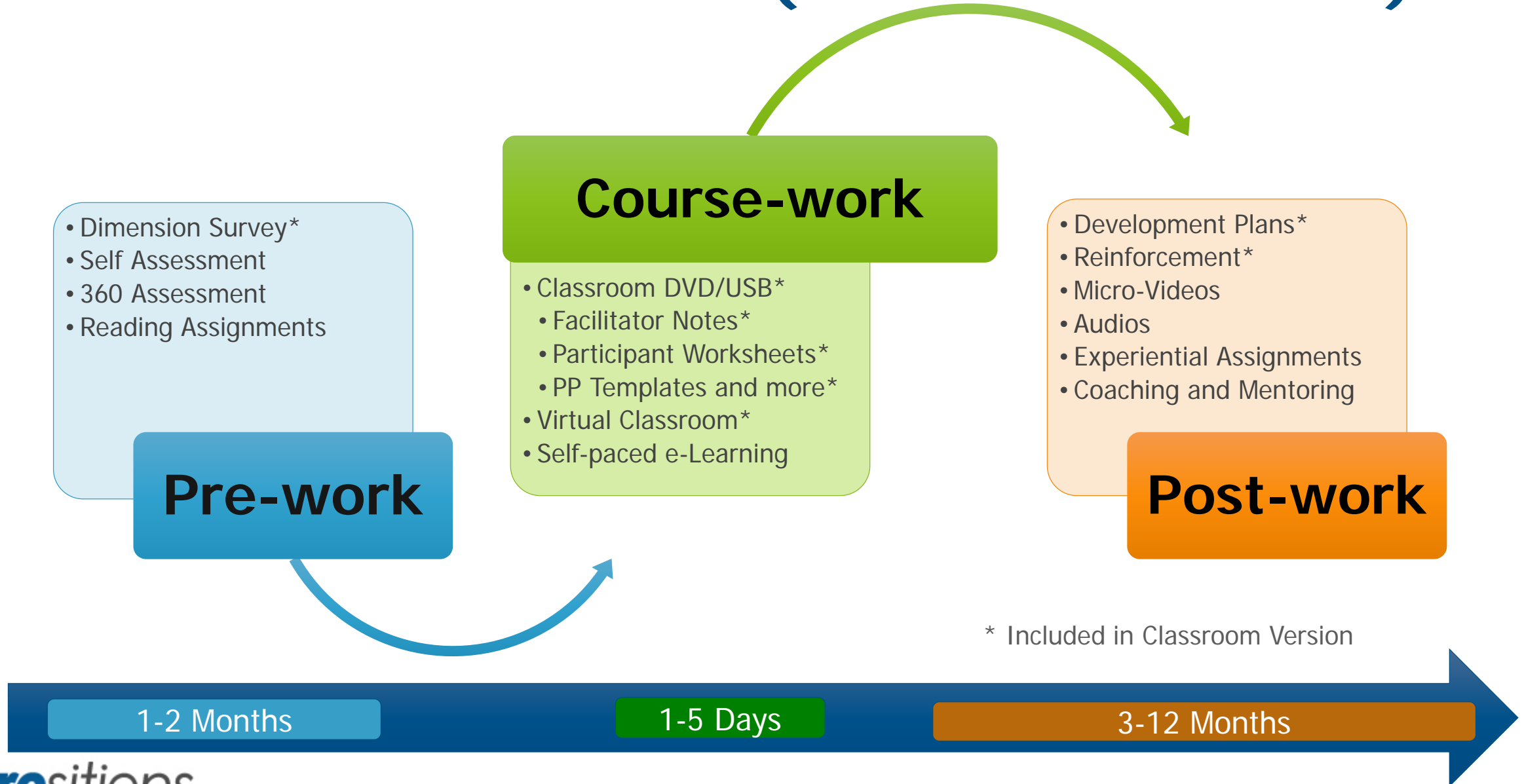


# PROGRAM DESIGN MODEL



***True Development Model***

# BLENDDED LEARNING (RICH EXPERIENCE)





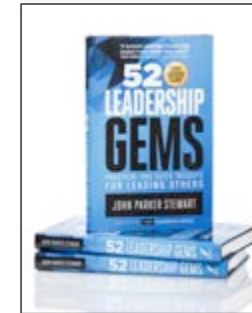
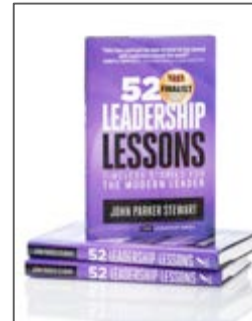
# OFF-THE-SHELF PROGRAM (BUDGET)



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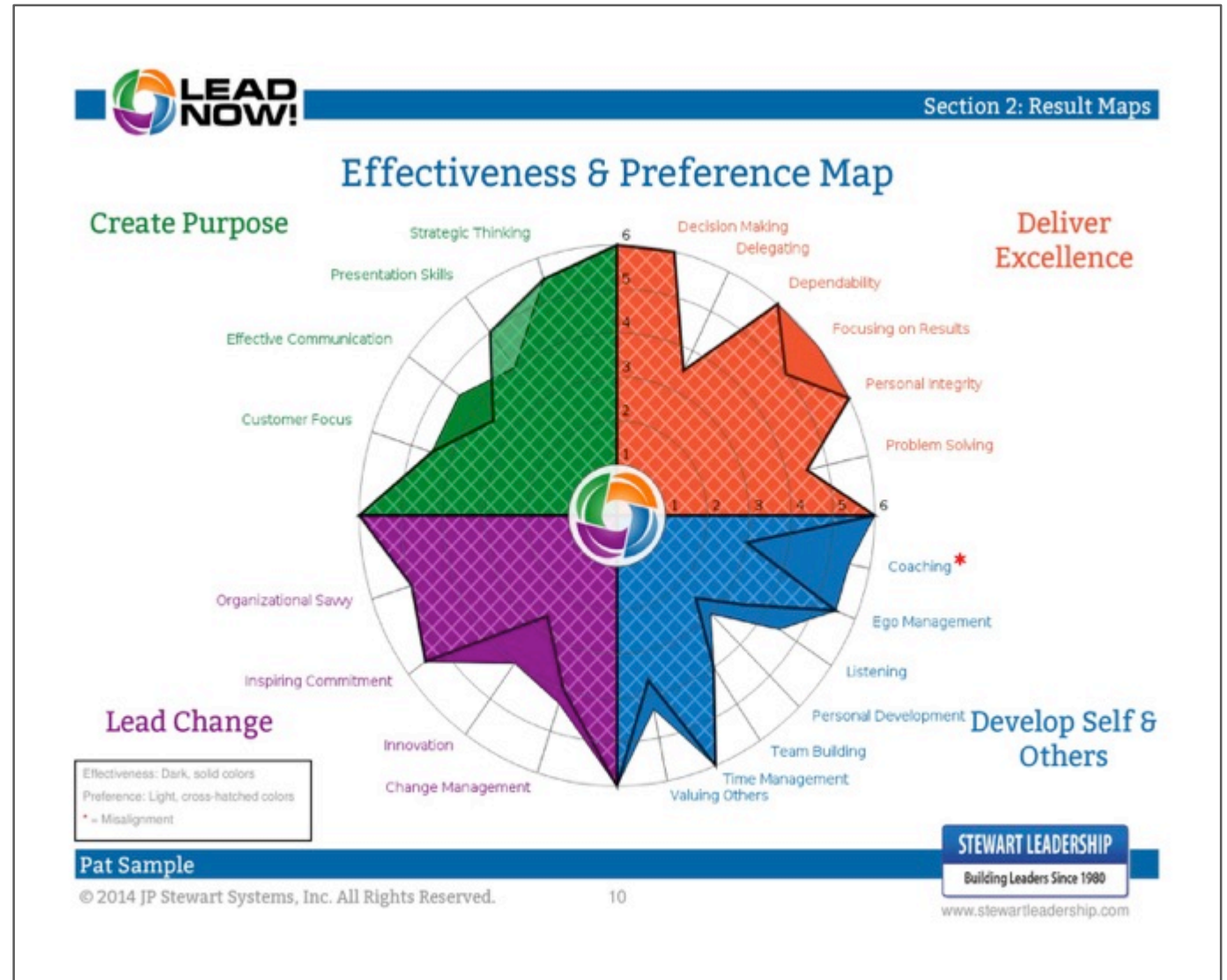


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# ONLINE ASSESSMENTS (ADAPTIVE)

- ✓ 360 Assessment
- ✓ Self Assessment
- ✓ Dimension Survey





# 22 MICRO-VIDEOS (ENGAGING STORIES)



Narrated



Lesson



Gems



Power  
Tips

# CLASSROOM/VIRTUAL (EXPERIENTIAL)



# SELF-PACED COURSE (CONVENIENT)

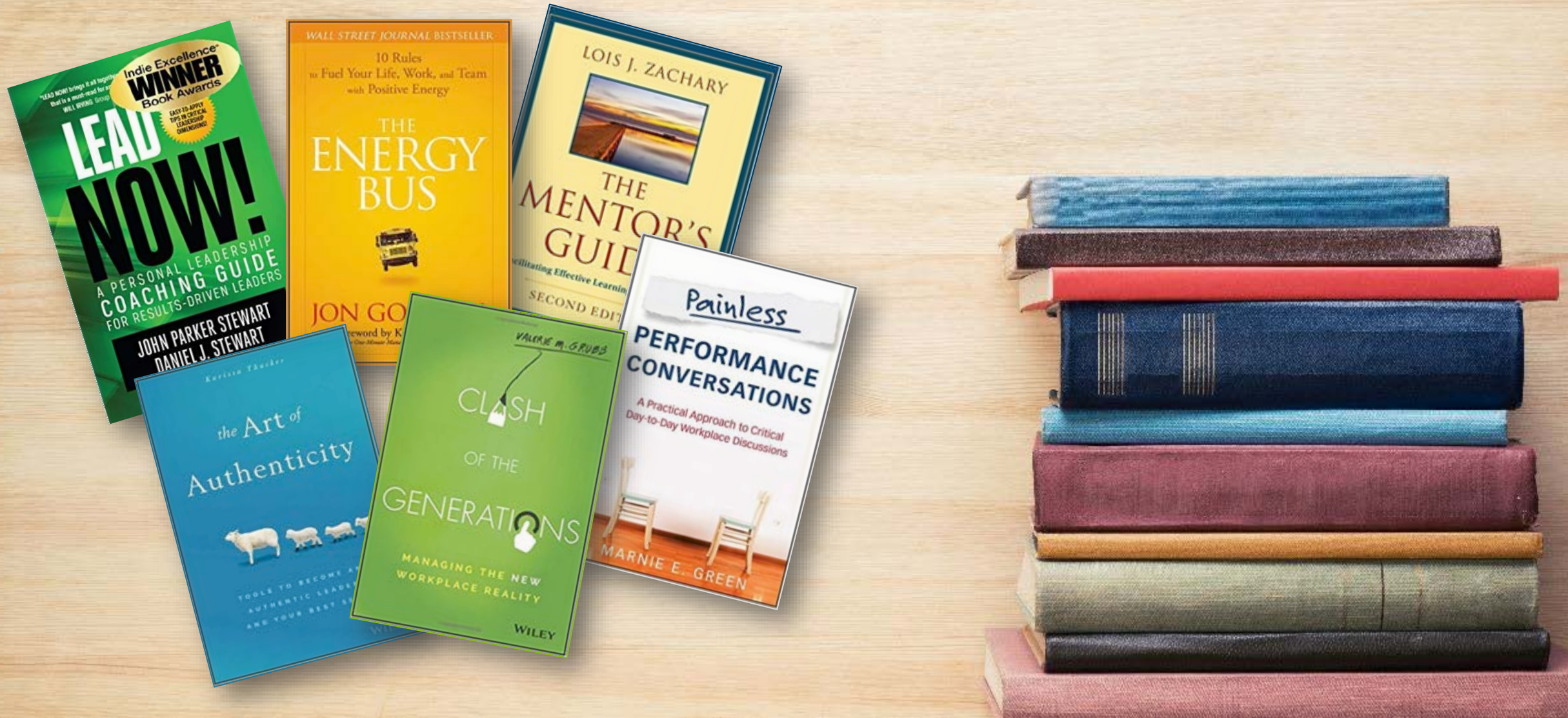




# ***DashTrain*** (REINFORCEMENT & SUPPORT)



# MASTER LEARNING SERIES (ONGOING)



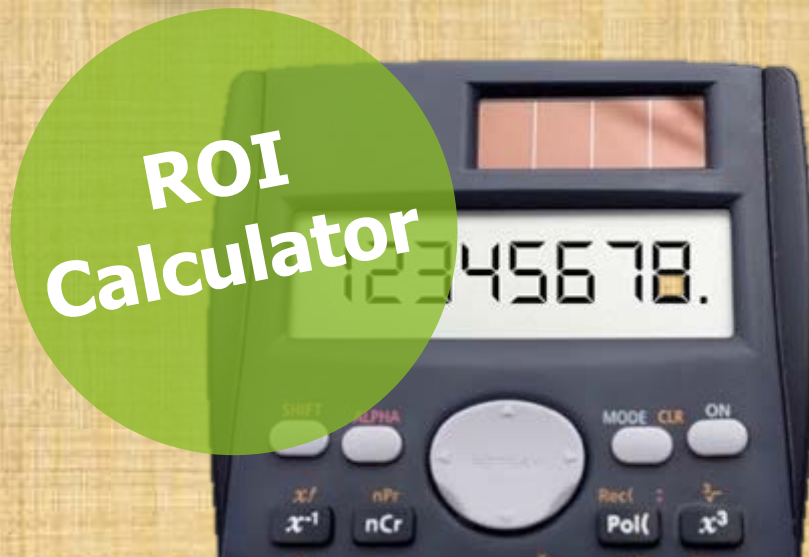


# RESULTS





# Freebies!



# QUESTIONS

