

Leading change and bringing your people with you Presented by Tom Flatau www.team-working.com





One percent better



Aggregation of marginal gains

 $1.01^{365} = 37$





The right stuff

"There is no such thing as a natural born pilot – its hard work and a life time's experience... the best pilots fly more than the others; that's why they're the best"

Chuck Yeager - broke sound barrier, 1947





Michelangelo

"If people knew how hard I had to work to gain my mastery, they would not call it genius at all."



Ed Sheeran's talent: explanation 1 - effort



Explanation 2 - a divine gift



The narrative fallacy

- A good story beats facts
- Simplifies a complex world
- We substitute thinking with emotion the affect heuristic



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Mindset

Fixed mindset

- Born smart and can't change much
- Sensitive about deficiencies and being wrong
- A challenge means we might fail
- Feedback is ok if it's good news
- Effort proves you're not a *natural*
- Others' success is a threat

Growth mindset

- Born to learn and grow
- Success comes from effort
- Enjoys challenge, risks and learning from mistakes
- Failure is part of progress
- Feedback is essential
- Others' success is an inspiration



Change in practice





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- How would you bring people along with the change?
- How could you alienate people?

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The connection machine

There are more possible neuronal connections than atoms in the universe! Our brain makes hundreds of new connections every second! - So **no two brains can be alike**



What does this say about telling?

In parts of the brain 20% of synapses are replaced every 24 hours - why? Neurogenesis - esp hippocampus



Neuroplasticity

One neuron connecting with over 15,000 neurons Multiply this by 86 billion!



Neurons connect to map new skills, knowledge and emotion.



Dr. Gyorgy Buzsaki, NYU Neuroscience Institute

The fixed mindset

The brain hardwires everything it can

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