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AppSec Awareness: A Blue Print for Security Culture Change

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- Explain security culture and application security awareness
- Provide the process for how to build your own application security awareness program
- Share knowledge, experience, and best practices building application security awareness programs



“What happens **{with security}** when people are left to their own devices.”

--Tim Ferriss

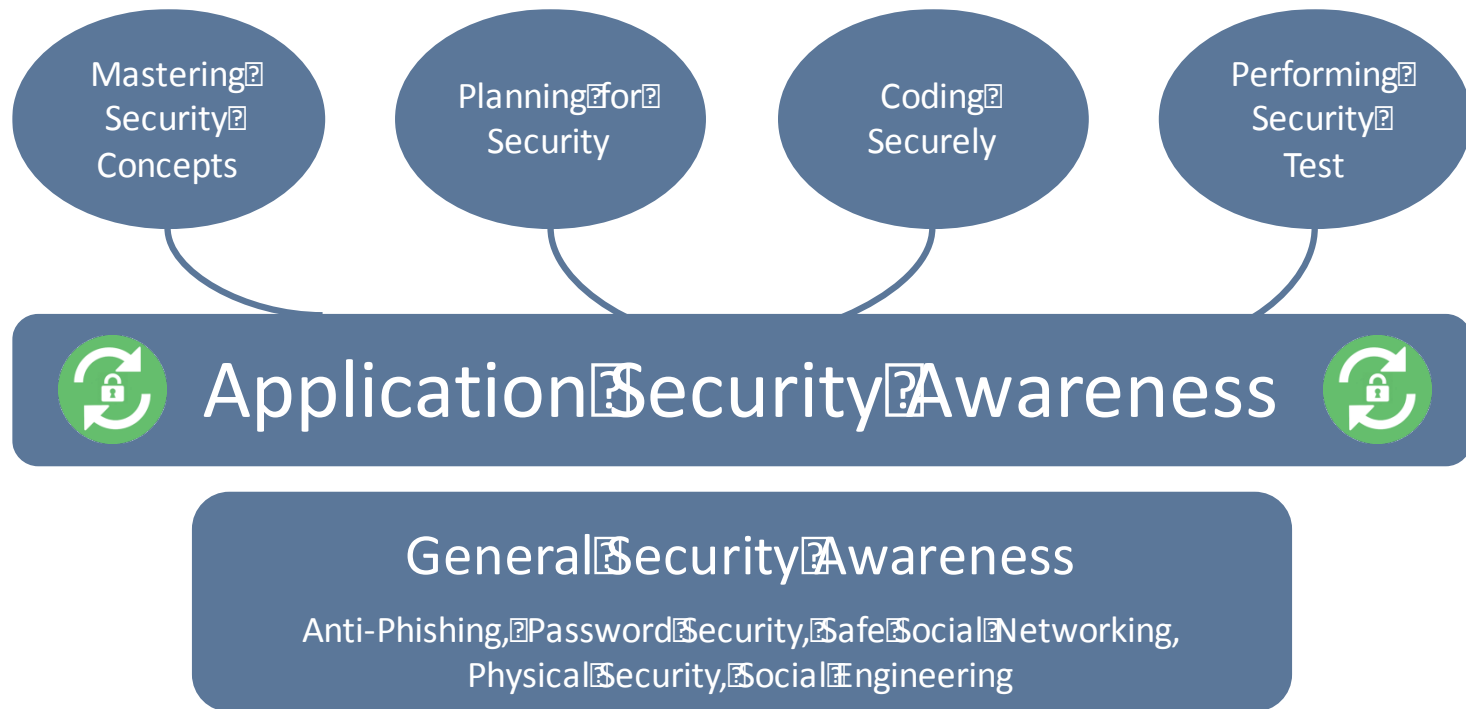
Security is non-negotiable



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What is Appsec Awareness?



Knowledge & History



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Role Based



Developer

Tester

Manager

IT

Activity



Application Security Awareness is...



A program that instills a security foundation,
changing security culture from the inside out

Goals of AppSec Awareness



Disrupt

Goals of AppSec Awareness



Sustainable

Goals of AppSec Awareness



Secure

My Experience



<http://blogs.cisco.com/security/the-cisco-security-dojo>





Mission



Define the problem



- Our organization lacks:
 - general application security knowledge
 - appreciation for the evolving threat landscape
 - experience with secure development practices and tools
 - motivation to step up and improve security

Assess Security Culture



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Program Objectives



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- ☐ Create a thriving program
- ☐ Teach everyone the importance of security
- ☐ Generate activity towards improving security
- ☐ Build security community

Build a Team

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SME



- **Define** the problem as it exists in YOUR organization
- **Assess** YOUR security culture, to determine how far you have to go
- **Define** what you are trying to accomplish (program objectives)
- **Build** a team of internal and external experts

A foundation...



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Program Architecture

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Theme



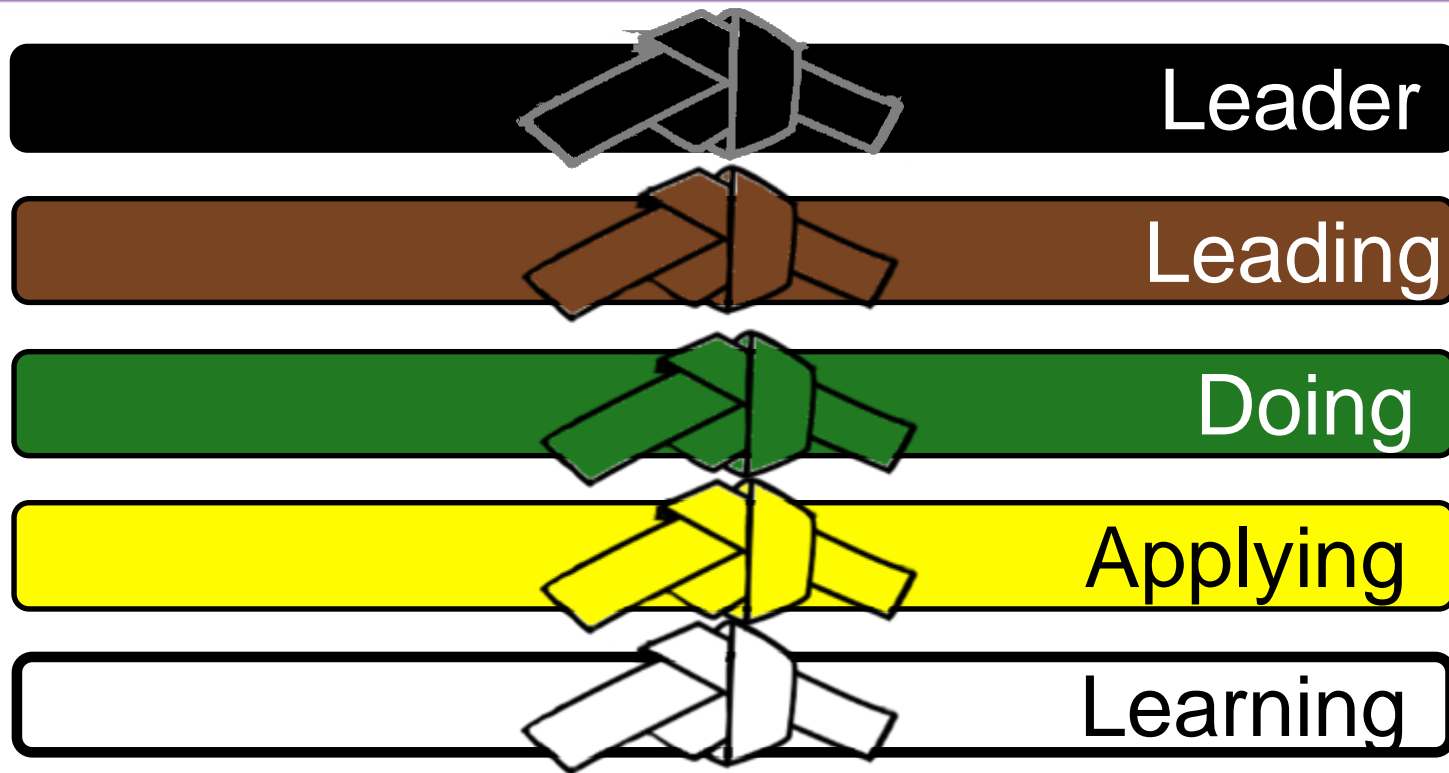
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Levels



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Roles



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Development

- SW Engineer
- Tester
- Manager
- HW Engineer

Operations

- IT
- DevOps

Internal

- Sales
- Marketing
- Executives

Everyone





Build

- A security tool or process
- Partnerships
- Security community

Enrich

- Mentor
- Teach a course
- Deliver presentations



Explore

- Security issue analysis
- Security committee
- A vulnerable web app

Implement

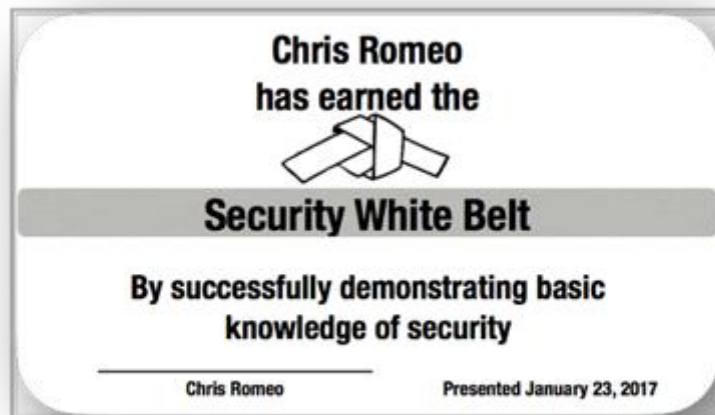
- A security feature
- A security test
- Security strategy



Recognition



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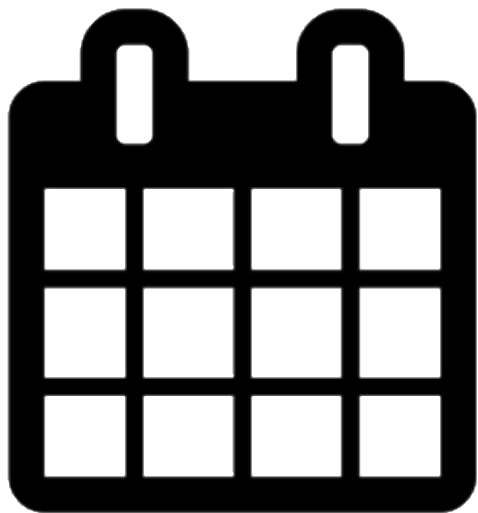
- Time
- External production partners
- Could be shoestring, could be millions



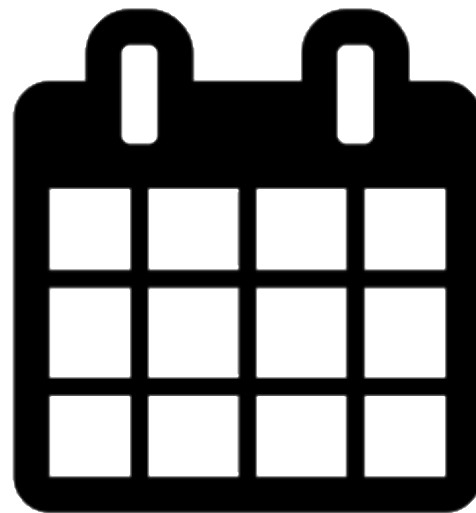
Schedule



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2016



2017, 18, 19?

Apply: Program Architecture



- **Choose** a theme that fits within the boundaries of YOUR organization
- **Define** your roles
- **Determine:**
 - the number of levels
 - what activities will you promote (if any)
 - your recognition philosophy and implementation



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Curriculum

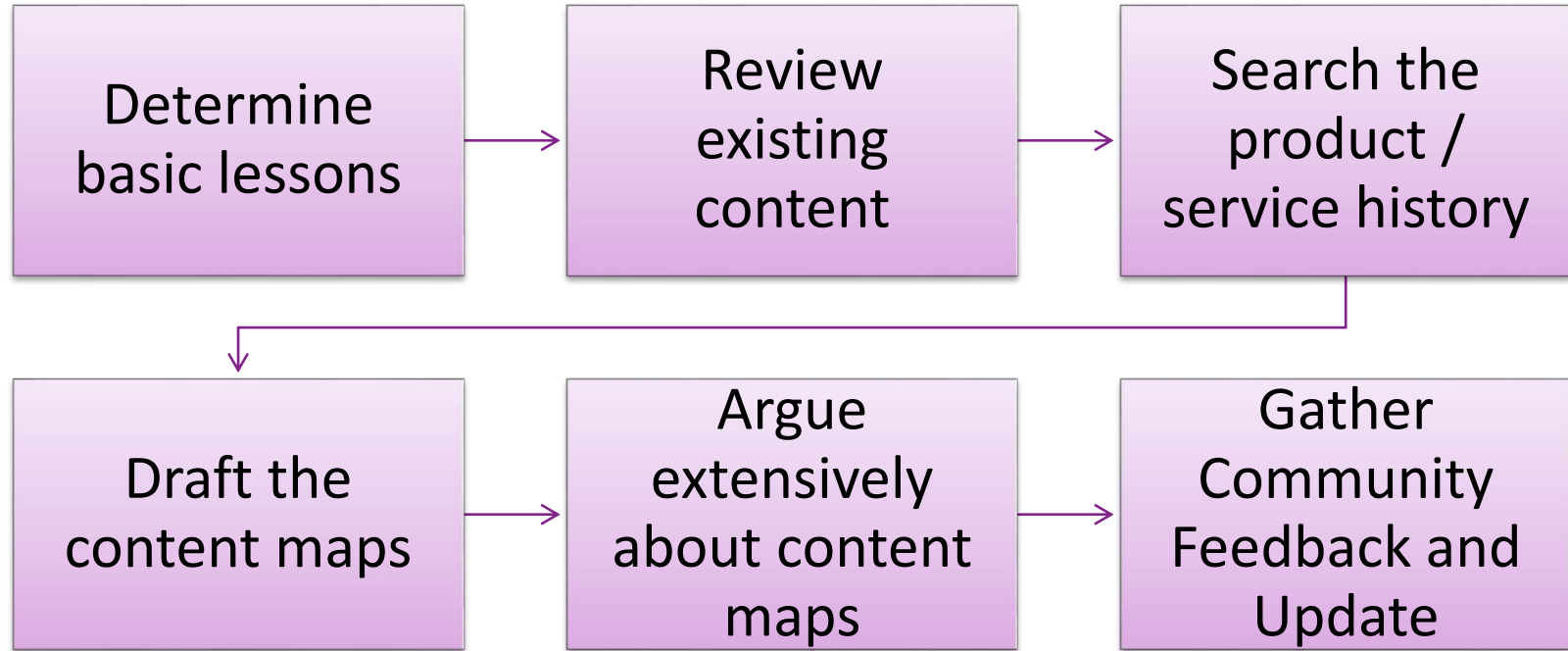


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Curriculum Development Process



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Level 1 Content Map



Security
Fundamentals

Threat
Landscape

Attacks &
Attackers

OWASP Top 10

Secure
Development
Life Cycle

Security Myths

Cryptography

Secure Design
Principles

Security
Standards

Privacy



Level 2 Content Map -- Developer



Secure Coding
with Java

XSS

Threat
Modeling

Input
Validation

SQL Injection

CSRF

Secure Code
Review

Using OpenSSL

Attacks Against
Human
Engineers

Testing Web
App Security

■ Develop:

- a curriculum development process for your program
- a content map for each level of your program



Content Creation

Content



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Assessment

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Assessment

[https://www.securityjourney.com/modules/threatmodeling/](#)

Overview Training Assessment Leave Feedback

Threat Modeling

Threat modeling provides the best return on resource investment during which phase of the secure development lifecycle?

- ☒ Secure Design
- ☐ Requirements
- ☐ Response
- ☐ Implementation

Correct

The secure design phase provides the best return on investment.

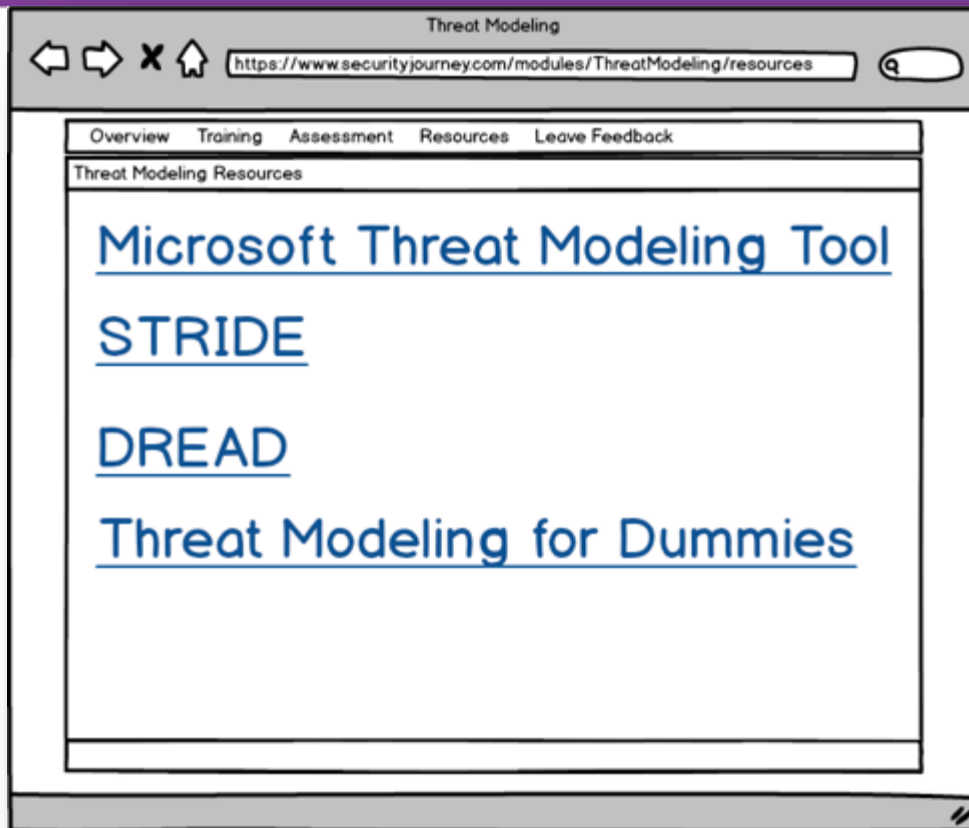
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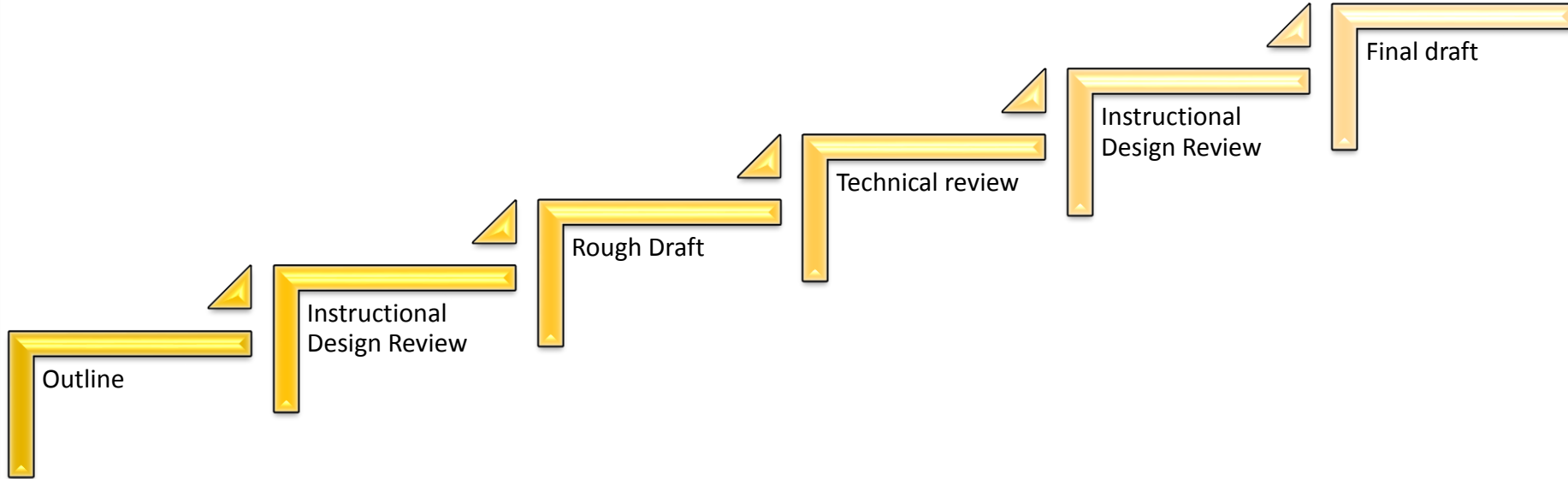
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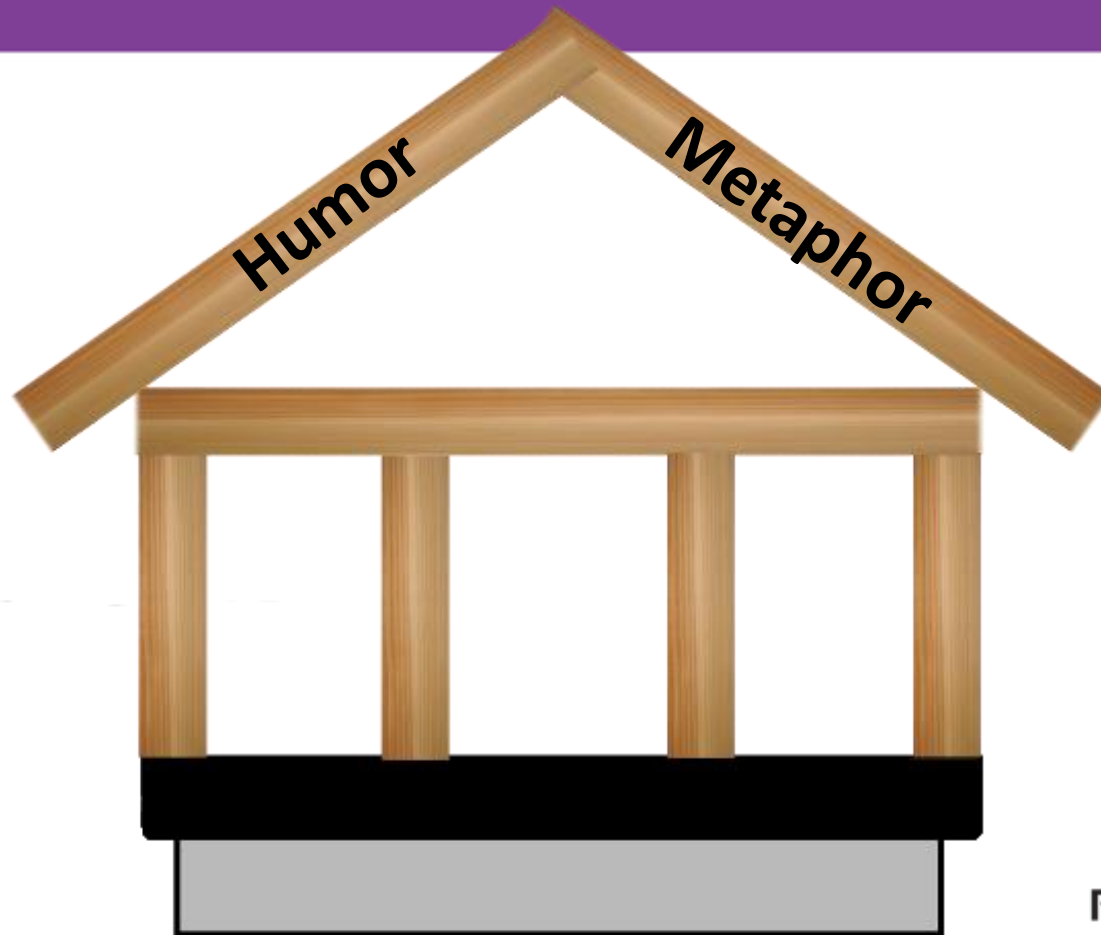
Content Creation Process



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- **Determine:**
 - Content style
 - Assessment structure
- **Build** your content development process



What is a security metaphor?



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- Still Cartoons
- Full motion cartoons
- Video



A word of caution...



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Apply: Humor & Metaphor



- **Decide** on your organization's tolerance for humor
 - Edgy to tame: where do you sit?
- **Brainstorm** ideas for security metaphors
 - bring your production team into the loop



Gamification



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Interface



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Fundamentals



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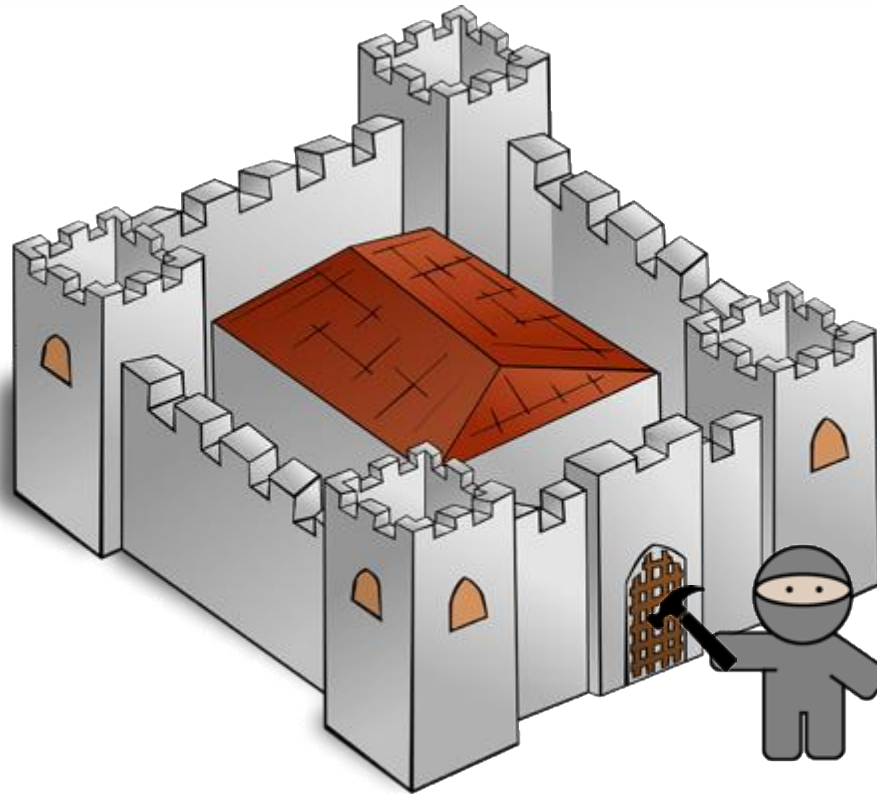
Security Myths



Cryptography



Privacy



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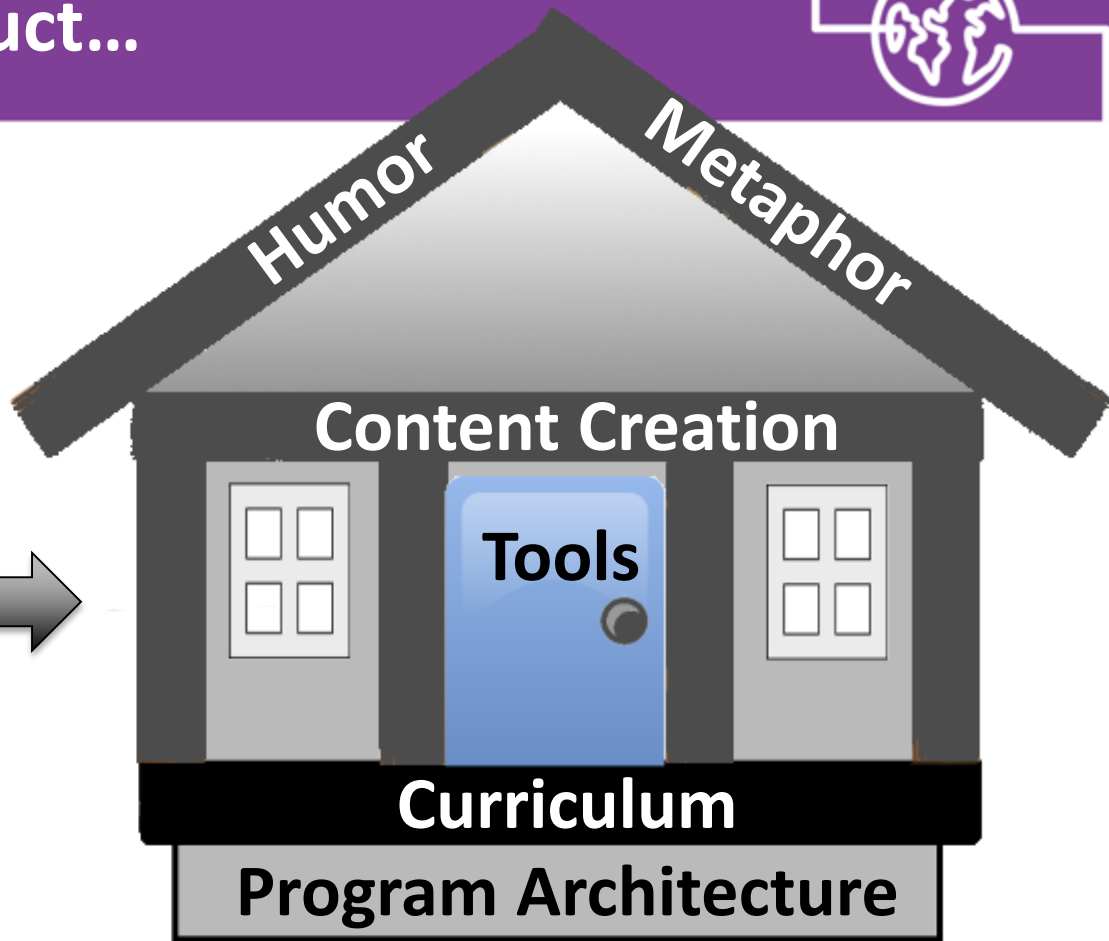
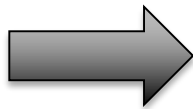


- **Decide** how to model your theme and content in a catchy interface that engages your learners
- **Study** gamification principles and incorporate
 - HINT: Ask your kids!
- **Plan** your dashboard; what is the hard hitting information that will bring visibility to your program?

The finished product...



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Build Your Own



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