Where do I start?

Time For Reflection

- evaluate what is working well and what should be done To learn from the past, take time at regular intervals to
- We make the same assumptions and the same mistakes based on those assumptions over and over again. differently
- what should be done differently. Pause in any activity to reflect on what is working well and

Where do I start

Test the Waters

- evaluating the result. When a new opportunity presents itself, see if there is any interest by using some of the patterns in this language and then
- When you learn about something new, you wonder if the
- organization is ready for it.Choose a pattern or two from this collection, use them, and then evaluate the result.

Where do I start?

Small Successes

- things you have to do when you're involved in an organizational change effort, celebrate even small successes. To avoid becoming overwhelmed by the challenges and all the
- a difficult process Every organizational change effort has its ups and downs. It's
- As you carry on Step by Step, take the time to recognize and celebrate successes, especially the small ones.

Take Action

Study Group

- Form a small group of colleagues who are interested in exploring or continuing to learn about a specific topic.
 There may be little or no money for formal training on the
- specific topic
- interested in Form a group of no more than eight colleagues who are exploring and studying an interesting topic

Keep It Going

Sustained Momentum

- of introducing the new idea on the back burner for a while. But the interest in the new idea in your organization. The many other things that need to be done will tempt you to put the task Take a pro-active approach to the ongoing work of sustaining
- work of sustaining interest in the new idea. Take a pro-active approach in the organization to the ongoing
- it may seem, to move you closer to your goal Take some small action each day, no matter how insignificant

Where do I start

Evangelist

- To begin to introduce the new idea into your organization, do everything you can to share your passion for it.
- You want to get a new idea going in your organization but you
- passion for this new idea drive you don't know where to start.

 To introduce a new idea into your organization, let your

Step Where by do I start? Step

- goal. organization by taking one small step at a time toward Relieve your frustration at the enormous task of changing an
- You wonder what your plan should be for introducing the new
- idea into your organization.

 Use an incremental approach in the change initiative, with short-term goals, while keeping your long-term vision..

Take Action

Mentor

- When a project wants to get started with the new idea, have someone around who understands it and can help the team.
 People want to use the new idea on their project but don't
- know how to begin.
- started with the innovation Find an outside or internal consultant or trainer to provide mentoring and feedback while project members are getting

Take Action

Just Do It

- your own work to discover its benefits and limitations. To prepare to spread the word about the new idea, use it in
- just good ideas that might work. You believe that the innovation can help the organization but you're not sure. You don't have any experience with the innovation yourself
- the innovation by integrating it into your current work Gather first-hand information on the benefits and limitations of

Keep It Going

Involve Everyone

- and make his own unique contribution. everyone should have an opportunity to support the innovation For a new idea to be successful across an organization
- new idea, may think of it as "your show." Even when you ask for help, there's a tendency to take on too much. Others, especially those who don't see the value in the
- marketing and training. change effort. Involve people from as many different groups as possible: management, administrative and technical support, Make it known that everyone is welcome to be part of the





















What do I do next

Innovator

- colleagues who like new ideas When you begin the change initiative, Ask for Help from
- organization You need people to jumpstart the new idea in your
- about the innovation and ask for help in sparking an interest for it in the organization Find people who are quick to adopt new ideas. Talk to them

What do I do next?

Ask for Help

- Since the task of introducing a new idea into an organization is a big job, look for people and resources to help your efforts.
 The job of introducing a new idea into an organization is too big for one person, especially a newcomer who doesn't know big for one person. the ropes
- Don't try to do it alone Ask as may people as you can for help when you need it.

What do I do next

Guru on Your Side

- members of the organization Enlist the support of senior-level people who are esteemed by
- a new idea unless it has the support of colleagues they respect People in an organization can be reluctant to show interest in
- respected by both managers and non-managers alike Enlist the support of experienced, senior-level gurus who are

Convince the masses

rial Run

- suggest that they experiment with it for a short period and study When the organization is not willing to commit to the new idea,
- daunting, or even impossible, task to try to ease everyone's worries before the new idea is adopted. endless supply of objections to the new idea. It would be a There are people in the organization who are expressing an
- organization, try the new idea for a limited period as an Suggest that the organization, or a segment of the

Convince the masses

Guru Review

- and other developers. Gather anyone who is a Guru on Your Side and other interested colleagues to evaluate the new idea for managers
- is a worthwhile idea. are reluctant to join in until they have some assurance that this Some managers and developers are supportive, but others
- evaluate the new idea Gather a review team of respected gurus in the organization to

What do I do next

Connector

- organization. To help you spread the word about the innovation, Ask for Help from people who have connections with many others in the
- everyone Your organization is too big for you to personally contact
- those who know and communicate with many others in your Ask for help in spreading the word about the innovation from

What do I do next

Just Say **Thanks**

- To show your appreciation, say "Thanks" in the most sincere way you can to everyone who helps you.
 People feel unappreciated when they work hard and no one
- notices or cares.
- most sincere way you can Find everyone who has helped you and say thanks to the

Meetings

Stay in Touch

- about them and make sure they don't forget about you Once you've enlisted the support of key persons, don't forget
- Your key supporters have too many things to think about and can forget about the new idea.
- Stay in touch with your key supporters

Convince the masses

Big Jolt

- To provide more visibility for the change effort, invite a high
- profile person into your organization to talk about the new idea.

 You've been carrying out some activities to give your new idea some visibility in your organization, but at some point you need to attract more attention to the effort.
- Arrange for a high-profile person who can talk about the new idea to do a presentation in vour crossiant.

Convince the masses

Royal **Audience**

- spend time with a Big Jolt visitor. Arrange for management and members of the organization to
- You want to get the most out of a visit from a famous person.
- available for teams, individuals, or managers Use spare hours or lunchtime during the day or evenings, before and/or after the featured presentation, to make the visitor





















Smell of Influence Strategies Success

- •When your efforts result in some visible positive result, people will come out of the woodwork to talk to you. Treat this opportunity as a teaching moment.
- about the innovation. When you start to have some success, newcomers will ask you
- innovation, treat their inquiry as a teaching moment. When people comment on the success they see with the

Influence Strategies Just Enough

- available when they are ready give a brief introduction and then make more information To ease learners into the more difficult concepts of a new idea,
- complex concepts can overwhelm novices
- When introducing the new idea, concentrate on the
- difficult concepts. Provide more information when they are fundamentals and give learners a brief description of the more

Influence Strategies

Hometown Story

- those who have had success with it to share their stories To help people see the usefulness of the new idea, encourage
- other people have used it successfully.

 Encourage individuals to share their experiences with the new People who haven't used the new idea may not be aware that

idea in an informal, highly interactive session.

Influence Strategies Token

- about it, but the enthusiasm quickly wanes as they forget To keep a new idea alive in a person's memory, hand out tokens that can be identified with the topic being introduced. People may be enthusiastic about a topic when they first hear
- Hand out small tokens that will remind people of the new idea

tomorrow what excited them today.

Influence Strategies 3 Your Space

- your organization. Keep the new idea visible by placing reminders throughout
- idea Unless people are reminded, they may forget about the new
- wherever people are likely to see it and discuss it Post information about the new idea around your organization

Influence Strategies

Location, Location, Location

- hold significant events off site.

 When you hold an event onsite at the organization, attendees To avoid interruptions that disrupt the flow of an event, try to
- can be easily distracted with their nearby work obligations
- nearby. Hold significant events of a half-day or longer offsite but

Dealing with Corridor Resistance **Politics**

- consequences of the decision.It's difficult to address the concerns of all decision makers an important vote to make sure they fully understand the Informally work on decision makers and key influencers before
- when a new idea is raised in a meeting.
- on-one before the vote. can kill it. Informally work on decision makers and key influencers one-Try to get the approval of anyone

Champion **Dealing with Resistance** Skeptic

- comments to improve your effort, even if you don't change their Ask for Help from strong opinion leaders, who are skeptical of your new idea, to play the role of "official skeptic." Use their
- leaders in your organization. Some of the resistors to the new idea are strong opinion
- Ask for help from a skeptical opinion leader to play the role of "official skeptic" or "official realist."

Dealing with Resistance Bridge Builder

- Pair those who have accepted the new idea with those who
- it's someone they don't know or trust Some won't listen to even the most enthusiastic proponent if
- Ask for help from Early Adopters, Connectors, or gurus who have already adopted the innovation. Introduce them to people discuss how they found the innovation useful. who have interests similar to theirs and encourage them to

Dealing with Resistance

Whisper in the General's

- Managers are sometimes hard to convince in a group setting, so meet privately to address any concerns.
- Managers who are against your new idea have the power to
- block your progress.

 Set up a short one-one-one meeting with a manager to address any concerns with the innovation and the effort to introduce it.





















Dealing with Resistance Fear Less

- Turn resistance to the new idea to your advantage
 Any innovation is disruptive, so resistance is likely.
- Ask for help from resistors

New Role

Dedicated Champion

- Effectively introducing a new idea into any organization is too much work for a volunteer. make a case for having the work part of your job description To increase your effectiveness in introducing your new idea,
- job description Make a case for including the change initiative as part of your

New Role

Ш arly Adopter

- the new idea. Win the support of the people who can be opinion leaders for
- interest must extend beyond the initial group of supporters To create more impact for the new idea in an organization,
- help from them Look for the opinion leaders in your organization and ask for

New Role

Corporate Angel

- To help align the innovation with the goals of the organization, get support from a high-level executive.
- and resources for the new idea, but you need high-level support Support from local management will provide some attention
- interest in the new idea and will provide direction and the Enlist the support of a high-level executive who has a special resources to support it.

People

Personal Touch

- can be personally useful and valuable to them To convince people of the value in a new idea, show how it
- of most individuals will not die without effort interest in the new idea, but you must do more - Presentations and training will arouse curiosity and some the old habits
- be personally useful and valuable to them Talk with individuals about the ways in which the new idea can

Meetings

External Validation

- from sources external to the organization. To increase the credibility of the new idea, bring in information
- Before being persuaded to accept a new idea, people want assurance that the idea has validity outside the organization.
- information about the new idea. Give people in the organization external sources of useful

New Role

Local Sponsor

- can be even more effective. Ask for Help from first-line management. When your boss supports the tasks you are doing to introduce the new idea, you
- You need attention and resources for the new idea
- your boss Find a first-line manager to support your new idea, ideally

New Role

Ш arly Majority

- must convince the majority. To create commitment to the new idea in the organization, you
- have impact. new idea in the organization, but you need much more to truly The support of Innovators and Early Adopters will spark the
- establish a strong foothold in your organization. Expand the group that has adopted the new idea rapidly to include the more deliberate majority that will allow the idea to

People

Shoulder to Cry

- To avoid becoming too discouraged when the going gets tough, find opportunities to talk with others who are also
- become discouraged. struggling to introduce a new idea.

 When you're struggling to introduce a new idea, it's easy to
- introduce the new idea or are interested in the process Get together regularly with others who are also working to

People

Tailor Made

- organization. gain from the new idea, tailor your message to the needs of the To convince people in the organization of the value they can
- interesting. impact on an organization, the idea has to Individuals can be intrigued by interesting ideas, but to have more than just
- organization Tailor your message about the innovations to the needs of the





















Meetings

Do Food

- Make an ordinary gathering a special event by including food.Usually a meeting is just another ordinary, impersonal event.Make food available at the meeting.

Meetings

Brown Bag

- Use the time when people normally eat lunch to provide a convenient and relaxed setting for hearing about the new idea.
- People can be too busy to attend optional meetings held
- during work hours.

 Hold the meeting in the middle of the day and invite attendees to bring their own lunches

Meetings

Piggyback

- practice in your organization. introduce something new, look for a way to piggyback on a When faced with several obstacles in your strategy to
- of your new idea but you're looking for an easier way. Several procedures or hurdles are required for the introduction
- organization Piggyback the new idea on a well-accepted practice in the

Meetings

The Right Time

- ask others for help Consider the timing when you schedule events or when you
- tend to focus on things that move them toward completing necessary tasks and making the deadlines.

 Be aware of those times when people are likely to be the When people face deadlines and have too much to do, they
- busiest. Schedule events and requests for help outside those

These patterns are covered in

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Next Steps

- identify what participants can do next. Take time near the end of an event about the new idea to
- A presentation in a training class or another event can leave attendees uncertain about what to do with what they have learned
- discuss how the participants can apply the new information Take time near the end of a presentation to brainstorm and

Meetings

e-Forum

- Set up an electronic bulletin board, distribution list, list serve, or writeable Web site for those who want to hear more.
- who might be interested in your new idea. You need to initiate and maintain regular contact with people
- Create a publicly accessible electronic, interactive forum.
 Advertise its existence. Keep it alive, active, and growing.

Meetings

Group Identity

- that it exists. Give the change effort an identity to help people recognize
- that the effort exists It's harder to introduce a new idea when people aren't aware
- Give the change effort an identity

Meetings

Plan the Seeds

- them when the opportunity arises. To spark interest, carry materials (seeds) and display (plant)
- You want to spark some interest in the new idea.
 Carry materials about the new idea to events where people gather. Put them in places where people are likely to pick them up and look at them.



















