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Week 01 Reflection

The scenario we had this week was finding out what symbol we had in common but could only communicate through our chains of command.

It was a very interesting way to teach the importance of creative thinking and communication, we learned that we had sort things out one piece at a time and rely on the leadership to effectively guide us through the scenario.

I would explain that we all know that communication is really important in getting tasks done in a timely manner, but I think we underestimate how much poor communication effects productivity!

Personally, I don’t know what I would do differently because our communication seemed to be pretty effective. However, I probably would have tried to do better at communicating with the manager about what the other team had, but for the most part we actually did everything pretty quick.

If this was a religion class, I would say that communication is just as important for that as well. Communication with our Quorums and Ward leadership with progressing the work is super important to growing the ward and having success with the missionaries. As well as having clear and honest communication with our Father in heaven through prayer. When we clearly explain the things, we need help with and are struggling with it is far more likely that we will get guidance and answers to our prayers as we stive to have that personal communication with God.

I learned about some experiences that some of my friends have been in with work when communication wasn’t present. They were telling me how materials for jobs that they were working on weren’t ordered and everyone just kept assuming someone else was taking care of it so it ended up putting them super behind and caused a lot of problems for a few weeks because they couldn’t get their product delivered when it was supposed to be.

I was one of the Leads in the group so I was able to contribute by quickly gathering the data from my team on what we all had in common so we could get things moving. I also had to ask a lot of specific and helpful questions to help things move quickly, which I believe led to a bit of our success.

Without effective communication teams and projects cannot function. If you aren’t effectively communicating with everyone involved things will be forgotten, overlooked, done incorrectly, or just fall apart because organization and coordination are not present. Also, if problems arise if that is not effectively communicated then everyone is affected, causing the entirety of the project to fall into chaos.