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What is SRE?

SRE is what you get when you treat operations as if it's a software problem. Our mission is to

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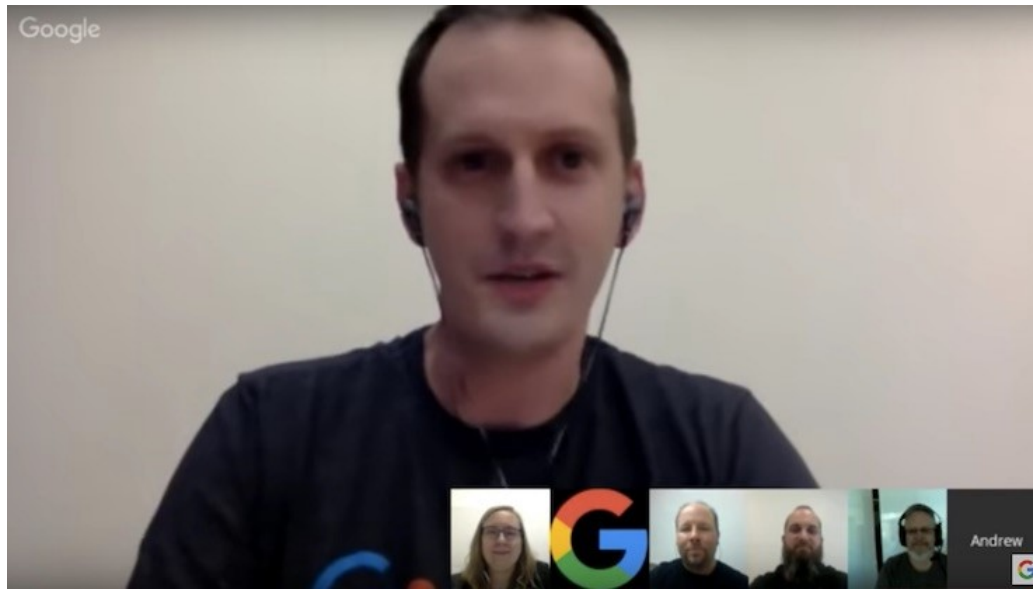
— with an ever-watchful eye on their availability, latency, performance, and capacity.

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"Here's what you do when someone breaks something or finds something very difficult to debug: You say thank you. Thank you for finding this edge case. Thank you for highlighting this overcomplicated part of our system. Thank you for pointing out this gap in our docs. And then you go make it so nobody can break it the same way again."

Tanya Reilly, Google SRE 2005 - 2018



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Hear four veteran Googlers describe their experiences as SREs: how their backgrounds led them to their current roles, what their day-to-day work looks like, and how they've seen the core questions SRE tackles (stability vs. agility, operational work vs. software engineering, proactive vs. reactive work) play out.

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