# Get Started with Goal Setting



# Goal setting is something everyone SHOULD DO and CAN DO

Objective today: Provide a starting point

# Mindset

"Choose a job you love and you'll never work a day in your life."

"Hard work pays off"

"Good things come to those who wait"

"Follow your passion not a paycheck"

"Everyone has to start somewhere"

"Follow Your Dreams"

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#### Needs

Non-negotiables

Required for a safe, stable, healthy, and purposeful life



#### Needs



I need health insurance that covers mental health services

I need to be able to prioritize doctor's appointments

I need 8-10 hours of sleep

I need to feel safe

#### Wants

Our desires & aspirations

Make life more enjoyable, fulfilling, and meaningful



Should never be prioritized above needs



#### Wants

- Meaningful relationships
- Autonomy
- Challenging work
- Travel/vacation
- Relocate in the next few years
- A manager who goes to bat for me
- To be part of a community
- Provide others with opportunities I've had
- **Example 2** Learn new things

#### Core Values

The guiding principles we use to form our foundation and determine if we're on the right path

#### Core Values

**Justice Autonomy Stability Compassion** Boldness Fun Flexibility Creativity Empathy **Vulnerability** Curiosity Growth **Trust Authenticity Balance** 

#### Anti-Goals

# Envision your worst day

#### Anti-Goals

I hit snooze 3 times

I got to work only minutes before my first meeting

And my coworkers were bothered by it

My calendar was completely booked

I forgot to pack my lunch so I ate whatever snacks I could find

I was talked over in a meeting

And I didn't feel comfortable discussing this with my teammates or my boss

I stayed late to get something "important" done that probably could have waited until tomorrow

I didn't have a moment where I joked or laughed with a coworker all day

I ran out of the office to make it to another commitment on time

I didn't have time to eat dinner

I was mentally distracted & feeling overwhelmed

I got a headache by the time it was over

I got home at 10pm

I realized I missed a text from a friend needing emotional support

I was too exhausted to take care of myself before going to bed



#### Anti-Goals

I'm exhausted ➤ I won't take on any commitments that go past 9pm

I don't have time to take care of myself ➤ I won't take on more than 2 extra-curricular work-related activities per week (e.g. volunteering, going to meetups)

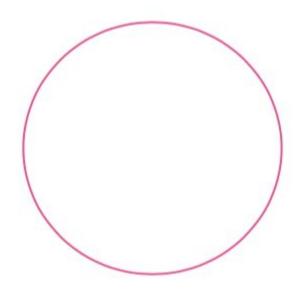
I didn't have time for the relationships that matter to me ➤ I won't prioritize work over my personal relationships

#### Get Focused

We can't focus on everything

What items are most important? What do we want to focus on today?

Refer back to this when creating and evaluating goals. Do they align with what we've identified here?







audacious

risky



bold

abstract

BIG GOAL

challenging



complex



"impossible"



Be a Great Teacher





#### Goal Overview

#### Know what I'm talking about

Identify what I do know well

Seek to understand the "Why"

Research topics I don't understand well

Create a learning plan





**Identify common themes** 



**Check for low-hanging fruit** 



**Consider dependencies** 

#### **Action Plan**

Goal:

Regularly research and document topics that I do not understand well

Start Date

9/17/18

Projected Due Date

10/31/18

#### **Action Plan**

Steps	Complete By
Set up a static blog using Jekyll	9/21/18
Set up a Github repo for code samples	9/21/18
Block time on calendar twice a week (at least an hour)	9/21/18
✓ Create a sticky note & log concepts	9/21/18
Identify 1 concept to research (week 1)	9/28/18
Use blocked time for research (week 1)	10/5/18
Create a code example explaining concept (week 1)	10/5/18
Write a blog post explaining the concept (week 1)	10/5/18
Discuss concept with coworker or friend (week 1)	10/5/18
Identify 1 concept to research (week 2)	10/8/18
Use blocked time for research (week 2)	10/12/18

# Try it out Do what works for you Re-evaluate

Worksheets, Slides, and more Resources:

https://github.com/menteaship/knowledge-base