

Lesson 3: Problem Solving and SWOT Analysis

Module 3 - Professional Life

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- O2 Problem tree
  - ដំណោះស្រាយ O3 Solution tree

04 Logical reasoning - SWOT Analysis



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# Problem and effective problem solver





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# Define what the problem is and how to be an effective problem solver ...

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#### Instruction (10 minutes)

Whole class - brainstorming

What is a problem?





តើបញ្ហាគឺជាស្ថានភាពដែលត្រូវបានស្វាគមន៍ទេ?

Is a problem a welcomed situation?

តើបញ្ហាអាចបង្កអន្តរាយដល់អ្នកទេ?

Can a problem harm you?

តើអ្នកត្រូវការដោះស្រាយបញ្ហាទេ?

Do you need to deal with a problem?

តើអ្នកជាធម្មតាត្រូវជំនះបញ្ហាមែនទេ?

Do you usually need to overcome a problem?





បញ្ហា ស្ថានភាព ចាត់ទុក

Problem is a matter or situation regarded as unwelcome or harmful and needing to be dealt with and overcome.

បែកជូន ជំនះ



#### Instruction (15 minutes)



ជាលក្ខណៈបុគ្គល

- Students work individually. ដុ
- Students take out a small piece of paper and write two of their current problems about study or life.
   Students walk around the class to share
- Students walk around the class to share their problems to their classmates.
- Trainer selects a few students to share their problems to the class.





វិធីក្លាយជាអ្នកដោះស្រាយបញ្ហាដែលមានប្រសិទ្ធភាព

#### How to be an effective problem solver

# Skills that an effective problem solver លជាអ្នកដោះស្រា should have...

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ជំនាញដែលជាអ្នកដោះស្រា យបញ្ហាដែលមានប្រសិទ្ធភាព គូរតែមាន

creativity

emotional intelligence

researching skills risk management

team work

decision making



#### Instruction (50 minutes)



- Students work in groups of 3.
- Students discuss in order to choose the two best skills of the six that an effective problem solver should possess and explain why...
- Each group presents it to the class.

#### 7 steps for effective problem solving...

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Identify the problem

Define goals

កំណត់គោលដៅ

Assess alternativ e វាយតម្លៃជម្រើ សផ្សេងទៀត

Brainstor m

ខ្លួរក្បាល

Choose the solution

ជ្រើសរើសដំ ណោះស្រាយ Execute the solution

អនុវត្តដំណោះស្រាយ

Evaluate

វាយតម្លៃ



### Problem tree





បង្ហាញ បង្កើត

Demonstrate how to create a problem tree...

Problem tree

វិធីសាស្ត្រ ការគូសផែនទី ចេញពីស្នួល

Method of mapping out core problems, along with their causes and effects, helping project planners to identify clear and manageable objectives.

- The trunk is the core problem.
- The roots represent the causes of the core problem.
- The branches represent its consequences.



Core problem

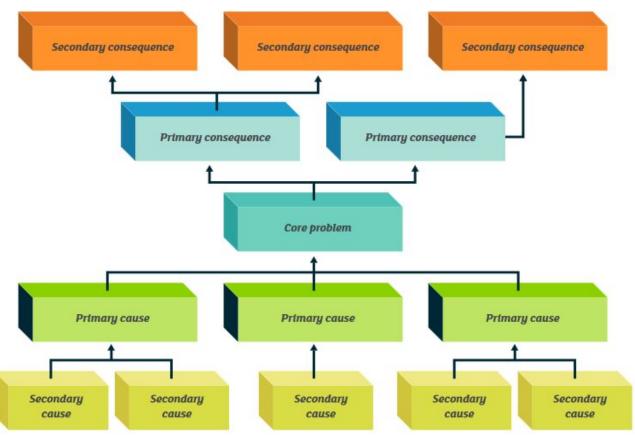


Causes





#### Problem tree template



#### Problem tree example



Low future income

Higher teenage pregnancy rates

More accidents

More crime

Consequences

Difficulty finding a job

Higher drug an alcohol use

Core problem

Teenagers don't finish school

Causes

Parents don't encourage them

School is not interesting

Need to find employment to support family

Parents don't think school is important

Parents too busy to discipline / support

Low family income



#### Instruction (50 minutes)



- Students work in groups of 5.
- Students think of a problem and create a problem tree.
- Students need to make sure they follow the guideline of the problem tree.
- Each group presents their problem tree to the class.



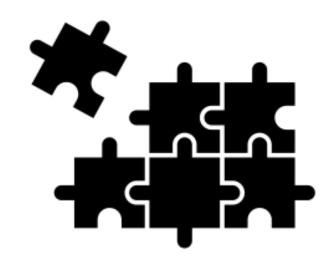
# Usefulness of the problem tree...

#### Usefulness of the problem tree



Provide in-depth information on the problem

#### Usefulness of the Problem tree



Help closely examine the problem by dissecting it into manageable pieces



#### Usefulness of the Problem tree



Help in developing a multi-pronged strategy to deal with the different aspects of the problem

#### Usefulness of the Problem tree





Ensure that every aspect of the problem is taken into consideration



### Solution tree





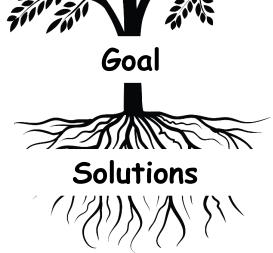
Produce a solution tree...

#### Solution tree



A solution tree outlines the initiatives, actions and projects which develop as logical solutions from the initial problem tree.

Problem tree		Solution tree
Core problem	<b>→</b>	Goal
Causes	<b>→</b>	Solutions
Consequences	<b>→</b>	Effects

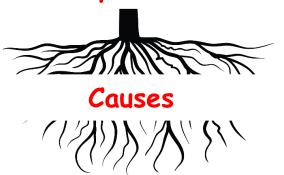




#### Problem tree & Solution tree



Core problem



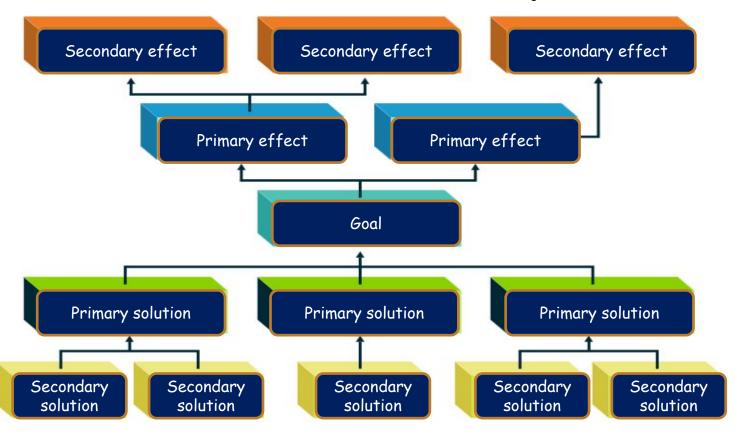


Goal



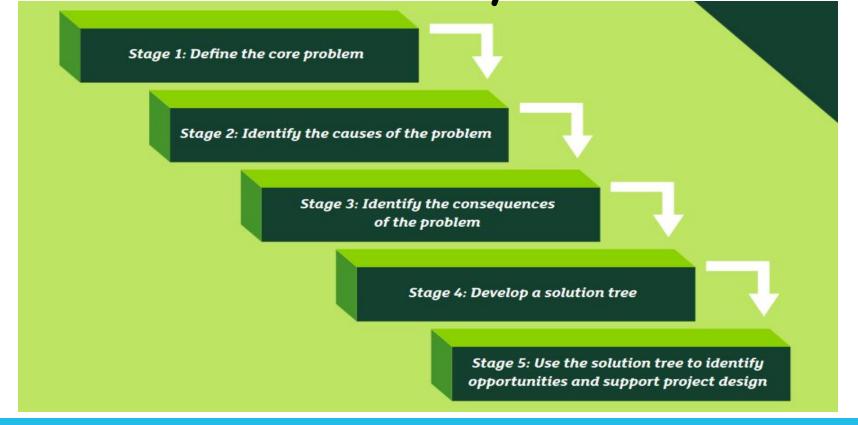


#### Solution tree template



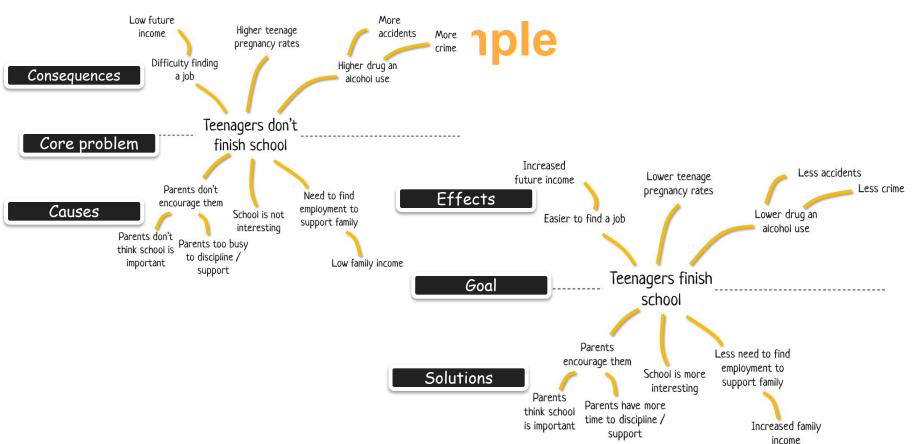
Key stages of the problem/solution tree analysis





#### **Problem tree & Solution tree**







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## SWOT Analysis













#### A SWOT

can help you better understand how to play to your strengths and manage your weaknesses, as well as uncover opportunities for growth and eliminate threats that could keep you from moving forward.



# To perform a personal SWOT, divide a paper into four quadrants

Strengths	Weaknesses
Opportunities	Threats



#### Strengths

Characteristics that give it an advantage over others



### Questions to discover your strengths



How do your education, skills, talents, certifications, and connections set you apart from your peers?

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What would your boss or co-workers say are your strengths?

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What values or ethics do you have that your peers often lack?

What achievements are you most proud of?



## Examples of personal strengths

Enthusiasm

Trustworthiness

Creativity

Discipline

Knowledge & skills Patience

Respectfulness

Determination

Dedication

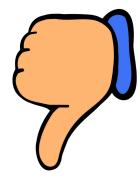
Honesty





### Weaknesses

Characteristics that place a person, a business, or project at a disadvantage relative to others



### Questions to discover your weaknesses



Where are your education, training, or skills lacking?

What would your boss or co-workers say are your weaknesses?

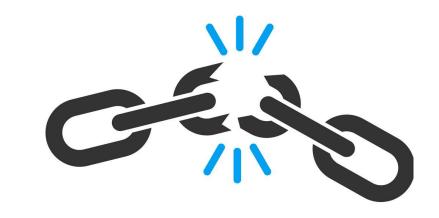
What are your negative work habits and personality traits?

What do you avoid because you lack confidence?

### Examples of personal weaknesses



Easily distracted
Not a fast learner
Easily get nervous
Not always confident



Take time to understand new concepts

Shy and not comfortable when talk to people



## **Opportunities**

Elements that a person, business, or project could exploit to its advantage



### Questions to discover your opportunities



What trends are affecting your industry?

In what areas is your industry growing?

How could new technology help you advance?

How could your connections help you?



### **Threats**

Elements in the environment that could cause trouble for the business or project



### Examples of personal opportunities



A specific job opening

Use of a new technology

An upcoming company project

Receive coaching in service of improving skills

Enhance ability to manage the need to complete task quickly

#### Questions to discover your threats



What obstacles do you currently face in your career?



Will new technology or certification demands slow your progress?

How is your job or industry changing in ways that could affect your advancement?

### Examples of personal threats



Changing market requirements and their impact on you

Changing professional standards that you don't meet

Reducing demand for one of your skills

Evolving technologies you're unprepared for

A company decision maker does not like or support you





# Instruction (50 minutes)



- Handout SWOT topics
- Students work in groups of 5.
- Each group receives one topic from trainer.
- Each group does the SWOT Analysis on the given topic.
- Each group presents their SWOT Analysis to the class.



## Discussion

Work in pair and take turn to answer the following questions...

- What have you learned from this lesson?
- Which points would you like more detail or don't you understand clearly?



Thank you!



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