

Reflection

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Total Points: 100 pts

What did I do to prepare for class this week? (5pts)

- I was able to read and study through all the reading materials given in the modules for week 2. These materials basically contain information about establishing influences, the importance and roles, and how everybody has them. I reflected on the highlights onto myself and made some self-evaluation before class.

What did I learn from the study material? (5pts)

- From “7 ways to build influence in a workplace” article, I have come to know that all the mentioned principles and highlights come down to developing a mindset of being effective and efficient at work, especially when working in a team. I learned that being effective is the reflection of hard work and efficiency. I believe that a person’s performance at work depends on how he/she decides to do things. For instance, if the person nailed his/her project presentation, it must be how he/she prepared for the presentation, and the result is made of what he/she did throughout the preparatory phase. The actions always matter!

Why is this week's topic important? (5pts)

- “Working is to making progress” is how I’d encapsulate this week’s topic. What is the point of working if there isn’t any progress made? Progress doesn’t always have to be getting “successful results”, but it can be our intellectual growth and our overtime skill development. I begin to comprehend why it is so important cultivate the suggestive and must “building influence” skills as they are prominent to how I am able to make and achieve success and goals that could bring me to a brighter future.

Summarize this week’s scenario? (5pts)

- I would summarize it into 3 things, and the 3 things are, performance, productivity and efficiency. All the points from this week’s topic are targeted for me as a student to achieve a higher level of teamwork. As I make effort to implement the suggested ways, such as “cultivating reliability through consistency” and “be personal”, I begin to see some refinements

in my ability and skills in a particular aspect. I believe that these useful tips will lead me to leveling up my potential and capabilities.

What would you do differently next week? (10pts)

- I will make the habit to evaluate my effort daily of implementing the skills that I'm being taught in this class. I will try to be more optimistic and confident to apply these skills that will help me to progress better. Sometimes I do find myself struggling to apply certain skills related to this topic, but as I learn to step out of my comfort zone, I begin to see myself stretched and refined, so as my ability and confidence enhanced. Keeping track of my progress helps me to identify what I can and must do better to improve. In this way, I can stay more accountable to my goals and I can become more reliable too.

What do you do, steps, or processes related to this week's topic? (10pts)

- The steps are such as building trust among team members and being reliable. I chose those 2 points because I sometimes do find myself struggling with it. As I try to apply these steps, I begin to catch up on the skills that I need, to be on top of things such as my assignments and projects. The other process that I happen to learn as I implement these steps is, I learned to be more teachable and humbler. Working well in a group requires a person to be willing to learn and take in new and fresh ideas from another person. As a group successfully combined a handful of amazing ideas and thoughts from a discussion, the result can be brilliant as the ideas are made up of variety and creativity. This point also goes well with "being assertive, but not aggressive".

Why is this week's topic important for teamwork? (20pts)

- This topic is extremely important for teamwork because teamwork requires a lot of collaboration and communication. Failing to meet this criterion will badly affect a group's performance. The highlights from this week's topic basically illustrate how to function effectively in a group, especially when teammates come together to discuss a certain issue or a project that needs to be taken care of. Not having that unity or connection can break the main objective to produce a satisfying result. I learned that to be successful, we must be able to learn how to work together with other people. Multidimensional Influence Model (MIM) technically explained how beliefs and actions work. For instance, beliefs influence consciousness, connectedness and representation. Having this cultivated into ourselves can bring remarkable success, progress and even results in teamwork.

How does your experience relate to other experiences you have had? (20pts)

- There is this one time where I was put in a group of 5 to complete a high school project. I found that some of my team members were not participative, and this issue could affect our overall group performance and our project quality. I came to a conclusion that I must be that person to speak up for the sake of completing the project beautifully. Without a solid teamwork, there will be no way the project would meet the expectations. I learn that having the courage to stand up and to take the lead can bring others into a phase of realization. It is always better to clarify issues in the best and professional manner than to keep our mouth shut when we identified a problem that requires to be solved.

If this was a religion class, how would you relate this week's topic to the gospel? (20pts)

- The Lord always taught us to be submissive and humble to keep learning and progress daily. We know for the fact that no one is perfect, and the Lord has given us this wonderful opportunity to learn and develop knowledge and skills. These things are essential not only to my career/occupation, but also to stretch my spiritual ability to strengthen my testimony and faith. This week's topic also reflects Jesus's leadership skills when He worked with His apostles in spreading His teachings and conducting His minister to serving others. He was so humble that He would always try to understand His apostles when they tend to struggle. I learn that having this attribute will help me to increase my quality of "building up influence".