

# Building the Backbone of the Framework: ITIL® 4 Guiding Principles

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# What You'll Learn



**What are the guiding principles?**

**How do the principles relate to value creations?**



# Guiding Your Organization Forward: The ITIL® Guiding Principles

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*A guiding principle is a recommendation that guides an organization in all circumstances, regardless of changes in its goals, strategies, or structures. It's universal and enduring.*



Encourages and supports organizations in continual improvement at all levels

Organizations should consider all principles, not just one or two

Not all principles might apply, but should be considered



# The Guiding Principles

Focus on value

Start where you  
are

Progress  
iteratively with  
feedback

Collaborate and  
promote  
visibility

Think and work  
holistically

Keep it simple  
and practical

Optimize and  
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# Relating the Principles with Value Co-creation

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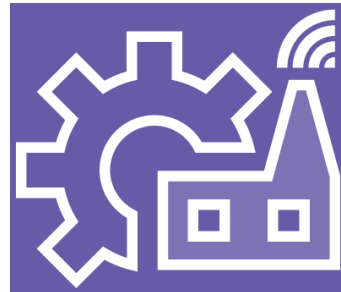
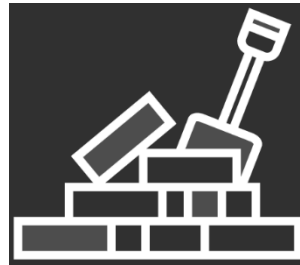
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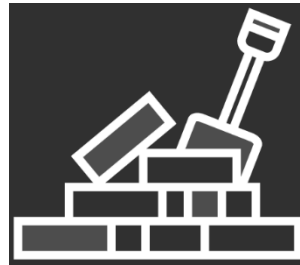
Understand and identify the service consumer

Understand the consumer's perspective of use

Map value to intended outcomes, which change over time

Understand the customer experience

# The Guiding Principles



# Start Where You Are



Look at what exists

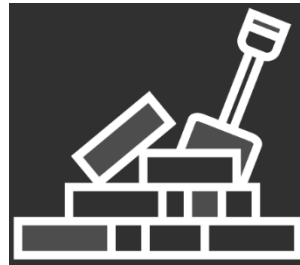
Determine if successful practices/services can be replicated

Apply risk management skills in decision making

Recognize that you might need to start fresh



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# Progress Iteratively with Feedback

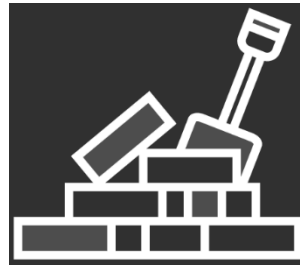
Comprehend the whole but do something

The ecosystem is constantly changing, use feedback

Fast does not mean incomplete



# The Guiding Principles





# Collaborate and Promote Visibility

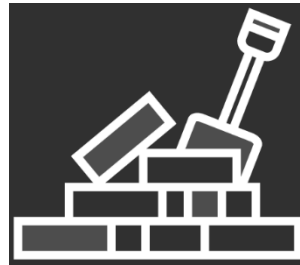


**Collaboration does not mean consensus**

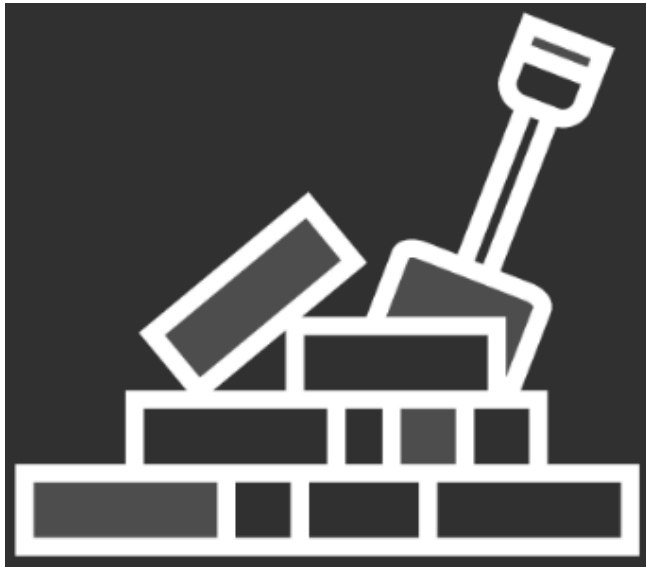
**Communicate in a way the audience can hear**

**Decisions can only be made on visible data**

# The Guiding Principles

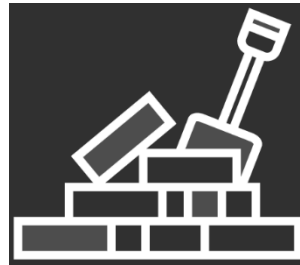


# Think and Work Holistically



- Recognize the complexity of the systems
- Collaboration is key to working holistically
- Look for patterns between system elements when possible
- Automation can facilitate holistic work

# The Guiding Principles



# Keep It Simple and Practical

Ensure value

Simplicity is the ultimate  
sophistication

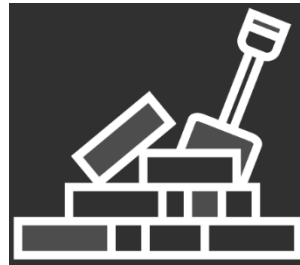
Do fewer things but do them  
better

Respect the time of the people  
involved

Easier to understand, easier to  
adopt



# The Guiding Principles



# Optimize and Automate

**Simplify and/or optimize before  
automating**

**Define your metrics**

**Understand and agree to the  
context for the optimization**



## The guiding principles help with value co-creation

- Know how service consumers use each service
- Encourage a focus on value among all staff
- Include focus on value in every step of improvement
- Focus on value even in daily operations





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