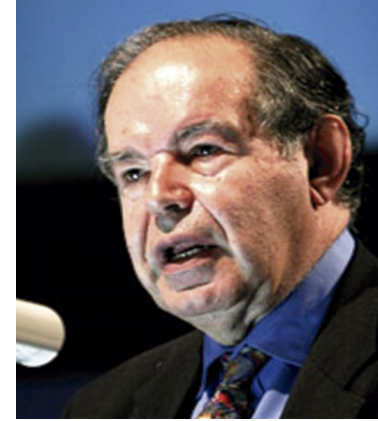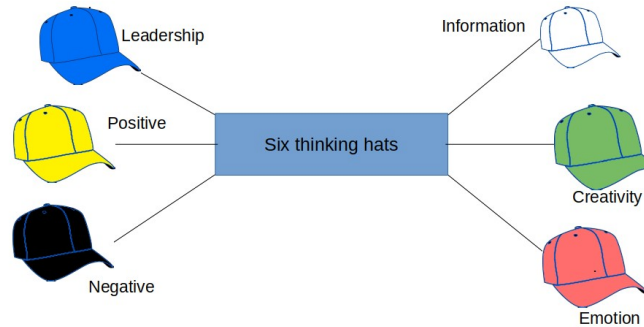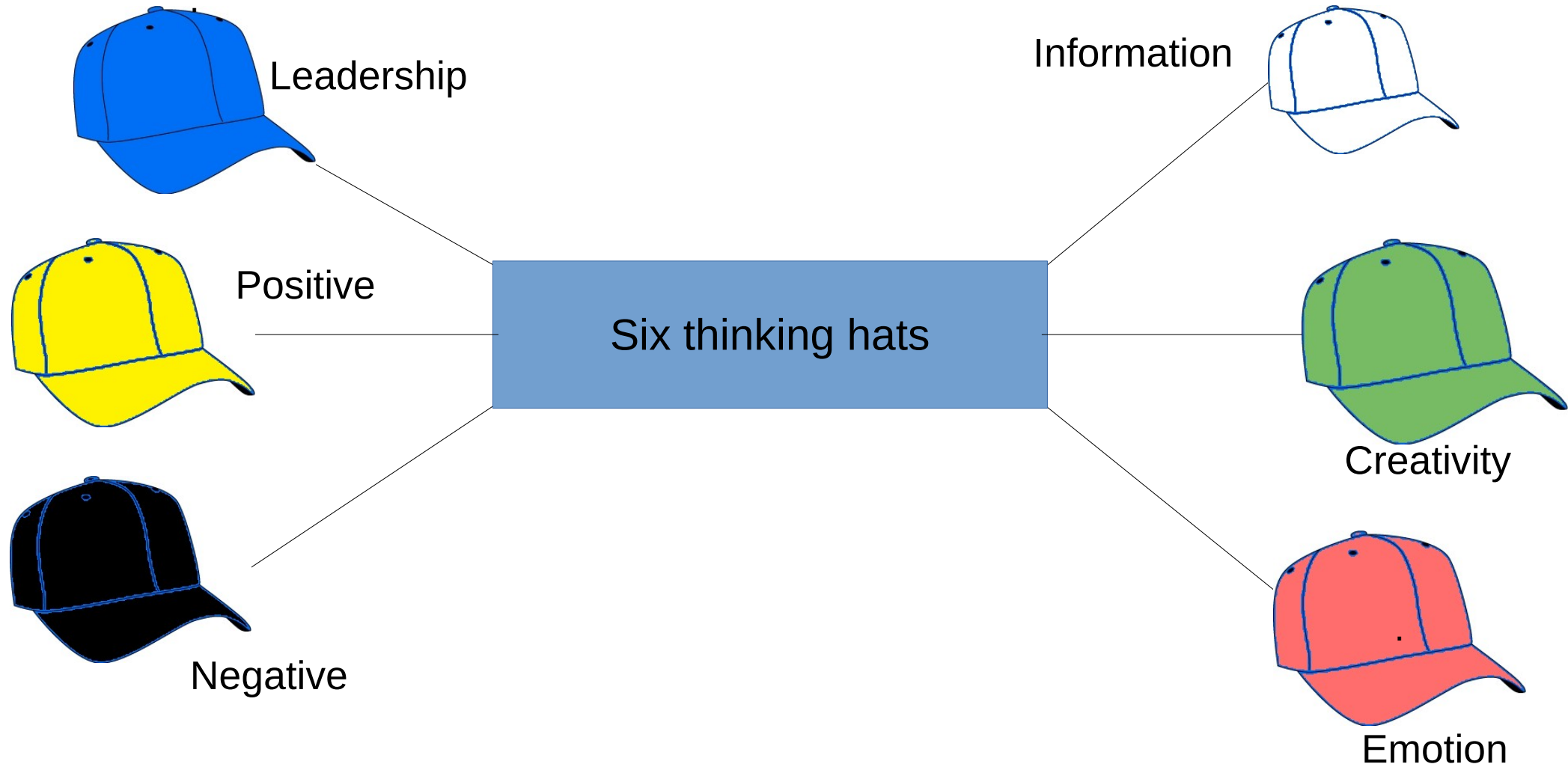# Six Thinking Hats
-by Edward de Bono

Edward de Bono is the world Known expert in Creative Thinking. The Six Thinking Hat is one such technique. The main idea is that group only "wear one hat at a time", while considering the problem. Wearing of hat is Metaphorical. Each hat signifies its own function and speciality.
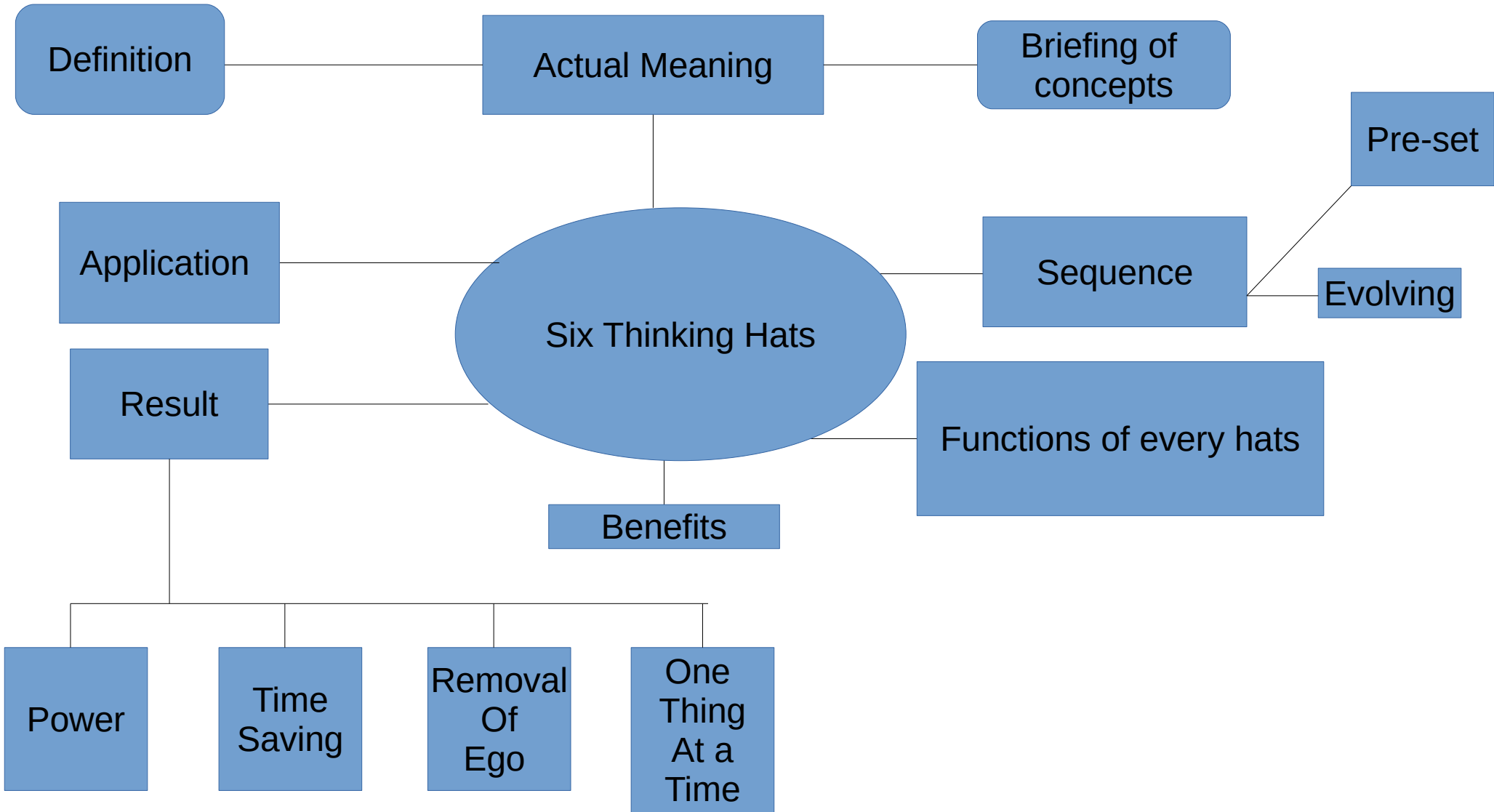
The Big Idea

- Confusion is the Biggest Enemy of good thinking

- The six thinking hats method can be used as a tool:

➢ To create more creative atmosphere

➢ Improve Communication

➢ Train People to use clearer way of thinking

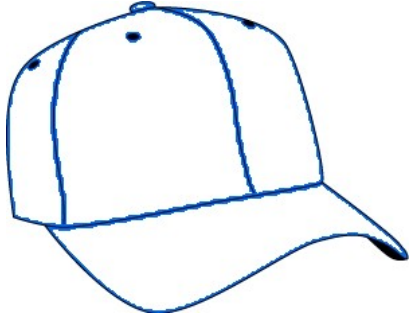- Hats are visual clues for us to allow an easy switch in our modes of thinking

Function of Each Hat:

Leadership

Information

Positive

Six thinking hats

Creativity

Negative

Emotion

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Definition ──────── Actual Meaning ──────── Briefing of
                                             concepts

                                                              Pre-set
Application ───────                            Sequence ─────
                      Six Thinking Hats                 ─── Evolving
Result ──────────

                                    Functions of every hats

                     Benefits

Power    Time      Removal    One
         Saving    Of         Thing
                   Ego        At a
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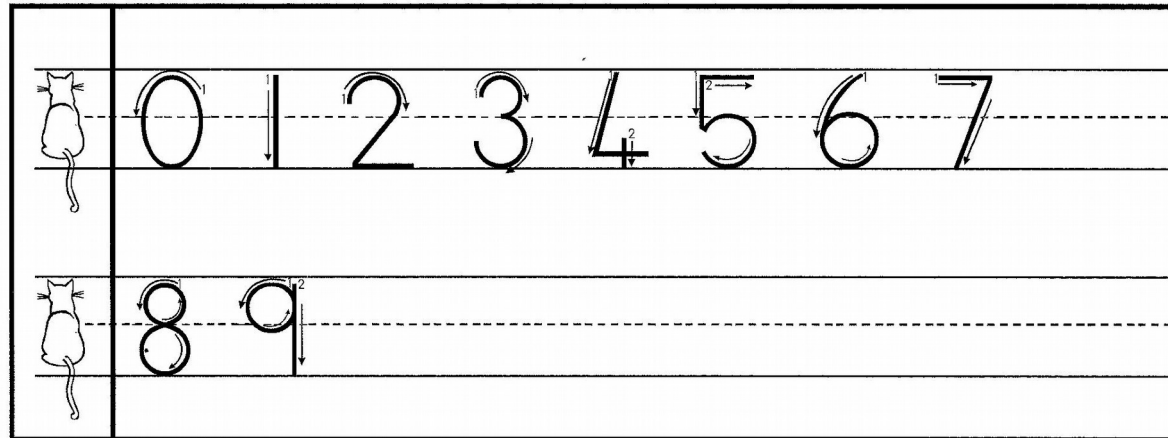
White Hat - Information

- Information that we have

- Information that we would like to have

- Information that we Need

- Information that is Missing

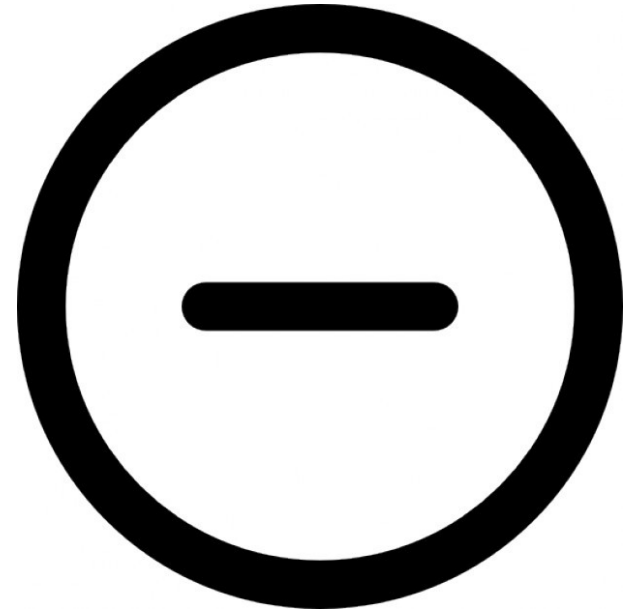- Source for Getting any Missing information

Yellow Hat - Positivity

- Values And Benefits

- Constructive thinking

- Reason for Optimism

Black Hat - Negativity

- Exploring Lack of Fit
- Looking at the Faults
- Scanning for Potential Problem
- Accessing Yellow Hat output

Green Hat - Creativity

- Expecting a Creative Effort

- Adopting a Creative Attitude

- Highly Recommended for Problem Solving

Red Hat - Emotions

- Considering Felling in decision Making
- Recognizing the Range of felling
- Gut Felling Plays a Major Role

Blue Hat - Leadership

- Defining the Focus
- Setting out the Agenda
- Maintaining the Discipline
- Noting the Conclusion

Benefits

- Provides a common language
- Saves time
- Diversity of thoughts
- Stay focused. Achieve result more quickly
- Develop a creative mindset
- Reduces "I am right ,you are wrong"
- Problem is redefined with each perspective
- Defuse Emotional and balance thinking objectively
- Encourages parallel thinking
- Increases productivity
- Separates Ego from performance

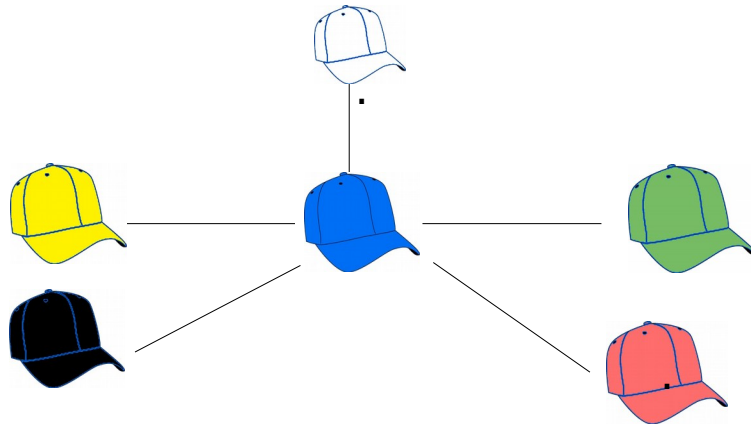# How I Can Use The Hat?

- Single Use

  Hat may be used to request a type of thinking to direct a discussion

- Sequence

  Pre-Set Sequence – Setup at the beginning of the meeting under an initial blue hat.

- Time is up!!

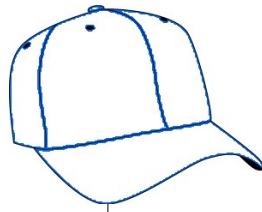 Allow one minute per person for each hat.

Thank You

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BACKUP SLIDES

Information

Positive

Creativity

Leadership

Negative

Emotion