HOW TO DEVELOP YOUR TEAM



The GROW model is a framework you can use to coach your team. Whether it's an 'in the moment' problem that someone brings to you or a poor performer that requires long term coaching, GROW will help you structure the conversation to get maximum buy in.



1) GOAL

- · Agree what success looks like
- Question them to uncover what they want to achieve
- · Ask first, then tell

"What do you want to achieve?"

"What does success look like?"

"What would be the impact on you, customer or business if you achieve this?"

(3) OPTIONS

- Brainstorm all the different ways they could reach the goal
- Encourage as many ideas as you can

"What are the different ways you could approach this issue?"

"What else?"

"What advice would ____ give you?"



2) REALITY

- Agree where they are at the moment and how they've got there
- Make sure you have agreement before moving to the next step

"So, where are you at now?"

"What is happening now?"

"What would be the impact if you keep doing what you're doing?

4) WAY FORWARD

- Ensure they make some progress towards achieving the goal
- Nail down what steps they will take, how and by when
- Let them write their action plan

"Ok, so what you are going to do is..."

"What support do you need to make this happen?"

"What's the very first step you need to take?"

Before the conversation:

- Book a time to meet, tell them what it's about and what they need to do to prepare
- Book a room or find a quiet place for the conversation
- Go through the GROW model and think about some starter questions you might use during the conversation

During the conversation:

- Actively listen and show them you're listening, give them your full attention
- Ask a mix of open and closed questions
- Allow them to come up with options
- Guide them when selecting from those ideas
- Tell them exactly what will happen next, what they need to do and what you will do
- Tell them when you will meet again and what you want to have happened by the time that meeting happens

After the conversation:

- Send out an invite to the next meeting and book a room
- Do whatever you said you would do
- Check in with the person informally to see how they are doing – prior to the next meeting
- Use your GROW structure to plan the next conversation