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Transforming working cultures to deliver results that matter

Beeline Podcast Episode 4

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Notes and Resources







"The quality of everything we do depends on the quality of the thinking we do first. The quality of our thinking depends on the way we treat each other while we are thinking" <u>Nancy Kline</u>

The ten behaviours that generate the finest thinking, and have become known as **The Ten Components of a Thinking Environment**, are:

Attention Feelings

Equality Ease

Appreciation Encouragement

Information Diversity

Incisive Questions Place

Each Component is powerful individually, but the presence of all ten working together gives this process its transformative impact.





THE 10 COMPONENTS OF A THINKING ENVIRONMENT tm

Encouragement

Giving courage to go to the unexplored edge of thinking by ceasing competition as thinkers

Feelings

Welcoming the release of emotion

Appreciation

Noticing what is good and saying it

Information

Absorbing all the relevant facts

Inspired by timetothink.com

Equality

Regarding each other as thinking peers, giving equal time to think

Attention

Listening without interruption and with interest in where the person will go next in their thinking

Incisive Questions

Freeing the human mind of untrue assumptions lived as true

Ease

Discarding internal urgency

Difference

Prioritising diversity of group identities and understanding their lived experience

Place

Producing a physical environment – the room, the listener, your body – that says, "You matter"





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- Those who are naturally quiet are invisible
- Those who take a while to process information don't get heard
- > Assumptions go unchallenged
- > Teams are nervous of speaking their mind
- Conversation is goes off on tangents
- No-one stays with the subject long enough to find a solution
- > Constant interruptions
- > Frustration and apathy preside
- > The environment doesn't feel psychologically safe
- Speed of thought is valued more than content of thought
- > Conversation goes round in circles
- Confidence wins space and time rather than careful processing
- > Ideas are repeated and reinvented
- > Silence is filled with noise
- > Bombasity reigns supreme
- > Time is used inefficiently





- > Psychological safety
- Clear boundaries and foundations are in place
- Care ad patience is part of your culture
- > Creative thinking thrives
- > Individual thinking is generated
- > Information is easily absorbed and processed
- > Reactions are proactive not reactive
- Diversity of thought is appreciated and welcomed
- > Assumptions are challenged
- > Everyone has a voice and everyone is seen
- > Collective thinking that expands impact
- > Systematic view points
- > Everyone feels respected and valued
- > Problems are solved efficiently, with shared input
- > Silence is welcomed as space to think
- > Ego's are left at the door and challenged if not
- > Boundaries allow processes to play out effectively
- > Collective intelligence is prioritised
- > Empathy is supported through knowledge and understanding of each other



So, what is the **Bee**line to nurturing a thinking environment in your organisation, where everyone feels psychologically safe, valued, heard and supported?



The Beeline to nurturing a thinking environment in your organisation, where everyone feels psychologically safe, valued, heard and supported to share their thoughts:

- Understand that having a process to enable collective thinking is making the decision to allow your teams to think well independently as themselves and for themselves
- Be mindful that everyone is wired differently, thinks differently and processes differently
- > Ask yourself 'what am I assuming?'
- Make the decision to change your thinking environment and follow that decision through
- > Find the best possible space for that process
- > Create the foundations and boundaries to maintain psychological safety
- Make sure that everyone understands the value of every individual in the room, showing that you care and respect their thinking



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