The Collaboration Game



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Winsor Jenkins,

Game of Teams:

Discover How to Become a Collaborative Leader



Training Managers to Collaborate

The Collaboration Game is a one-day, experiential training simulation that teaches managers (and people on teams) how to function *interdependently* and effectively collaborate to produce win-win outcomes.

With more and more work being done by teams, people are realizing the added value and competitive edge a collaborative mind-set offers in today's hyperconnected world. We know that innovation, for example, is a product of collaboration and key to business growth – and it represents one of the last remaining ways to achieve a competitive advantage! The ability to effectively collaborate demands the application of a *collaborative mind-set* that can harness the power of connections across the team's network to produce value adding, win-win outcomes.

A collaborative *mind-set* is made up of several, novel operating principles managers learn, along a series of competencies focused on collaboration. Combined, managers have a new *operating platform* for leading people on teams and producing win-win outcomes.

Board-Game Simulation

Using a board-game, participants work on small teams whose purpose is to function with a collaborative *mind-set* that supports the application of collaborative competencies – or *skill set*. Teams are challenged to discover solutions to a series of "business" scenarios that examine their mind-set and skill set for offering win-win solutions. The workshop includes group debriefs to discuss and solidify the learning.

The workshop is fast-paced, content rich and highly interactive. It makes a compelling case for developing teams who need to apply genuine team collaboration in the workplace.



Learning Objectives

By the end of the workshop, participants will be able to:

- Discover a practical way to produce a high level of team interdependence for effectively collaborating
- Learn a new mindset and skillset for practicing team collaboration in the workplace.
- Personalize a plan to develop competencies focused on collaboration
- Apply an operating platform to support innovation, change management and performance initiatives
- Promote a common language and approach to team collaboration that permeates organization culture

Collaborate to Innovate

Research shows that innovation is a result of large numbers of connection points in a network, that it doesn't emanate from individual people, and it lives in the social network. In other words *collaboration* is the enabler of innovation. The workshop provides an added opportunity to develop teams for leveraging efforts to innovate in organizations.

Silo Busting

Eliminating silos is key to both team and organization success. The workshop tackles silo busting leading to improved results.

Team Coaching

Applying this operating framework provides a platform for managers to use to develop and coach teams.

Audience

The Collaboration Game is designed for all managers (and people on teams) who need to improve their team effectiveness and performance.

Training Program Delivery

- Off-the-shelf delivered by a trained facilitator
- Train-the-Trainer

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"Alternative mindsets aren't simply inserted as new software – they must be learned."

Dinah Zohar,

An Alternative Sports Metaphor for Understanding Teamwork as Complex: Soccer



"Teaching people a new range of competencies that focus on collaboration is a key step to developing collaboration skills."

> Center for Creative Leadership 2014 report, Future Trends in Leadership Development