“Everyone Speaks. Not Everyone is Heard”

“The Pioneer Voice, representing only 7% of the population has almost exclusively defined the battlefield upon which the game of Free Market Capitalism is played out”
Rules of the Game

• Ruthlessly Competitive
• Adversarial
• Winner Takes All
• Profit Defines Success

Consequently …..

Teams function at less than 60% of their true potential.

82% of Team members feel misunderstood and undervalued

Team leaders rarely if ever hear the truth from their people.

Leaders undermine their influence every day without even knowing it.

What if every Voice around your table was truly heard, valued and appreciated?
Drivers that affect your behavior:

- Early life experiences
- Schooling
- Parenting
- Culture
- Authority figures
- Gender
- Faith
- Successes
- Failures
- Dreams
- Oughts & Shoulds of nurture

Leadership behaviors:

- Choice
- Nurturing
- Family

Oughts and Shoulds of Nurturing:

- Role models
- Schooling
- Gender
- Successes
- Failures
- Dreams
- Early life experiences

5 Voices

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Nurturer
Pioneer
Connector
Guardian
Creative
Choice
5 Voices | Assumptions

1. Our “Voice” is made up of all 5 Voices.
2. Some voices are more natural to us than others.
3. Maturity allows us to value the contribution each voice brings.
4. Nature / Nurture and Choice have all played a part.
5. Don’t assume you know what someone else’s foundational voice is.
6. Don’t assume you know what each word means.

Let’s Take The
5 Voices Assessment

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HOW TO RATE EACH VOICE

GREEN
- My Foundational Voice, my default pattern of communication & thinking

YELLOW
- Not my Foundational Voice but I value it and it's easily accessible

RED
- Not my Foundational Voice, I find it hard to value and hard to access

NURTURER
- They intuitively feel how an organization will react to a new idea
- They defend values, people will always come before profit
- They function as the relational oil inside the teams and organizations
- They are pragmatic realists who ask - “has this really been thought through”?
- They take genuine delight in celebrating the achievements of others and are natural team players.
- They can become overly resistant to change & demonstrate passive aggressive tendencies.
- They rarely fully value the contribution they make.
NURTURER
Champion of People, Values, and Relational Harmony.

RATE YOUR NURTURER VOICE

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They are the Conceptual Architects and love to think outside the box.

They function as an “early warning radar system” for teams, often seeing the opportunities and dangers long before everyone else.

They are never satisfied with the status quo - they inherently believe things can always be better.

If the vision is compelling the word “can’t” is not in their vocabulary.

They often struggle with the fact that, “people never seem to fully understand my ideas”

They exhibit a strong social conscience and desire for personal and organizational integrity.

Being internal perfectionists they can often fail to celebrate the 90% that has been achieved, focusing instead on the 10% that hasn’t!

CREATIVE

Champion of - Future Ideas, Organizational Integrity, and Social Conscience

RATE YOUR CREATIVE VOICE

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GUARDIAN

- They have a relentless commitment to ask the difficult questions.
- They will always seek to honor the past as teams look towards the future.
- They accept as personal the commitment to deliver projects on time and on budget.
- They have the ability to detach decision-making from personal sentiments.
- They are naturally risk averse asking, “Is it worth the risk and investment?”
- They respect and value logic, order, systems and repeatable processes.
- Their desire for truth & right decisions can sometimes override the feelings of others.

GUARDIAN

Champion of Truth, Tradition, Resources and Systems
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They are persuasive and inspirational communicators - rallying people to causes and things they believe in

They are incredibly resourceful - "Whatever we need, I can get it or I have a source"

They have the capacity to maintain a large number of relationships

They know how to connect with people & their aspirations

They need appreciation and credit for making key connections - "Are you aware of what I've done?"

Their people pleasing tendencies means they often struggle to bring effective challenge.

They often struggle to hear or engage fully with critical feedback
CONNECTOR

Champion of - Relational Networks, External messaging and Internal Collaboration.

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PIONEER
• They approach life with an “anything is possible!” attitude.
• Visioning and shaping a scaleable future is always the highest priority.
• Their strategic military thinking makes them incredibly effective at aligning people, systems and resources.
• Winning is a massive driver; they hate to give up and will drive their team long after others would have given up.
• They are powerful communicators, using logic and rationality to provide an attractive and compelling vision of the future.
• The immature Pioneer can often appear very arrogant with a “Me Focused” Agenda.
• They quickly dismiss the contributions of those they don’t believe to be competent or experienced.

PIONEER
Champion of - Strategic Vision, Making Tough Decisions, and Problem solving

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WHAT IS YOUR VOICE ORDER?

1) is the Voice that you find most natural.
5) is the Voice you find the hardest to access and value.

1. __________________
2. __________________
3. __________________
4. __________________
5. __________________
THE 5 VOICES SYSTEM ALLOWS ......

- Teams to function closer to their true potential.
- Team leaders to hear all perspectives before making a final decision.
- 100% of Team members to feel valued and appreciated
- Leaders to create a culture of empowerment and opportunity

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You have a Leadership Voice
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Nature · Foundational Voices

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