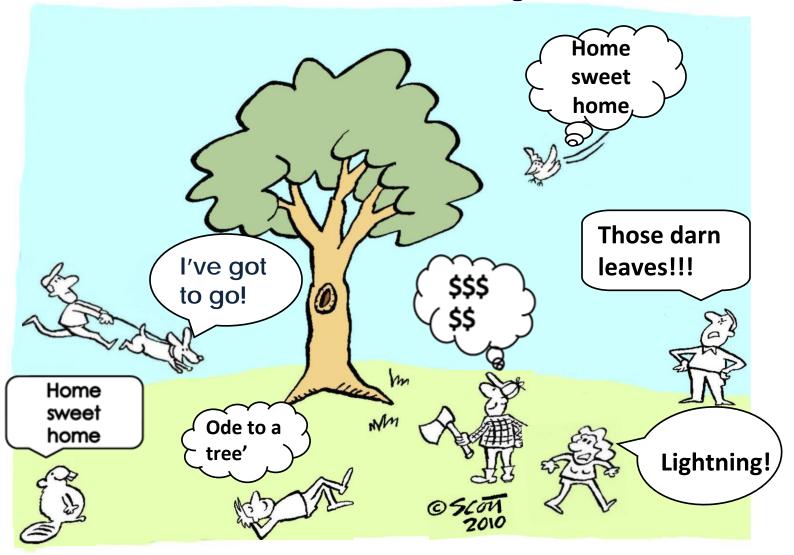


ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES:



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The Art of Perspective

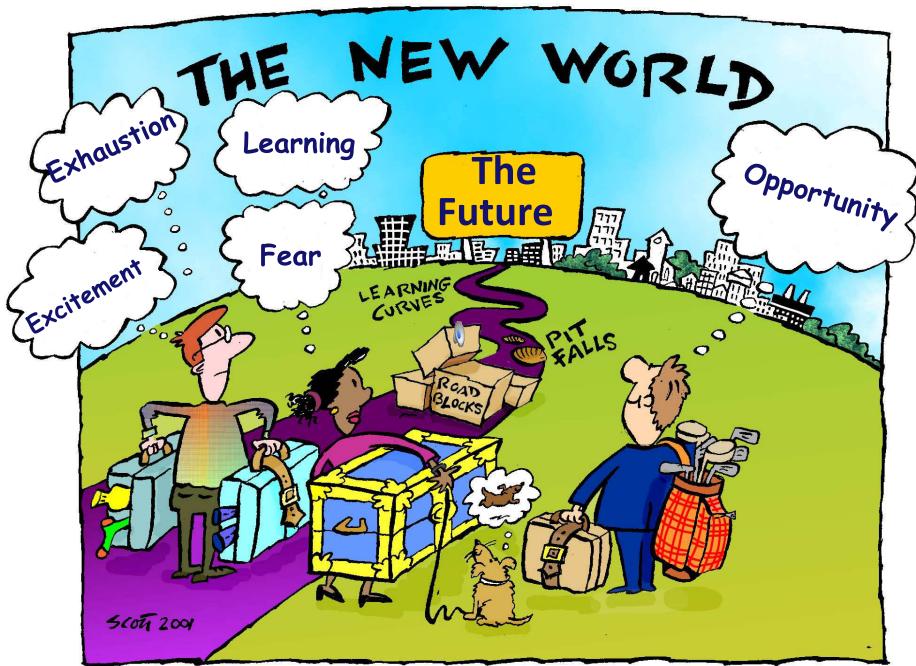




It's hard to plot a rational course in an irrational environment. So don't be blinded by reason or logic. Be ever vigilant. Take a nap and you could wake up like Rip Van Winkle!

> Watts Wacker, The 500 Year Delta







P²E²

- > Preparation
- > Planning
- Execution
- **Evolution**









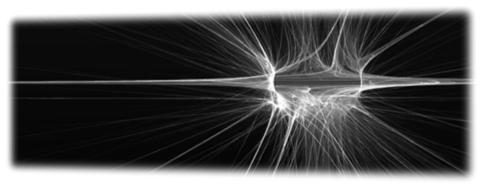
All my life I wanted to be somebody.

Now I see I should have been more specific.

Lily Tomlin
In Search of Intelligent Life in the Universe

Global Leader Study

"...events, opportunities and threats aren't just coming at us faster or with less predictability; they are converging and influencing each other to create entirely unique situations."



Sam Palmisano, Chairman of IBM

IBM Global Leader Study

- 79% anticipate more complexity ahead
- Creativity is the most important leadership quality for the future
- We must take more calculated risks, find new ideas and keep innovating
- We must create solutions with our customers (internal and external) and integrate them into our core processes

"An organization is a system, with a logic of it's own, and all the weight of tradition and inertia. The deck is stacked in favor of the tried and proven way of doing things and against the taking of risks and striking out in a new direction."

Innovation and change are about visualizing a desired state and focusing your energies to make that a reality. Inventors, explorers, nation builders and leaders focus on what can be and engage others in the pursuit of that dream.

The Neuroscience of Change

- * Focus is power: the act of paying attention creates chemical and physical changes
- * Expectations shape reality: preconceptions impact perception
- * Repeated, purposeful and focused attention leads to long-lasting change

David Rock & Jeffrey Schwartz,
The Neuroscience of Leadership

The Ceiling of Complexity

- Growth occurs in stages
- Within each stage there comes to a point where it's not possible to base further growth upon existing knowledge, skills, attitudes, structures, staffing, money, procedures, technology...

Complexity Is Messy

- Competence: What you know or are able to do
- Capability: the ability to adapt existing competencies & apply them in unfamiliar situations
- Complexity is messy, fuzzy, unique, unpredictable and interconnected

Coping With Complexity: Educating for Capability; BMJ.com
Sarah Fraser, Trisha Greenhalgh



Diversity = innovation + long-term adaptability

Heterogeneous = more adaptive

Homogeneous groups often reject leaders who attempt to create change

"The ability to constructively face the tensions of opposing ideas, and, instead of choosing one at the expense of the other, generate creative resolution in the form of a new idea that contains elements of the opposing ideas, but is superior to each."

Roger Martin,
The Opposable Mind
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Integrative Thinking

- Take a broad view of what might be important - scan
- Search for creative resolution of tension rather than accept unpleasant trade offs; The 3rd Alternative (Stephen Covey)
- Complexity is messy and it can lead to better decisions

Roger Martin
The Opposable Mind

Courage: The strength to venture

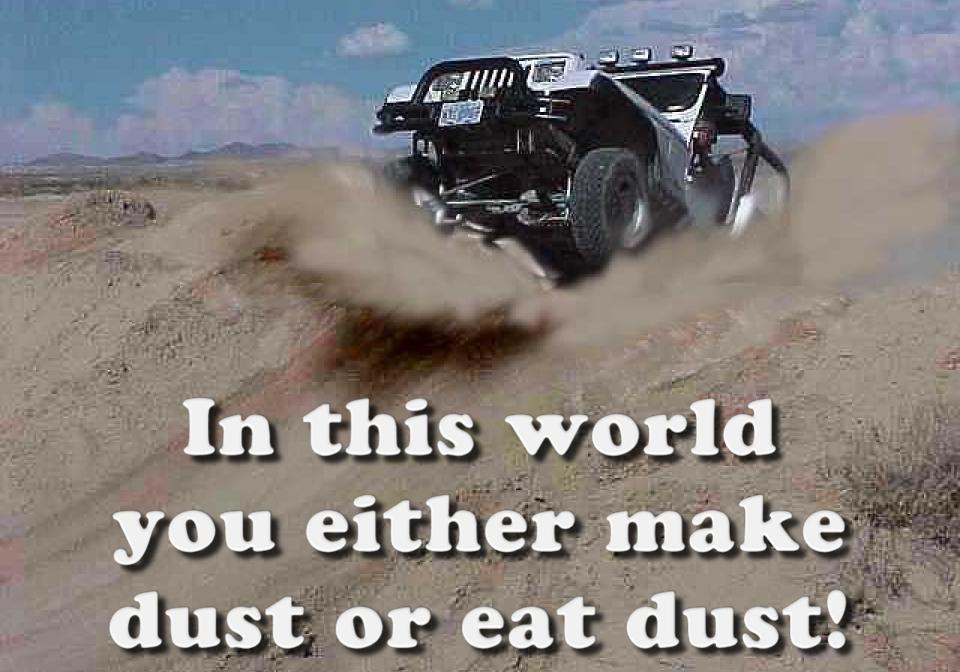
To face danger, pain, difficulty or uncertainty without being deflected from your chosen course of action.







Life's too long to be miserable!



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