WORKSHEET #1

TURNING FEAR INTO PRODUCTIVE ACTION







In the middle of the crisis, it's tempting for leaders to jump to rational solutions – but our brain cannot function rationally before we solve one emotional problem: FEAR

To solve this challenge, we've put together an exercise that allows you, your team, your clients or your family to:

- 1. Become aware of the emotions that might still be tacit and honor them
- 2. Work with those emotions to focus and prioritize possible responses
- 3. Organize meaningful action





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Step one is to list all fears in one big list - which allows us to become aware of what we are feeling and why. Often, people are not able to fully vocalize the nature of their fear, so you'd have to prompt them to expand on the potential impact of realization of the risks we are afraid of.

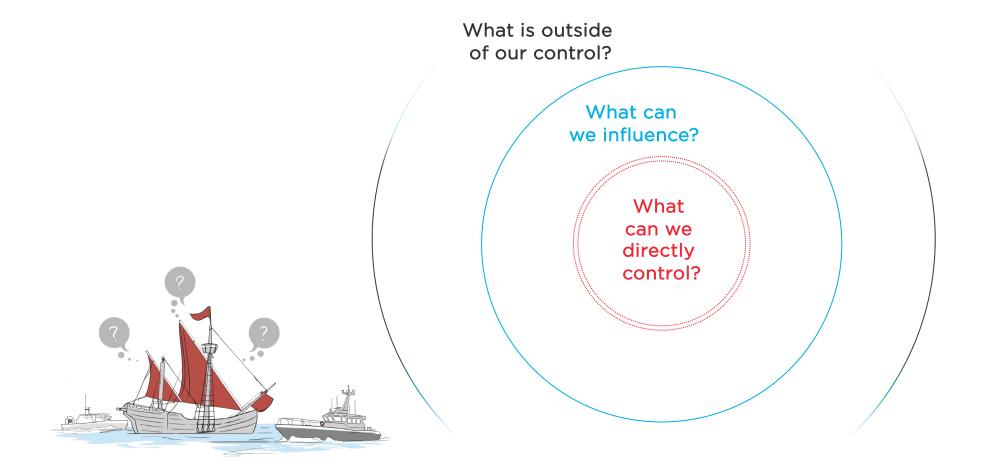
Our job is not to judge the fears - but simply record them. We might notice that we are afraid of only a few things, but keep giving our fears different names, which creates an illusion that there are more things to be afraid of.

FEARS: "I am afraid of"	IMPACT: "If my fear materializes, it will lead to"

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Step two is to sort out all the fears we identified into 3 buckets: things we can directly control, things we can influence at least partially, and things that completely outside of our control. For example, we might be able to impact the mood of the crew or fix the sails – but cannot impact the wind.

This might entice some honest conversations of what we can and cannot control - so go with it. At the end of the sorting, everyone who is participating needs to commit to 80-20 rule - spending 80% of energy on things inside the blue and red circles.





Step three is to agree on concrete actions to be taken that are within our control or influence. What should be done? Who is leading, who is participating? By when should it be done?

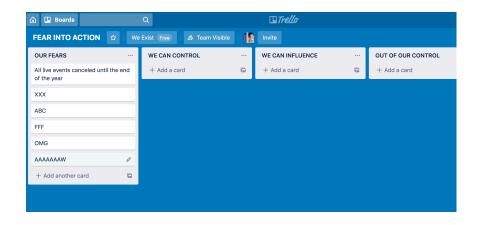
This is the time to focus the energy on something concrete and help everyone to use fear productively.

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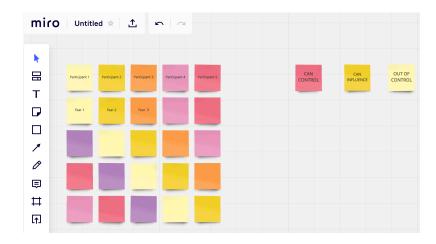


Since many of us are working virtually now, here are two different options for how to organize this exercise (both are free)

TRELLO www.trello.com



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In the middle of the global COVID-19 crisis, it's our goal at Reinvention Academy to give you as much support and proven tools as we can – and we hope you can help us get those tools in the hands of others who need them.

Here is how to do that:

- Use this exercise and share your #WIN or #AHA inside our private Facebook Group - <u>Reinvention Society</u> - or tag Dr. Nadya Zhexembayeva along with your post your reflections on <u>LinkedIN</u> or <u>Twitter</u>. The power if this tool is in using it and you will serve as an amazing role model for others!
- If you have not yet registered for our global free live REINVENTION SUMMIT, do it now - even if it already passed to get more tools and videos on what to do amid crisis: https://www.learn2reinvent.com/summit
- 3. Share the SUMMIT link with your friends and colleagues by email or on social media and share what you got from the SUMMIT

In the meantime, we'll keep working on more tools and support we all need at this unique time of our history.

