

Interview LOGIC ADVANCED







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## LOGIC Training

**INTERVIEW** 

## **World-Class Case Interview Training**



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## **Advanced Agenda**

- Be Answer First with your IMPACT stories
- Use Stepping Stones diagrams to finish your draft stories
- Apply the Decision Arc threads to deepen your stories
- Prepare a one minute, "Tell me about yourself."
- Anticipate industry common questions and prepare to pivot
- Access Interview LOGIC Online for free!





## We Start with 3 Principles

To ensure you succeed in any interview



Communicate with confidence, clarity and precision to connect with any interviewer.

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## Know Your Value

Review critical decisions, areas of impact and accomplished goals to know the value you'll bring to any company. 3

# Connect Your Experience

Role play your experience with tough questions, and learn to connect your unique value to the needs of your target company.



## **Explain the YOU Machine**



What did I HEAR?

What did I SEE?

What did I THINK?

What did I SAY?

What did I DO?



## **Create an IMPACT**

Develop 2 stories for each letter.		etter. Be Answer First!	Limit each one to 90 seconds.
1	Individual Contribution	2	
M	Manage or Lead	2	
Р	Persuasion	2	
A	Analytics	2	
C	Challenge or Failure	2	
Т	Teamwork	2	





- I ndividual Contribution
- M anage or Lead
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- C hallenge or Failure
- **T** eamwork



#### **Exercise**

## **Present an IMPACT Story**

### Prep your story now. Choose a letter. 3 mins.

- ☐ Find a partner
  - Give the setup.
  - Present one at a time, 3 mins max.
  - Receive quick feedback and switch roles.
- What was clear? What was not?
- ☐ Did you use specific actions and data.

**Total time: 10 minutes** 



## **Be Answer First**

to engage quickly



- Bring the main point to the front.
- Use data to engage your interviewer. Add in dollars, numbers and percentages (\$#%).
- Apply Answer First to speed up the conversation.

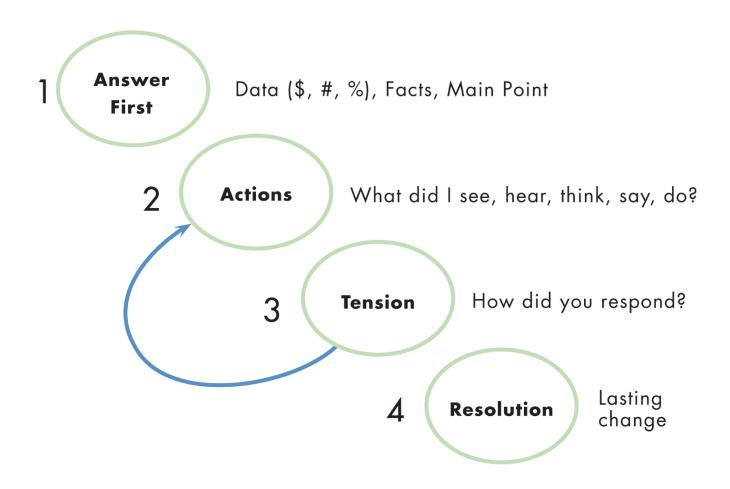
# Stepping Stones make telling stories easy and compelling







## **Stepping Stones make it easy**



# Real life has color, twists & turns



#### Persuasion

I persuaded mgmt. to invest

- for bad things
- didn't go deep enough
  - concerns I didn't consider

+ for good things

- + built comparison model
  - + qual and quant analysis

Option A was better for employees

Management not convinced about

Developed user experience strategy

Execs chose A / EU Roll-out "Emily, are you a team player?"



WB 14

## **Emily's Stepping Stones**

Answer First

- "Yes, I am a good team player. I recently helped a team of 12 women prepare for a mini triathlon over three months, ultimately getting 11 of them to compete and finish the triathlon."
- "I felt like I was a good team player and leader in a couple of ways..."

2 Actions

- 1. Assessed each woman's fitness
  - Encouraged each person
  - Highlighted improvement areas
- 2. Motivated the team using data -- specific goals

3 Tension

- One woman wanted to quit.
- Two more considered dropping out.
- New action: Celebrate progress with small awards!



- 11 of 12 women completed the race.
- Data method is now a selling point for all of my classes.



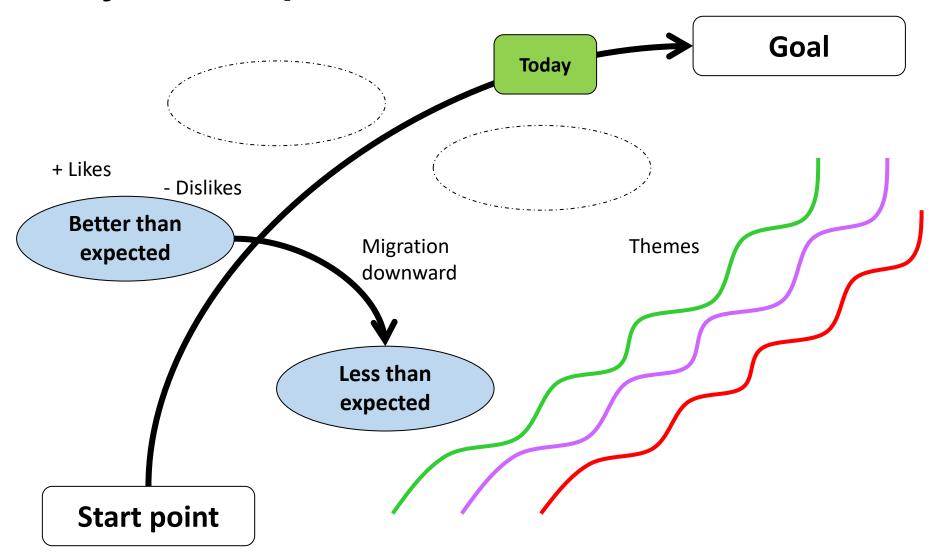
## Exercise

## **Stepping Stone Story**

Prep your Stepping Stone diagram. 3 mins.			
Focus on a story that is not as strong.			
☐ Find a partner			
<ul><li>Give the setup.</li></ul>			
Present one at a time, 3 mins max.			
Receive quick feedback and switch roles.			
☐ What was clear? What was not?			
Did you use specific actions and data.			
Total time: 10 minutes			



# Use a Decision Arc to show off your unique value





## **Create Your Decision Arc**



#### Build Your Arc (5 mins alone & 5 mins w/partner)

- > Draw the curve and add the bubbles
  - Think of distinct work experiences
  - What did you like and not like?
  - Review major transitions
- ➤ Now look for themes / threads
  - What are positive threads? (you like it)
  - What are negative? (you don't like it)
- Answer the question, "Tell me about yourself?"



## **Tough Consulting Questions**



- Why consulting?
- What experience do you have that is relevant?
- Why our firm in particular?
- Walk me through a challenging problem you solved.
- What do you like about working in teams?
- Name a company. What project would you run to improve them?
- How do you handle working in high-pressure environments with tight deadlines?
- How have you adapted to working with different clients and industries?
- What analytical and problem-solving skills do you possess?
- Explain when you convinced a group or individual to adopt your proposed solution or idea?
- Can you provide an example of a time when you successfully communicated technical information to a non-technical audience?
- How do you stay up-to-date with industry trends and developments?



#### **Exercise**

### **Answer and Pivot**

## Be ready to answer a tough question and pivot to a strong IMPACT example

- ☐ Interviewer
  - Plan to challenge your candidate
  - Prepare with 2-3 tough questions
  - Ask them in succession
  - Receive quick feedback and switch roles
- ☐ Candidate
  - Be Answer First
  - Pivot to an IMPACT example

**Total time: 10 minutes** 

## **Next Steps**



#### Get the slides

- use the QR code

#### Finish your IMPACT stories!

- One for each letter, Be Answer First
- Practice them with partners
- Build a team and practice with a range of people

#### Learn to pivot

- Practice answering tough questions directly
- Pivot to related IMPACT stories to show strengths

#### Get your free pass to Interview LOGIC Online

- Celebrate the re-launch
- Accelerate your progress





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