

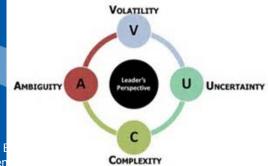
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# Leadership in a VUCA World





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## Leadership in a VUCA World...



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## What is Lean Thinking & Practice?

Lean Thinking & Practice is about transforming.

First, lean is about transforming material or motion into value.

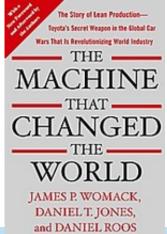
Creating ever more pure value with ever declining amounts of resources through developing the capability of everyone to improve flow and eliminate waste as they apply science to their work.

Then, lean thinking is about transforming our organizations and ourselves.



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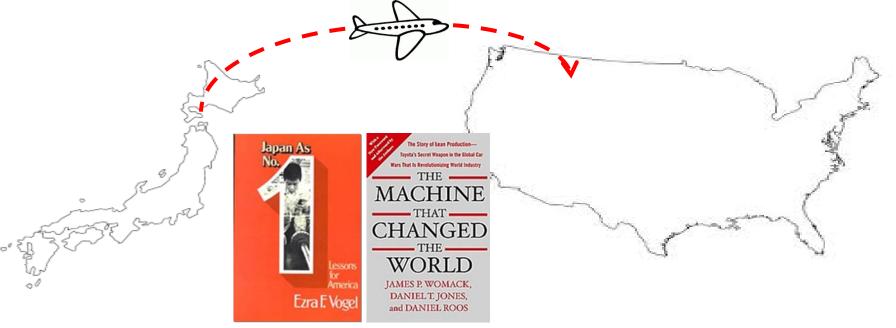
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## The Quality Movement – 1980s



Lean Production as Technology Transfer

- from Japan to the USA.

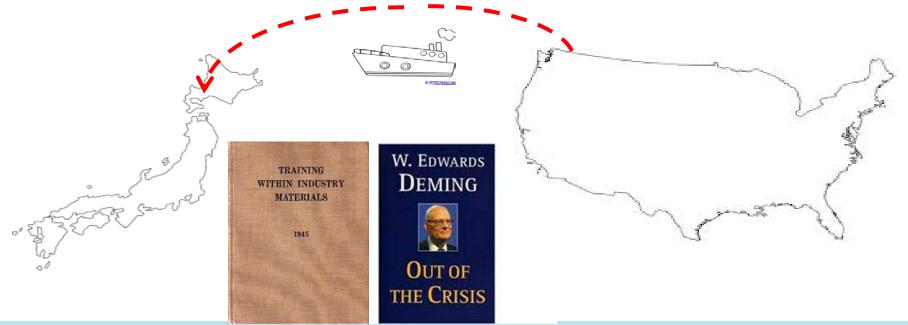


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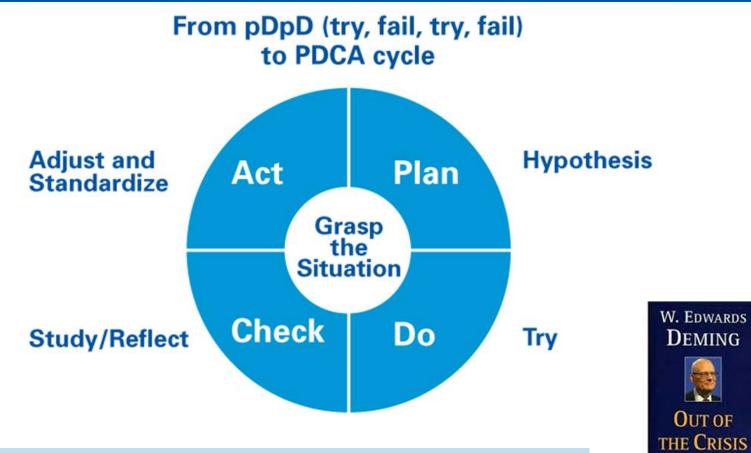
## 1910s and again 1950



 The less well-known American roots of the Japanese quality movement and Lean Production.

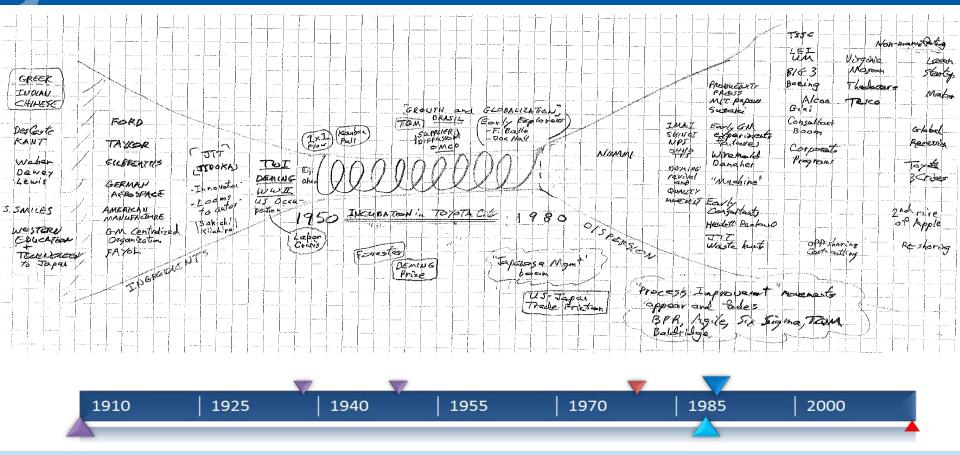


## Plan-Do-Check-Act Cycle



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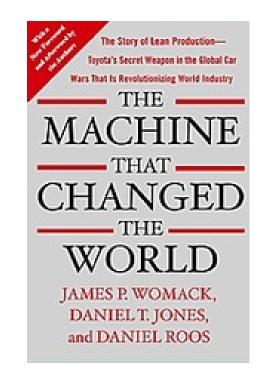
#### Many Influences on the Toyota Production System



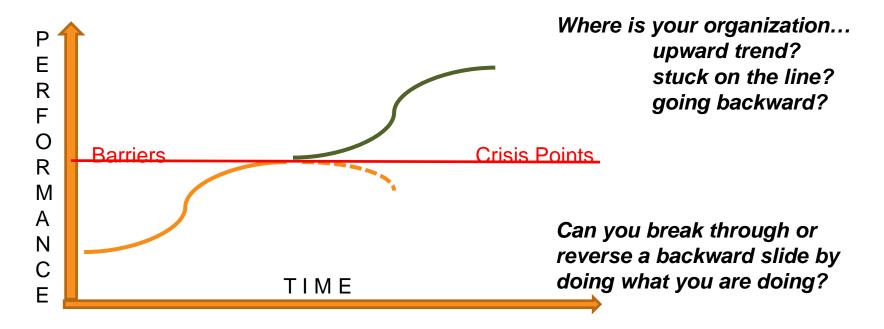
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## Since "Machine"...

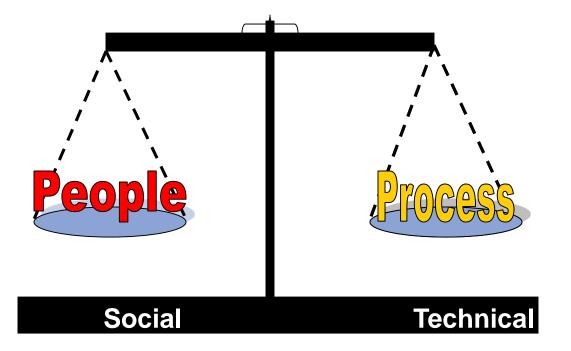
- Global Auto Industry
- Discrete Manufacturing
- Construction
- Process Industries
- Healthcare
- Service Sectors
- Knowledge Work



# But, as simple as it sounds, it's not easy to transform

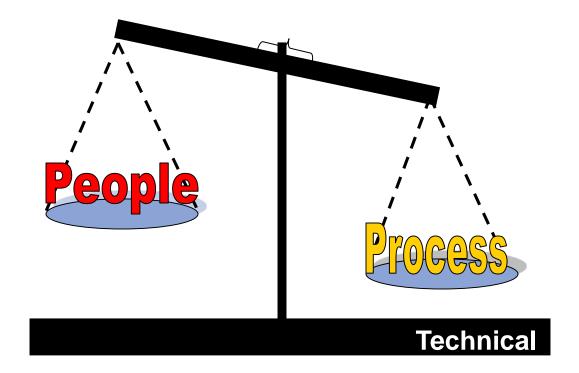


### What have we learned about organizations? Lean as a Social and Technical System



## Lean as a Technical System

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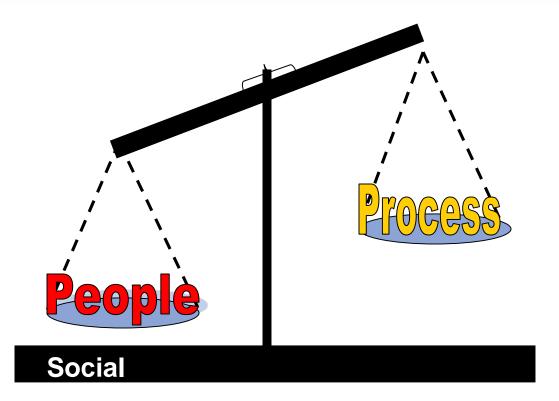
- We teach the art & craft of science.
- Science will give us good technical answers...

- We should teach the art & craft of science.
- Science will give us good technical answers.
- But...

being technically "right" is only half the "battle".

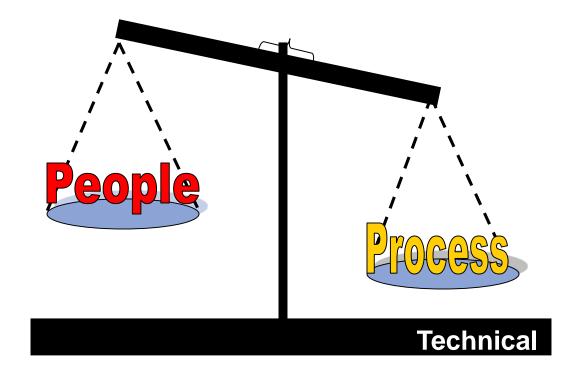
### Lean as a Social System

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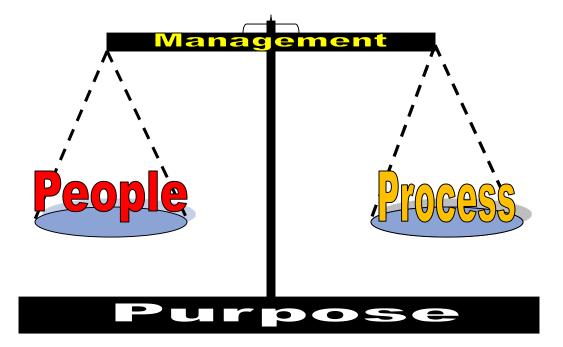
## Lean as a Technical System

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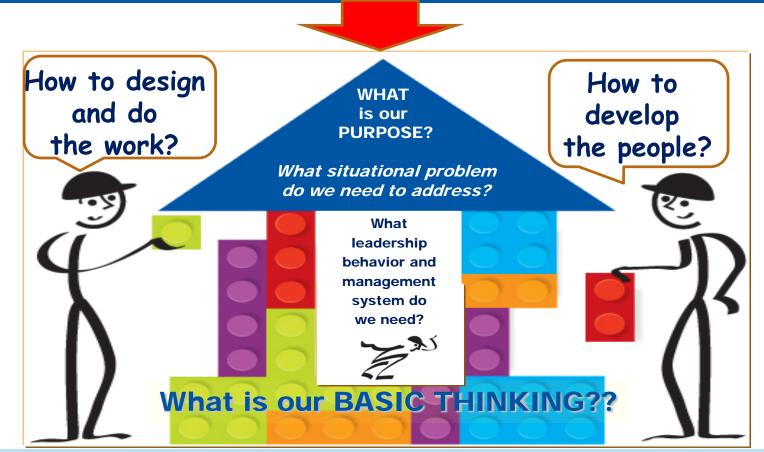


#### Lean Transformation

#### **Aligning Purpose – Process - People**



#### Your Failure Mode is Somewhere in Here





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- Lean is an approach to achieving purpose and solving problems, at every level
- Does not mean downsizing
  or simple cost-cutting
  - $\succ$  LEAN  $\rightarrow$  LEARN
  - ➤ Improve → Adapt and Sustain

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## Lean Leadership for a VUCA World...



UNCERTAINTY

COMPLEXITY

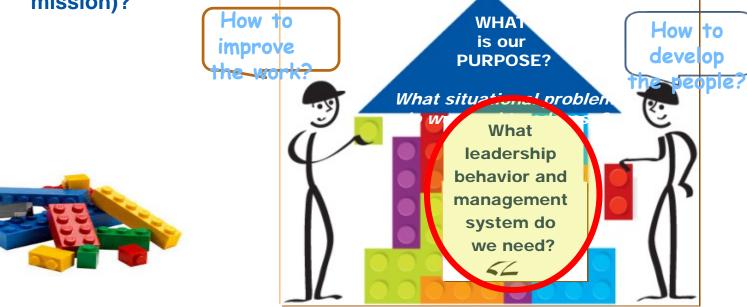
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## **Transformation Question #4**



- 4. What management system and leadership behaviors are required to support the new way of working?
  - Have you designed the management system and do your leaders exhibit the needed behaviors (to develop capability to do the work to accomplish the mission)?

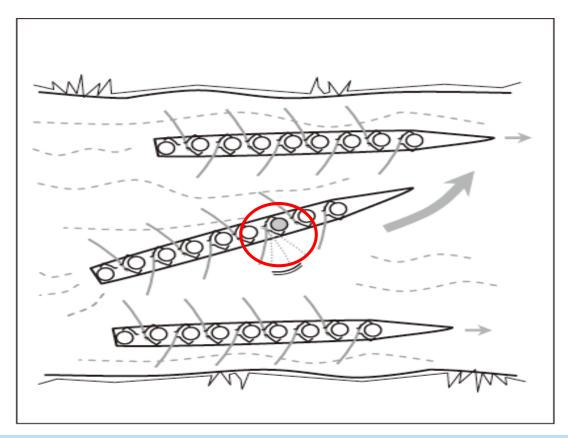


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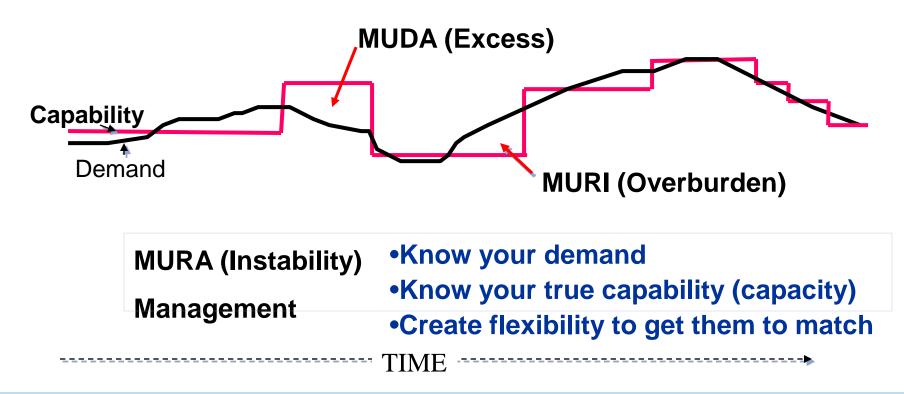
#### Leadership in a VUCA World

- It is <u>not</u> just a matter of turning people loose.
  - And expecting or hoping that their natural goodness or creativity will emerge to carry forward your dreams.
- Nor is it a matter of ordering people to do your bidding.

#### **Total System Efficiency and Effectiveness**



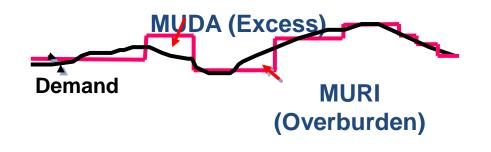
#### The Sustainability Challenge of Any Business



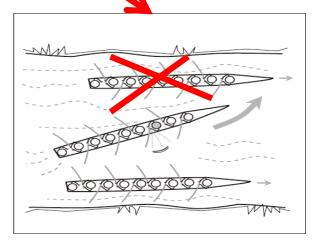


**Directionally...** 

## In the face of a reality that's like this (VUCA):

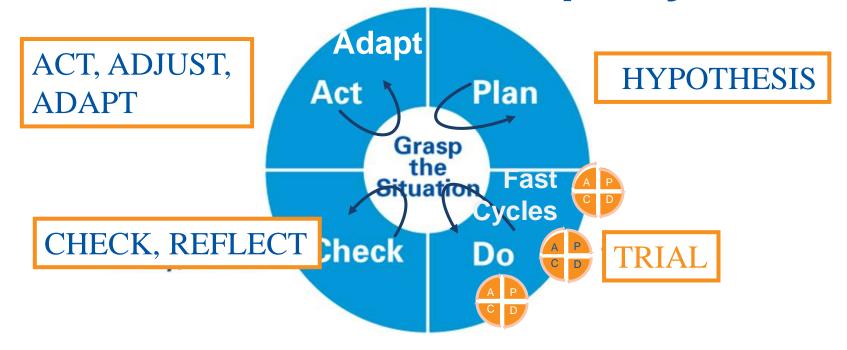


## How can we be more like this:



#### A PROCESS for Leadership in a VUCA World

## **Plan-Do-Check-Adapt Cycle**

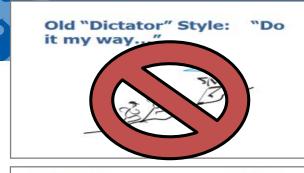


#### Innovation and Ownership, Responsibility and Authority

- In my five years in Toyota City, almost never was I given solutions.
- Yet, I was not free to just do what I wanted.
- I was given clear responsibility propose solutions to problems I owned.



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1970s "Empowerment" Style: "Do it your way... "



Lean Style: "Follow Me, and we'll figure this out together ".

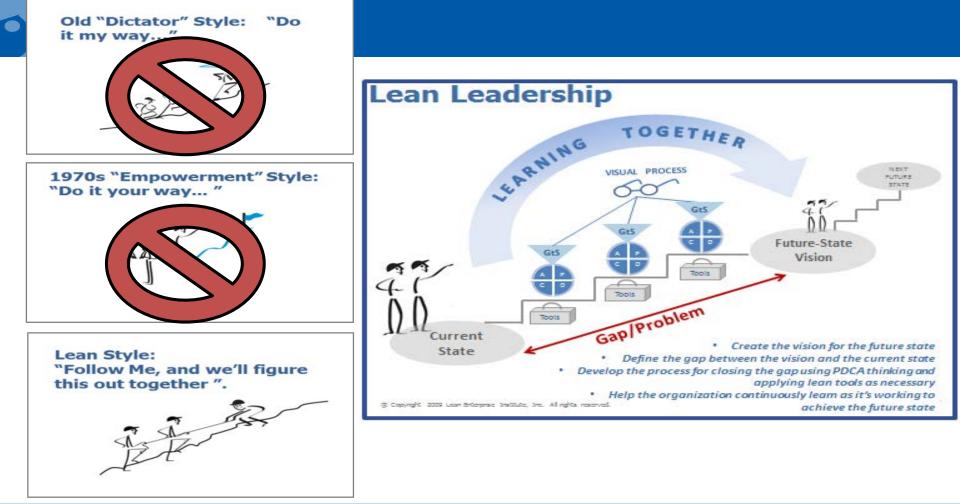
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#### Leadership for a VUCA World? →Adaptive Leadership

## Adaptive Leadership Process? $\rightarrow$ PDCA





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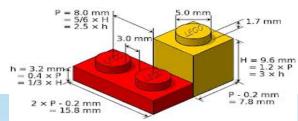
## **Leadership Questions**



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"We started with that fundamental question: <u>'Why does Lego</u> exist?"

> CEO Jorgen Vig Knudstorp



## So, Lean Leader as Coach

"Developing capability through purposeful instruction, targeted questioning, and challenging counsel to solve problems and continuously improve performance in achieving objectives."

### **People Development – Manager as Coach**

#### **Develop Capability in**

- doing the work
- solving problems
- improving performance

Problem-solving

Improvement

Improvement Problem-solving

Problem-solving Improvement

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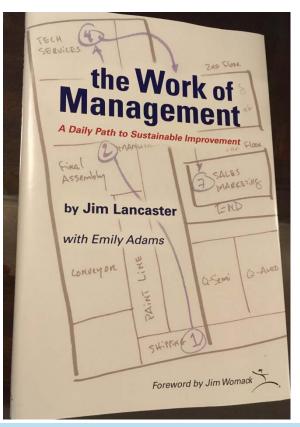
Problem-solving

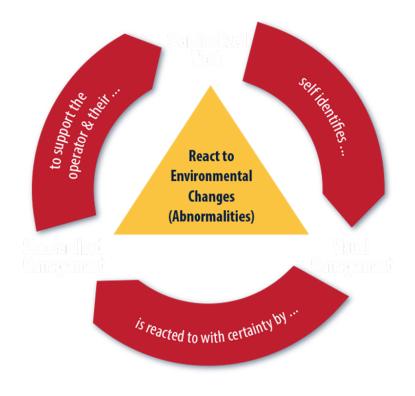
Improvement

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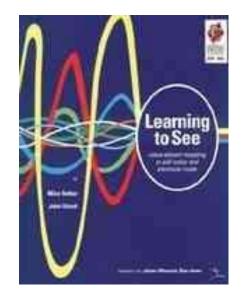
## **Management for a VUCA World**





## Learning To See

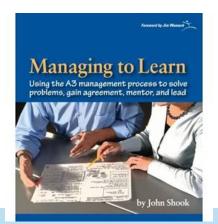
### "Every product (or service) has a value stream. The challenge lies in seeing it."



### Learning to Adapt

"Every product has a value stream. The challenge lies in seeing it."

### "Every situation has a "problem". The challenge lies in finding it."



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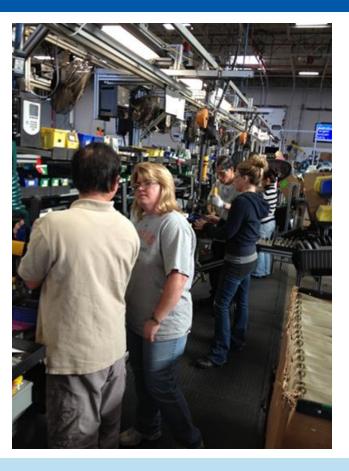
Solving Problems or Developing Problem Solvers...

# Matt Long of Herman Miller:

# "We aren't just solving problems...

# We are developing problem solvers."





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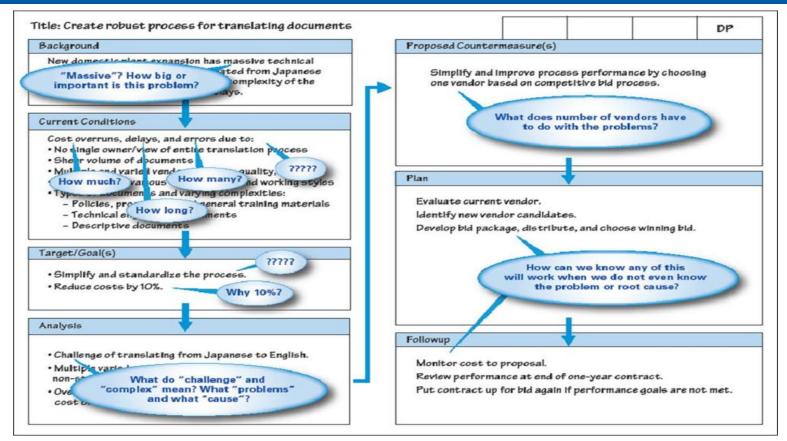
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### Lean Thinking as Question Thinking

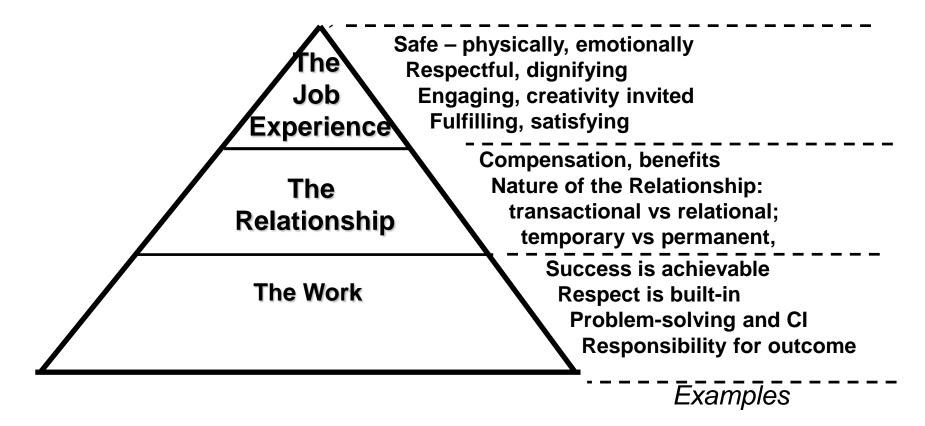
Types of questions, to be used in sequence:

- 🛯 What
  - Grasp the Situation What is happening?
- 🗋 Why
  - Diagnostic Why is it happening?
- What if...?
  - Prompting What would happen if we tried...?
- Why not...?
  - Advocacy Why not be bold?!

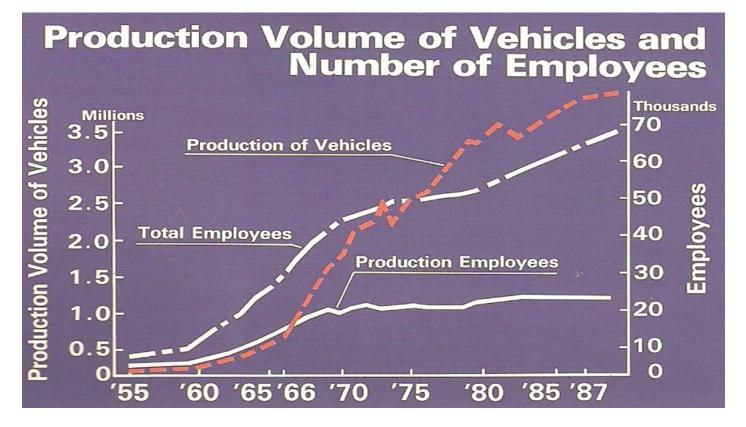
### The A3 as a Job Aid to Ask Good Questions



#### The Three Parts of a Job



## "Shook-san, if you don't understand this slide, you don't understand TPS..."



### Lean Summit 2018 Theme

### "If you want better employees... be a better employer" -- LEI Lean Summit Theme Nashville Tennessee March 2018

#### Lean Global Network



#### Website: <u>www.lean.org</u>

#### Online Publication: www.planet-lean.com



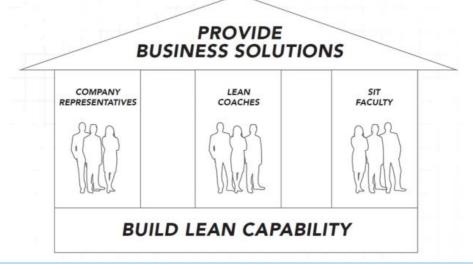
Making things better by advancing lean thinking and practice throughout the world.



#### LGN, SIT and the community learning together: Lean Skills Development Program

#### **Purpose of the Program:**

- 1) Create sustainable business results for companies
- 2) Develop capability of employees at companies to enable continuous improvement
- 3) Develop capability of SIT faculty to develop a workforce to ensure future success



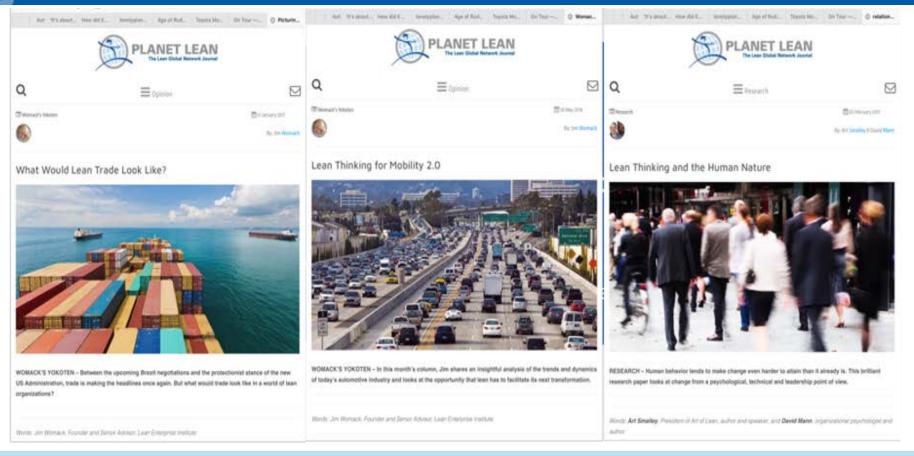
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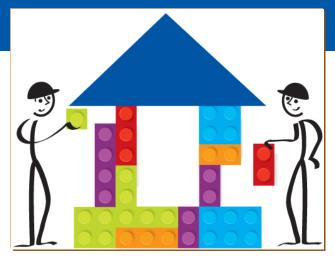


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### Lean – The Work



- Give Everyone Permission to Fail and Ability to Succeed
- Engage Everyone in Problem Finding and Continuous Experimentation