Introduction to Organisational Change and Development

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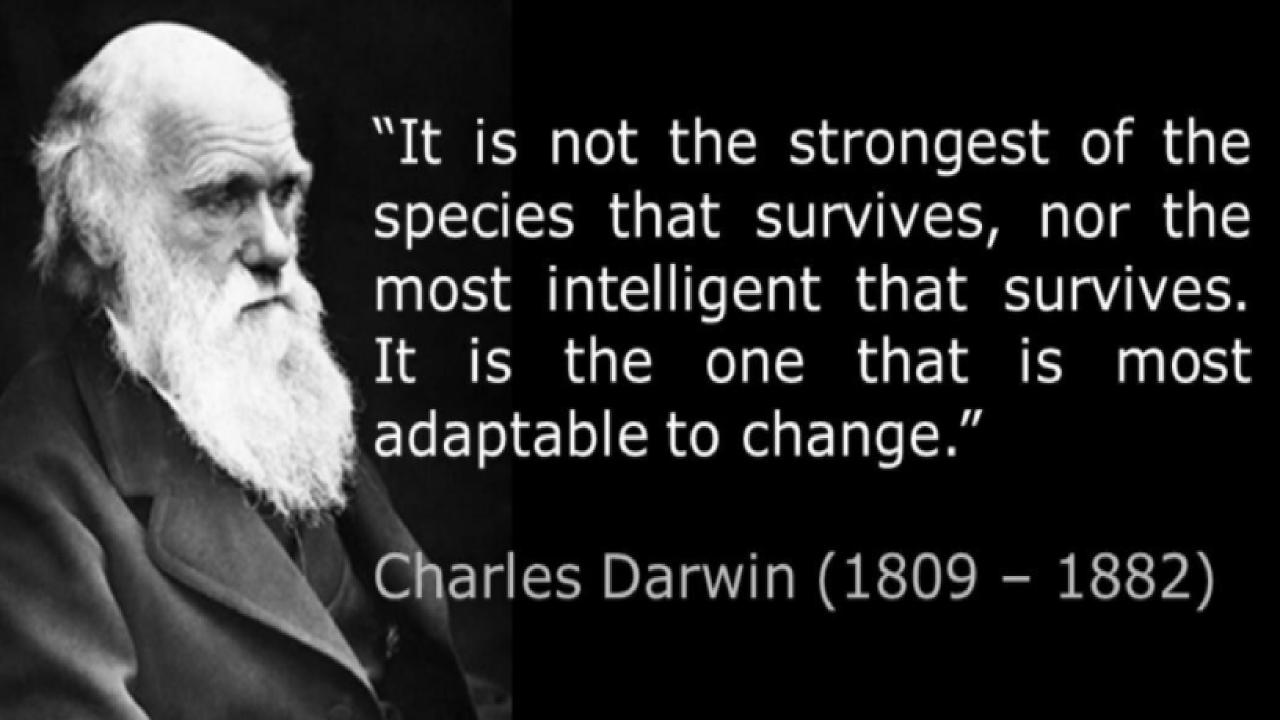
Session Outline

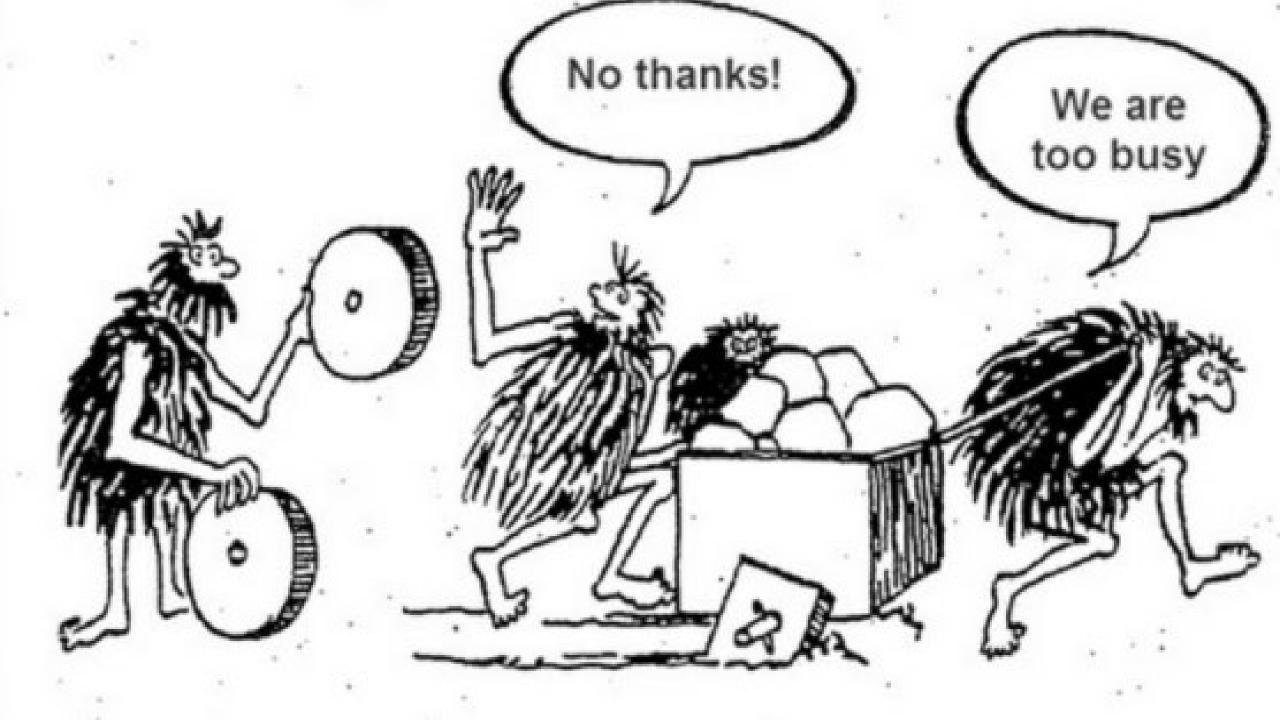
- Ice Breaker
- Understanding Change
- Models of Change
 - Lewin
 - Kotter
 - Kubler-Ross
- The Role of Leadership in Change





No man ever steps in the same river twice, for it's not the same + river and he's not the same man. Heraclitus







Nokia CEO Cries During his last Speech

Nokia CEO Ended His Speech Saying This 'We Didn't Do Anything Wrong But Somehow, We Lost'







Understanding Change

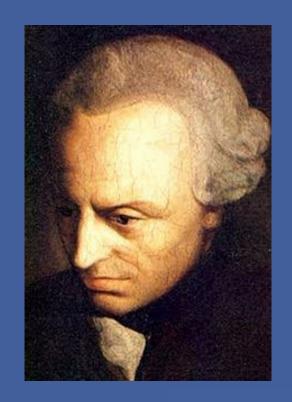
- The Merriam- Webster Online Dictionary defines 'Change' as:
- a: to make different in some particular
- b : to make radically different
- c : to replace with another



Understanding Change

- Within Organisations there is recognition that change is important for allowing retention of a competitive edge.
- "Business as usual" is change.

 We all see the value of change, but in turn we all tend to resist change.





Understanding Change

- Organisations are involved in the management of different types of change. These include:
 - Structural Change
 - Strategic Change
 - People Change
 - Change in Processes



- Theories have tried to describe the process of change through the development of models.
- A model is a representation of an idea, object, process or system that is used when variables cannot be fully controlled or isolated.
- Models allow the generation of hypotheses.
- Models can eventually be developed into a theory which can be used to predict phenomena given a specific set of variable.



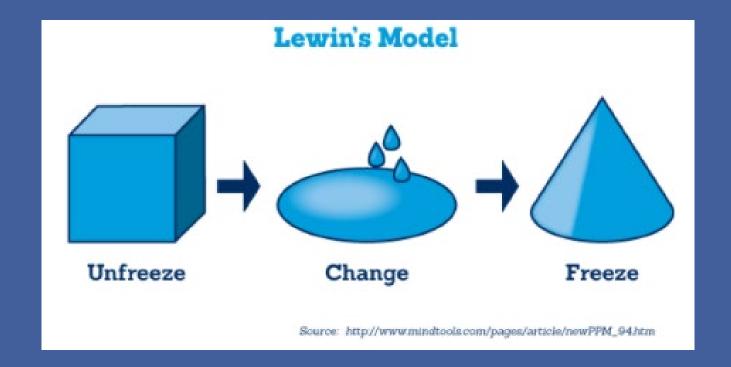
- A theory tends to be parsimonious (Occam's Razor).
- A theory can be tested.
- A theory is supported by independent strands of evidence.
- A theory can be refuted (falsiable), given specific observations.
- A theory can be used to make predictions.



- Lewin's 3-Stage Model of Change
- Lewin was a German-American social psychologist. He fled and was exiled from his home country.
- He is widely considered to be the father of social psychology as he studied key aspects such as teams, group dynamics and organisational development.



• Lewin's 3- Stage Model of Change





- Kotter's 8-Stage Model of Change
- Kotter is an American researcher who in the mid-90s proposed an influential model for describing organisational change.
- The model was described in Leading Change which Times Magazine listed as one of the top 25 business publications of all time.





- Step 1 Create Urgency
- Employees need to see the value of the change initiatives and this can be obtained through data and persuasion.
- Look for persons who can support change.
- Identify threats and opportunities.





- Step 2 Form a Powerful Coalition
- Identify key stakeholders and influencers.
- Work on team building within the Coalition.
- Have a good mix in the team and not simply a repeat of the leader.



- Step 3 Create a Vision for Change
- Determine the values that are central for the team.
- Create a strategy.
- Make sure that the strategy is instilled within the change coalition.





- Step 4 Communicate the Vision
- Vision should not be just communicated in meetings but should be part of ongoing discourse.
- Address people's concerns and anxiety openly.
- Apply the vision in all aspects of organisational culture





- Step 5 Remove Obstacles
- Remove any barriers that may inhibit change.
- Identify, hire or train employees who share the vision.
- Recognise and rewards change agents.



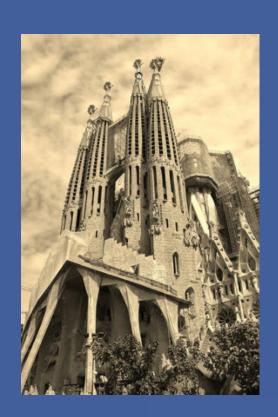


- Step 6 Create Short Term Wins
- Success is motivating.
- Through quick wins one can give a taste of the benefits through change.
- Make sure that an early goal can be achieved, despite the input from critics.



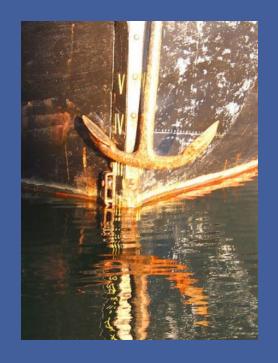


- Step 7 Build on the Change
- After every change or success, analyse what went well and what did not.
- Set goals to continue building on the momentum.
- Keep ideas fresh

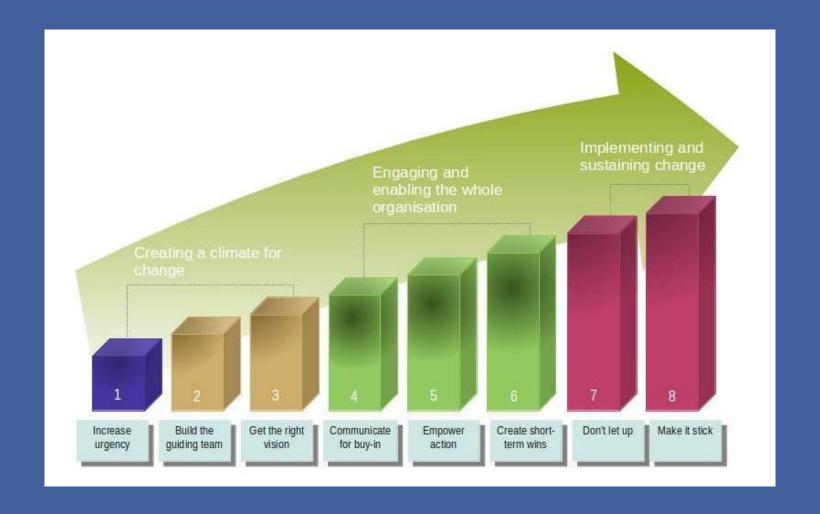




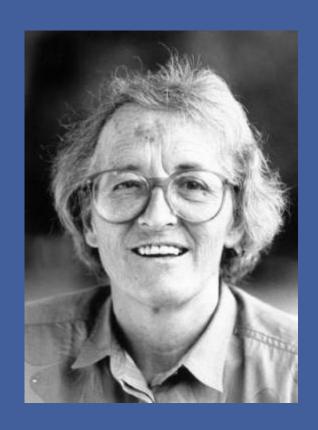
- Step 8 Anchor the Changes in the Corporate Culture
- For change to stick it should become part of the culture.
- Leaders should continue to be open and supportive of change.







- Elisabeth Kubler-Ross' Model of Change
- Was a Swiss-American psychiatrist.
- Was originally interested in studying the terminally ill.
- Her most notable publication in *On Death* and *Dying* which was published in 1969.





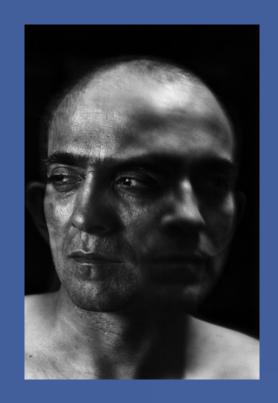
Elisabeth Kubler-Ross' Model of Change

 She proposed a model featuring the five-stages of grief, which she observed to be generally universal when persons are experiencing near death situations.

 Her model is generally referenced through the acronym DABDA which stands for the initial of each stage.



- Stage 1: Denial
- The diagnosis is seen as mistaken this is not happening to me.
- Ex. Steve Jobs when diagnosed with pancreatic cancer





- Stage 2: Anger
- Frustration then ensues why me?
 Why would this happen?





- Stage 3: Bargaining
- Persons then tend to switch to bargaining or negotiation to avoid the unwanted consequence.
- I can be a better person if I get better...





- Stage 4: Depression
- The reality sinks in and persons may start avoiding social interactions and seek isolation.
- "Nothing matters as I am going to die"



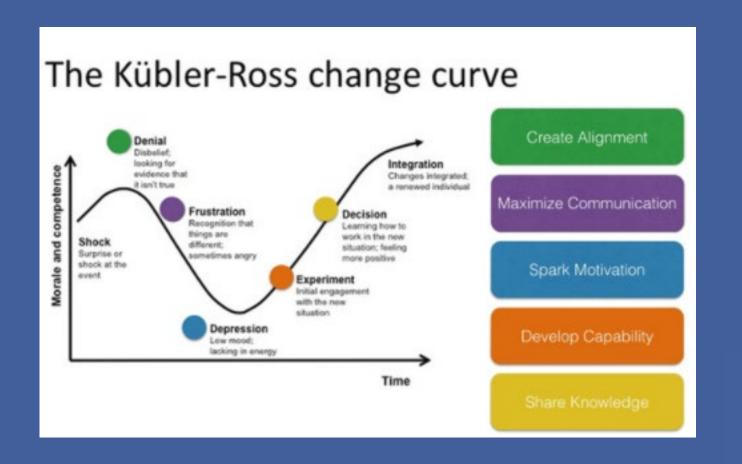


- Elisabeth Kubler-Ross' Model of Change
- Stage 5: Acceptance
- Calm sets in, and individuals may look retrospectively at their lives in an emotionally controller manner.
- "It's going to be OK"



- Elisabeth Kubler-Ross' Model of Change
- The cycle can be observed in a myriad of real-life situations.
- With minor changes, this model has been used to review different aspects of organisational behaviour, from collective lay-offs, individual terminations, as well as individual responses to change.





What are the common characteristics in the change models?

- What are the differences in the change models?
- In your opinion which model best sums up organisational change?





 Transactional and Transformational Leadership

- Some researchers sought to differentiate between transactional leadership and transformational leadership.
- Significant field in this dichotomy were carried out by James McGregor Burns and Bernard Bass.







- Transactional leadership is also known as managerial leadership, focuses on supervision, organization, and performance; transactional leadership is a style of leadership in which leaders promote compliance by followers through both rewards and punishments.
- Transformational leadership is a style of leadership where a leader works with subordinates to identify needed change, creating a vision to guide the change through inspiration, and executing the change in tandem with committed members of a group

Transformational leaders look into:

- Emphasizing intrinsic motivation and positive development of followers
- Raising awareness of moral standards
- Highlighting important priorities
- Fostering higher moral maturity in followers
- Creating an ethical climate (share values, high ethical standards)



Transformational leaders look into:

- Promoting cooperation and harmony
- Using authentic, consistent means
- Using persuasive appeals based on reason
- Providing individual coaching and mentoring for followers
- Appealing to the ideals of followers
- Allowing freedom of choice for followers



- Transactional Leadership brings about change through planning, organization, distribution of work and monitoring of performance.
- Transformational leadership brings about change through the setting up of a vision, purpose, and the creation of a coalition working towards the achievement of the results.
- There is no necessarily universal right way of approaching change, but rather approaches that hold different value under different circumstances.



thank you!