# Stronger Together Apart

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Hi Daliah,

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I got the draft presentation you sent. I caught some mistakes. I have some ideas for how to make it better. I'll call you this afternoon.

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Best, Mark Shepard

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Frustration Embarrassment Anger Dismissiveness Defensiveness



#### **Re: Conference Draft Presentation**

Melissa Grey <melissagrey@email.com> to Daliah Mackenzie 👻

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Best, Melissa Grey

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Gratitude Relief Curiosity Excitement Connection



When you interpret the same message differently depending on who it came from





### THE **MOTHER-IN-LAW** EFFECT





#### **DEFINITION OF TRUST**

Trust is your willingness to be vulnerable to another based on the expectation they will perform a particular action that is important to you, regardless of your ability to monitor or control them.

BASED ON MAYER ET AL., 1995



# Trust is fundamental to all teams and even more critical in virtual teams

## productive proactive



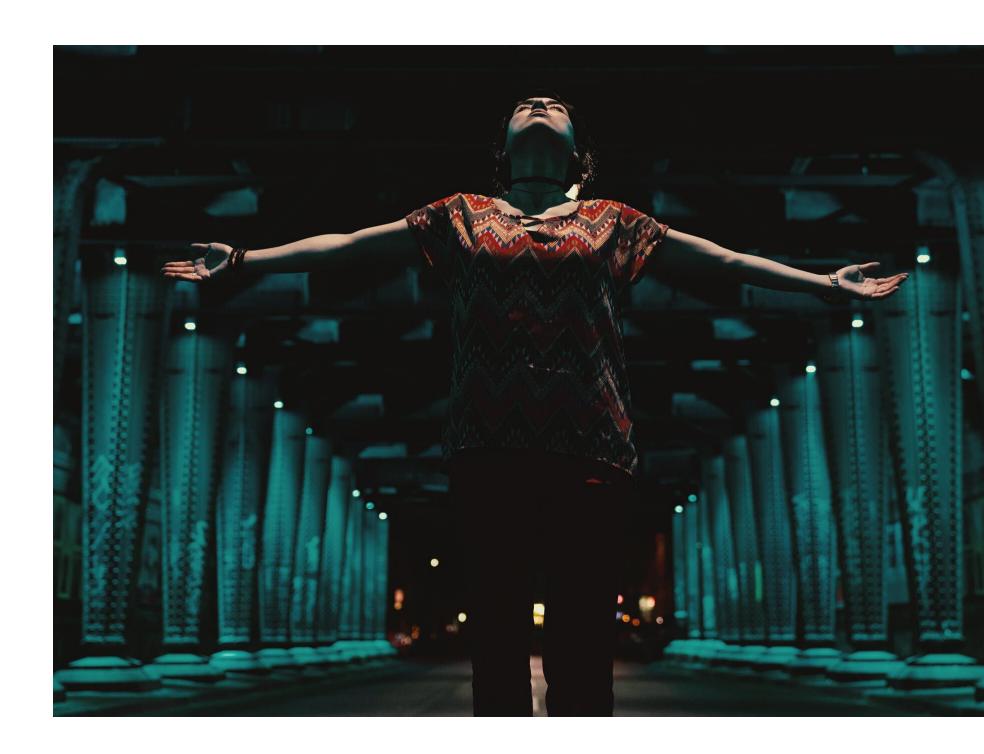
## Why Trust Matters

## optimistic

### How Trust Works

### Trust promotes risk-taking

Sharing information Asking for help Engaging in conflict Abandoning control Adding unilateral effort



#### CONNECTION

Do I know you? Can I understand you? Are you predictable?

HOW MUCH?

#### COMPETENCE

Are you capable? Can I be confident? Will you succeed?

#### **HOW IMPORTANT?**

### Dimensions of Trust

#### INTEGRITY

Are you transparent? Do you have my back? Will you protect me?

#### RELIABILITY

Will you deliver? Can I count on you? Do we share priorities?





# Strengthen Connection

Unfamiliar behaviors seem like threats

#### **INCREASE MUTUAL KNOWLEDGE**

Reduce misinterpretations and judgments

#### **INVEST IN OFF-TASK TIME**

Provide formal and informal opportunities

#### CREATE VISUAL CUES OF BELONGING

Hack trust with symbols of membership

#### TRUST IS ABOUT PREDICTABILITY



#### HIGHER WEIGHT ON COMPETENCE

Capability is more important in virtual teams

#### BUILDING CONFIDENCE IS HARD

Few cues to alert when someone is struggling

#### SOCIAL FRICTION ASKING FOR HELP

Provide formal and informal opportunities

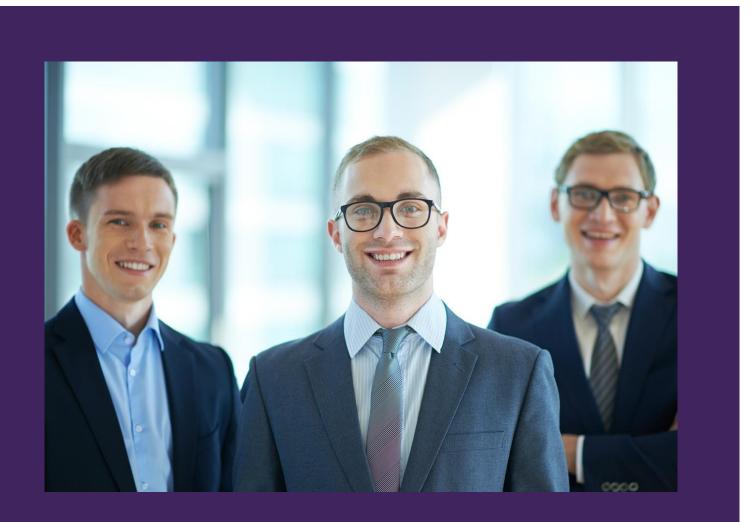
#### VIRTUAL KNOWLEDGE SHARING

Use this process to reduce friction





# Increase Confidence



# Ensure Dependability

#### RELIABILITY IS A COMMON PROBLEM

People fail to deliver as expected

#### INVEST MORE IN ALIGNMENT

Prioritize more ruthlessly

#### DOCUMENT COMMITMENTS

Create touchstones for everyone

#### CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING

Use open-ended questions to assess



Communication is, by definition, not something you can accomplish on your own.

You can't communicate *to* someone, you can only communicate *with* them.

> Liane Davey, The Good Fight



#### ENCOURAGE & MODEL CANDOR

Make bad news welcome

#### EXPOSE UNSEEN WORK

Before resentment becomes toxic

#### CHECK-IN, DON'T CHECK-UP

Vigilance and monitoring make things worse

#### ENGAGE IN PRODUCTIVE CONFLICT

Address issues frequently but not intensely





# Encourage Vulnerability

# Repairing Broken Trust





# behave before you believe

## admit vulnerability

# Questions?



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