

Engagement

"An engaged employee works with passion and feels a profound connection to his/her organization."

Gallup Research

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### Why Should They? Are you really worth their time?

The disengagement revelation:

- Time is currency.
- People selectively *spend* time.
- Engagement is about your value to them.





#### Have you heard:

"I know I could make more somewhere else ..."

Or maybe you've heard:

- Life's too short
- They couldn't pay me enough

- Past → ...... →
- 1. My Paycheck 2. My Satisfaction
- 3. My Boss
- 4. My Annual Review 5. My Weaknesses
- 6. My Job

**Employees Have Changed** 

- Future My Purpose
- My Development
- My Coach
- My Ongoing Conversations
- My Strengths
  - My Life

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<u>Members</u> →	Have Changed
Past → →	Future
1. Our Dues	Our ROI
2. Our Satisfaction	Our Growth
3. Our Events	Our Catalysts
4. Our Annual Call	Our Collaborations
5. Our Activities	Our Results
6. Our Present	Our Future









Before You Speak WAIT!
Ask yourself:
Why
Am
Talking?
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#### When it's time to speak ...

#### Presume the best:

- What would they like to hear?
- How would they like to hear the difference?

Praise loud ... fix soft

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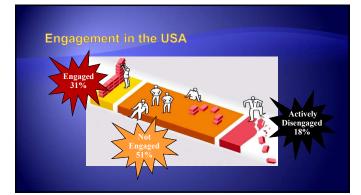
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#### **Recognize Your** Confirmation Bias

"A tendency to interpret or favor information in a way that affirms one's prior beliefs."

- Everybody functions with Confirmation Bias
- If you look for something, you will find it.
- It shuts down conversations & end connections.
- Listen without Confirmation Bias ... it's easier to hear.





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## "Actively Disengaged" Team Members

### CAVE dwellers:

- Not just unhappy;
- Tear down what engaged coworkers build

"Consistently Against Virtually Everything"

### Top 25% Engaged Organizations

When the team is engaged:

- 37% Lower Absenteeism\*
- 25% Lower Turnover in High-turnover Orgs.\*
- 65% Lower Turnover in Low-turnover Orgs.\*
- 21% Higher Productivity\*
- 22% Higher Profitability\*

\*When compared with bottom 25%

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#### Gallup's Q12: The Right 12 Questions

- 1. I know what is expected of me at work
- I have the materials and equipment I need to do my work right
- At work, I have the opportunity to do what I do best every day
   In the last 7 days, I have received recognition or praise for doing good work
- 5. My supervisor, or someone at work, seems to care about me as a person
- 6. There is someone at work who encourages my development 7. At work, my opinions seem to count
- 8. The mission or purpose of my company makes me feel my job is important
- 9. My associates or fellow employees are committed to doing quality work
- 10. I have a best friend at work
- 11. In the last six months, someone at work has talked to me about my progress
- 12. This last year, I have had opportunities to learn and grow at work



#### Basic Needs

- 1. I know what is expected of me at work.
- Personalize Learn about the person, then frame expectations.
- Communicate don't make them guess ... or ask
- Quantify Expectations must be known to be met: What's the game? The rules? How do we win?

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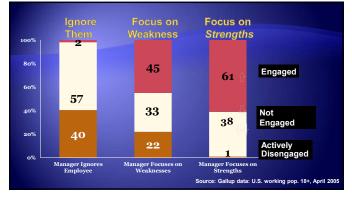


#### Management Support

4. In the last 7 days, I have received recognition or praise for doing good work.

- Genuine, precise praise engages
- Specifically-valued workers feel ... are motivated
- The opposite of recognition is being ignored.
- Q4 "consistently receives the lowest ratings"

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#### Management Support

5. My supervisor, or someone at work, seems to care about me as a person.

You want employees to say:

- My manager genuinely cares.
- I am valued for my effort, talent, & humanity
- I am respected, not just worker.

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- I am valued for my effort, talent, & humanity.
- I let my players own their positions.
- I tried to have a moment that had nothing to do with football

**People** join their companies. They quit their managers.

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### Management Support

- 6. There is someone at work who encourages my development.
  - If you focus on their weaknesses ... They think they do everything wrong.
  - Collaborate on a focused plan
  - Ongoing move their goalposts forward
     It shows you believe in them.

#### <u>Teamwork</u>

7. At work, my opinions seem to count.

- Be Open listen, respond, ask, repeat
- Proactive solicit thoughts, concerns, & ideas
- Responsive respond, implement or celebrate

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Teamwork 8. The mission or purpose of my company makes me feel my job is important.

- What you do, why you do it & how you do it!
- Leadership needs to model it ... recognize it discuss it, practice it

83% say it's "very important" to believe their life is meaningful or has purpose.

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### Teamwork

- 9. My colleagues or fellow employees are committed to doing quality work.
  - Culture quality is a priority
  - If I trust my team, I'm probably engaged.

All say, "Yes," to: "Are you committed to quality?" Only Engaged Employees say, "Yes," to Q9.

#### Teamwork

10. I have a best friend at work.

- These friendships are critical to loyalty & retention
- "Best" friends often deliver on other Q12 questions. Highest Q10 scores = Most productive teams

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#### <u>Growth</u>

11. In the last six months, someone at work has talked to me about my progress.

- Make reviews positive
- Name their strengths
- Performance-based: goals, plan, & track

- <u>Growth</u> 12. This last year, I have had opportunities to learn and grow at work.
  - Invite them to work smarter
  - If they learn and grow, so does the org.
  - Create a culture, open to new ideas
  - Let them explore possibilities without fear of rejection or retribution.



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