Lost in Space

Avoid the Black Holes in Your Business!!

CHALLENGES

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- Write your Top 10 Goals everyday for 30 Days.

This exercise is not hocus pocus, it is based on a part of the brain called the Reticular Activating System.



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Study the Numbers

Spend 2 days a month going over the numbers of your business.





TIME

- · Learn to say no.
 - · Control your Email.
 - · Block Time.

- Practice the ABCDE's of Time Management.
 - A Top priority task that must be done now!
 - B Task that is not immediate, but would hurt your business if you failed to do it.
 - C Task you would like to do, but failing to do it won't hurt your business.
 - D Task you can delegate to someone else.
 - E Task you can eliminate.

TIME

· Work from a To-Do List.



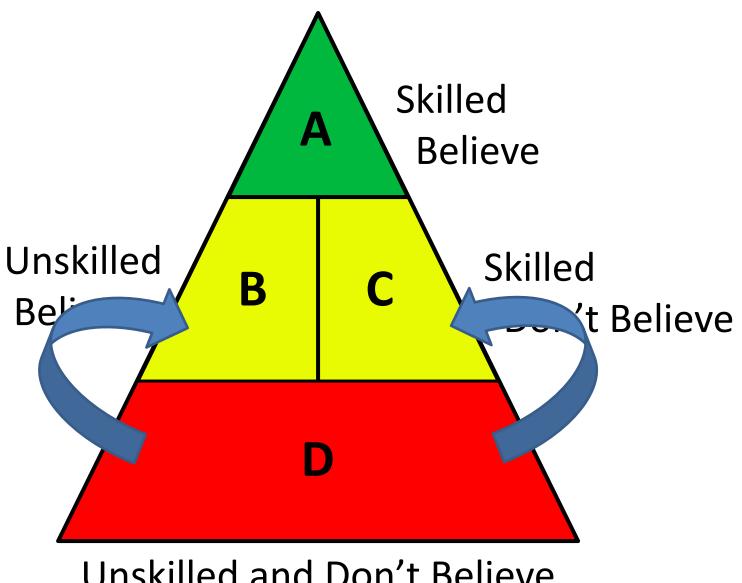
Multi-tasking is a myth!!





PAYROLL

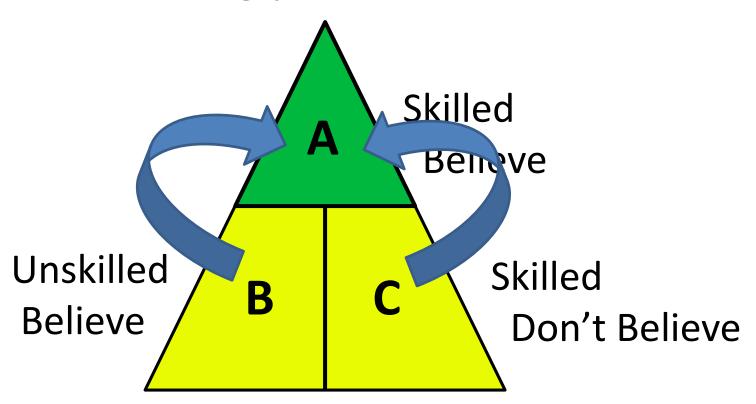
- · Share your vision with your employees.
- They must believe in your vision for the Company.
- · Lead them on the Journey.



Unskilled and Don't Believe











PAYROLL

Payroll Costs whether paid by the hour or on a commission basis should not exceed 35.0% of inventory sales.

This includes sub-contract and casual labor.

PAYROLL

Payroll can be further broken down:

Sales & Admin	5.0%
Design & Processing	15.0%
Delivery	5.0%
Officers/Owners	10.0%
Total:	35.0%

Know what "your" payroll percentages really are...

Gross Payroll Dollars/Inventory Sales = %

Benefits are generally 12 - 14% of Gross Pay.





COST OF GOODS SOLD

• First, you need to know what "your" COGS should be.

SALES

- Gross Sales
- Cash Sales
- Check Sales
- A/R Sales
- Wire in Sales
- Delivery Income
- Service & Relay Charges
- Outgoing Wire Orders

- Inventory Sales
- Fresh Flowers
- Plants
- Balloons
- Dried & Silks
- Fruit, Snack & Gourmet
- Gifts
- Cards

Other Income

Delivery Income Service & Relay Charges Outgoing Wire Orders

Sales Category	Sales	Sales Percentage By Category	Target Percentage COGS	Target Weighted COGS
Fresh Flowers				
Plants				
Balloons				
Dried & Silks				
Fruit & Snack				
Gifts				
Cards				
Design Materials				
TOTAL				

Sales Category	Sales	Sales Percentage By Category	Target Percentage COGS	Target Weighted COGS
Fresh Flowers	225,000			
Plants	35,000			
Balloons	3,400			
Dried & Silks	8,000			
Fruit & Snack	12,000			
Gifts	7,000			
Cards	2,000			
Design Materials				
TOTAL	292,400			

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Category		Percentage By Category	Percentage COGS	Weighted COGS
Fresh Flowers	225,000	76.9		
Plants	35,000	12.0		
Balloons	3,400	1.2		
Dried & Silks	8,000	2.7		
Fruit & Snack	12,000	4.1		
Gifts	7,000	2.4		
Cards	2,000	0.7		
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Fruit & Snack	12,000	4.1	40.0	
Gifts	7,000	2.4	50.0	
Cards	2,000	0.7	50.0	
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Fruit & Snack	12,000	4.1	40.0	1.6
Gifts	7,000	2.4	50.0	1.2
Cards	2,000	0.7	50.0	.4
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- (Target COGS Generator™)
- Then you need to know what "your" cost of goods sold really are.

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Plants	35,000	11,690			
Balloons	3,400	680			
Dried & Silks	8,000	3,191			
Fruit & Snack	12,000	5,136			
Gifts	7,000	3,850			
Cards	2,000	1,142			
Design Materials		27,506			
TOTAL	292,400	117,545			

TOTAL COGS = 40.2%

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Fruit & Snack	12,000	5,136	42.8		
Gifts	7,000	3,850	55.0		
Cards	2,000	1,142	57.1		
Design Materials		27,506	9.4		
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- Then, you need to know what "your" cost of goods sold really are.
- If there is a problem in this category here are some places to look:
 - Pricing Models
 - Buying Don't over pay or over spend.
 - (CMA Buyer's Budget Calculator ™)
 - Over Stuffing
 - Waste
 - Don't give away your discounts

An accurate inventory is key to an accurate COGS. A physical inventory needs to be done once a year, at a minimum.





DELIVERY

- With delivery expenses our target is not a percentage, but instead we want to compare the delivery income with the delivery costs.
- Average delivery fee is \$10.95 and going up.
- You need to average about three deliveries per driver man hour to make a profit.

DELIVERY

So what are some of the things that should be included in delivery

Salaries – Drivers
Sub-Contract Drivers
Gasoline
Repairs & Maintenance – Vehicles
Insurance – Vehicles
Interest – Vehicle Loans
Depreciation – Vehicles
Delivery Stamps (Co-Ops, hospitals, etc)
Parking & Tolls





WIRE SERVICES

- Look closely at the fees you are being charged on your wire statements and eliminate the ones that you don't need.
- Try to Maintain a balance between incoming and outgoing orders.
- Set minimum dollars for orders and limit the specialty items that you carry.

WIRE SERVICES

- Wire out whenever you feel that delivery is not profitable.
- General try to do less than 15% incoming wire business as a percentage of incoming sales.
- Prepare a profit & loss statement for each wire service, at least once a quarter.

Wire Service Profit & Loss Statement

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Income Sales:		· 	
Cost of Goods Sold:			
Purchases			
Labor			
Gross Profit			
Expenses:			
Dues		· 	
Equipment Rental		·	
Wire Service Fees		· · ·	
Directory Lists			
Other Marketing Expenses		·	
Other Fees & Charges		· · 	
Clearing House Charges		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Commissions Incoming (20%)		·	
Net Profit Incoming			
Other Income:			
Commissions Outgoing (20%)			
Rebates			
Total Income			















