

Facilitating Great Virtual Meetings



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Welcome and Introductions

- Name
- Organization
- Where you are in the world

Agenda

- Review of Facilitating Great Meetings
- Tips for Online Meeting Planning
- Groupwork
- Q&A
- Close

Outcomes for today's webinar

Participants will...

- Learn 6 tips to support remote engagement
- Learn 4 tools for supporting remote training and virtual meetings
- Crowd-source solutions for a real-life, challenging scenarios
- Choose one tool, use it, report next time

Ground rules for today

- Share and Collaborate
- Use the chat function for questions and/or comments
- Participate fully in breakout sessions
- Mute your audio when not speaking

Review – Facilitating Great Meetings

Role of a Facilitator

- Design processes that lead to productive group work
- Support full participation to harness the power of the group's diversity
- Develop mutual understanding and agreements among different perspectives within the group
- Establish shared accountability for those decisions

Meeting Goals and Outcomes

Share/report information

Learn

Generate ideas

Provide input

Complete a task

Make decisions

Address a process issue

Checking in

Share a skill you have successfully applied from
“Facilitating Great Meetings.”

Facilitating Great Virtual Meetings



Time for a poll!

5 Common Mistakes

- Not having a clear set of outcomes and/or agenda
- Stuffing the agenda; trying to do too much
- Not leading forcefully

5 Common Mistakes *(con't)*

- Too much presentation, not enough conversation
- Technology fails – now what?

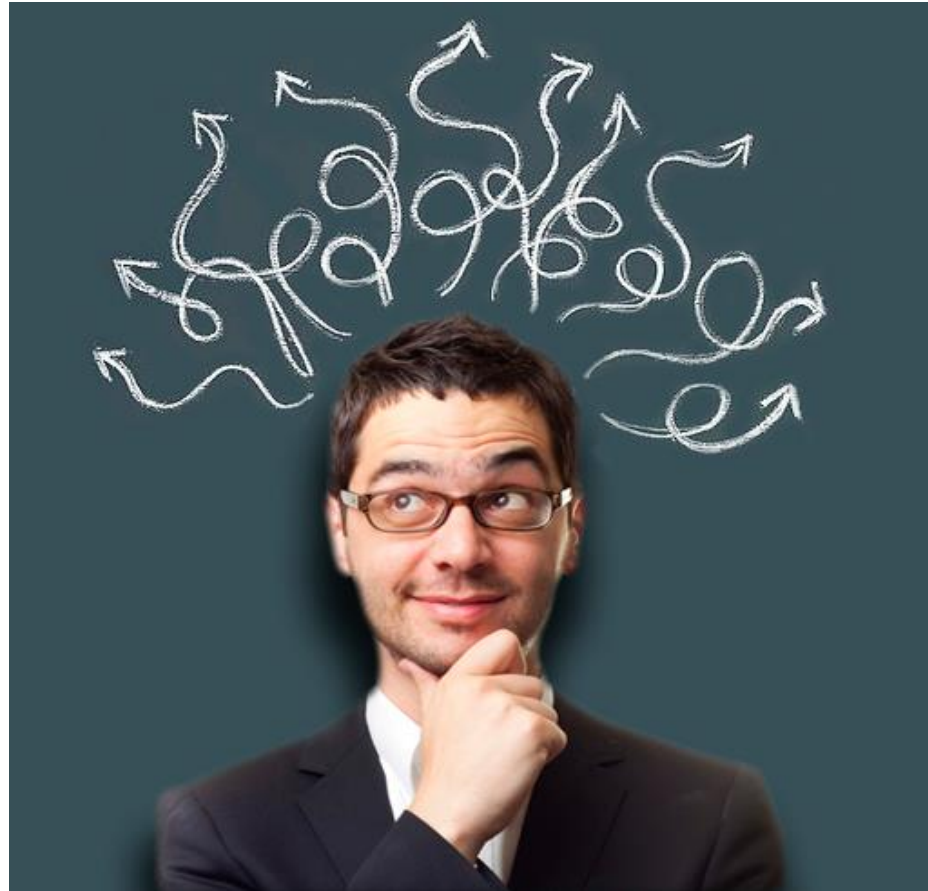
6 tips for planning online meetings

- Create connections early
- Be hyper-vigilant on good practice (outcomes, learning cycle, etc.)



5 tips for planning online meetings

- Limit content to 5-8 minute chunks
- Debrief after content and set up discussion and decision making thoughtfully
- Use technology strategically
- Prep, rehearse, tech check



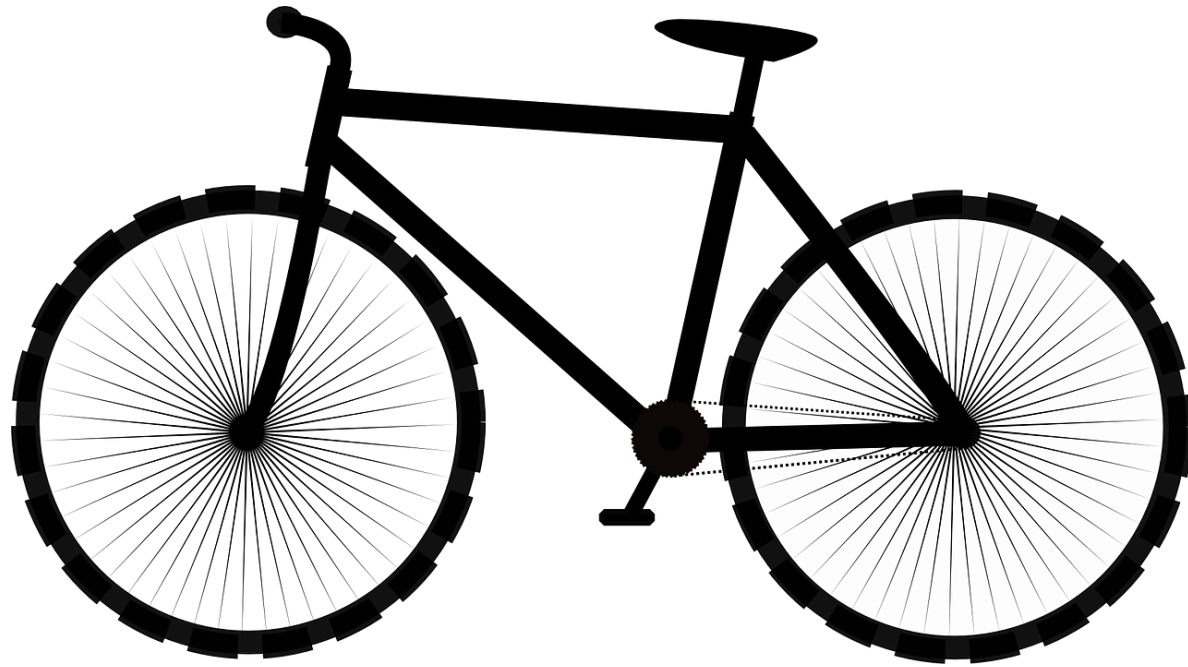
Given your experience, how do these tips and mistakes resonate with you?

What is one tip you would share based on your experiences?



4 Practical Tips for Leading Online Meetings

- Balance tasks and relationship building



4 Practical Tips for Leading Online Meetings

- Set-up and preparation is everything
- Open well; share clear objectives, engage early and often
- Close well; summarize and define clear next steps



What are your remaining questions about facilitating virtual meetings?

Questions

- What is a good way to spark conversation and engagement?
- How can you balance the voices of introverts and extroverts?
- How frequently should we meet? How long should virtually meetings last?

Group Work

Question Responses and Suggestions

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**How will you
implement
what you
learned today?**

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Thank You!