

#### THE DISRUPTIVE HR BUSINESS PARTNER PROGRAMME

EPISODE 4: YOU AND YOUR LEADERS

#### WHAT WE'RE GOING TO COVER

- 1. Why new thinking around influencing leaders is needed
- 2. New approaches
  - Designing the change
  - Persuading them to be open to new things
  - Shifting behaviour
  - Marketing the changes



#### WHY WE FIND IT HARD TO CHANGE

Top-down change rarely succeeds.

Presenting change as something that takes time and effort is off-putting.

Change involves 'loss' – of status, of certainty, of habits.

Data and even a strong business rationale won't change behaviour.



# SOME NEW APPROACHES TO MAKING CHANGE HAPPEN

DESIGNING

PERSUADING

SHIFTING BEHAVIOUR

MARKETING



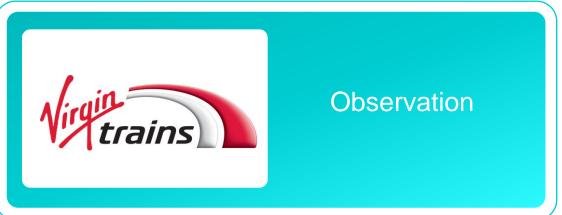
DESIGNING





#### LED BY DATA AND INSIGHT









## IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE PERFECT





#### TRY AGILE DESIGN METHODS











PERSUADING

#### WHICH RESISTANCE ARE YOU FACING?

'PROVE TO ME IT WILL WORK'

THE INTELLECTUAL

'I HAVEN'T GOT TIME'

THE BUSY OPERATOR

'IT'S HR'S JOB'

THE RELUCTANT

'IT WON'T WORK!'

THE DEFIANT



## WHY WOULD THEY WANT TO CHANGE?









#### GIVE LEADERS OPTIONS NOT ONE-SIZE-FITS-ALL



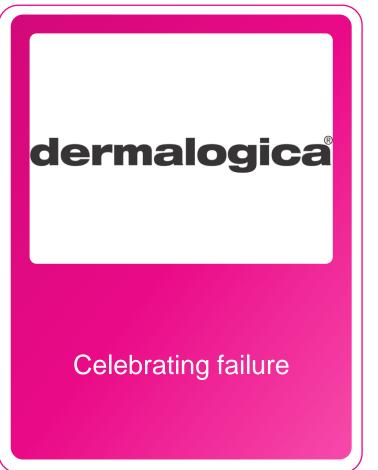






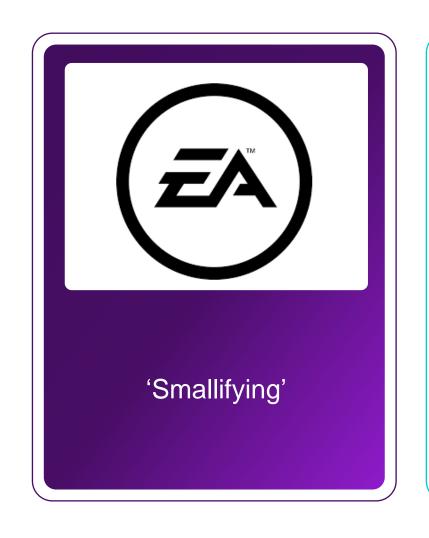
#### MAKE IT 'PSYCHOLOGICALLY SAFE' FOR THEM TO TRY

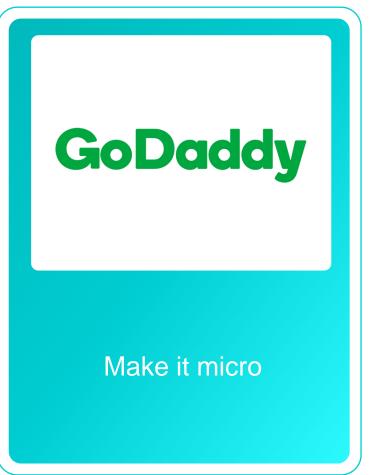






#### 'SHRINK' THE CHANGE TO MAKE IT LESS THREATENING





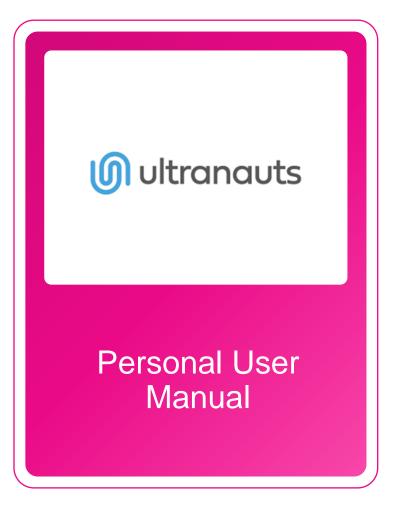


SHIFTING BEHAVIOUR

#### GIVING LEADERS INSIGHTS ABOUT THEIR TEAM









#### CLARIFY AND MEASURE WHAT YOU WANT THEM TO ACHIEVE



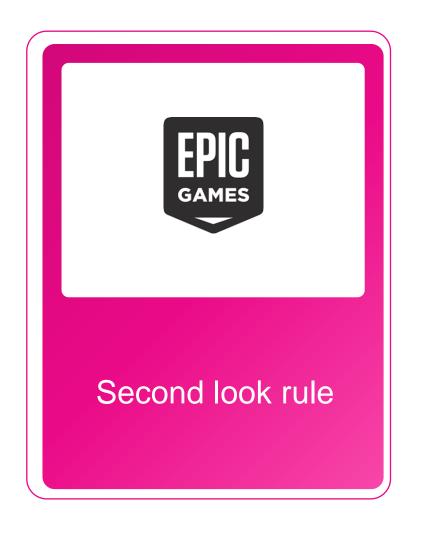
- 1. Coach your team
- 2. Show appreciation
- 3. Lead with trust

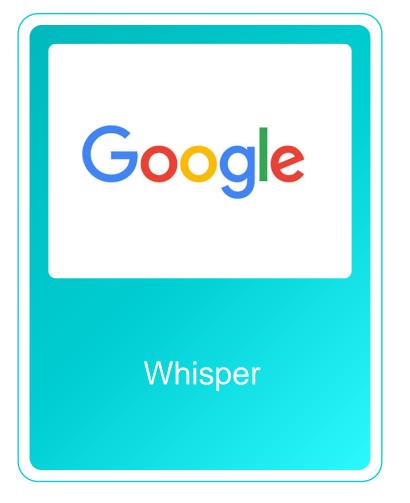


Pulse survey data shown to all



#### USE NUDGES TO HELP THEM CHANGE







#### HELPING LEADERS DO IT BETTER - TRY NUDGES

Ask your team to suggest a check-in when they need it rather than at set times

Instead of 'Can I give you some feedback?' try 'Is there any feedback that you would find useful?'

Ask your team if they want a careers chat in their next check-in?

At your next team meeting kick off with telling someone about something great they did

Try out this question with your team— 'If you were manged by you, what would you do differently?'



#### LET THEM LEARN FROM EACH OTHER

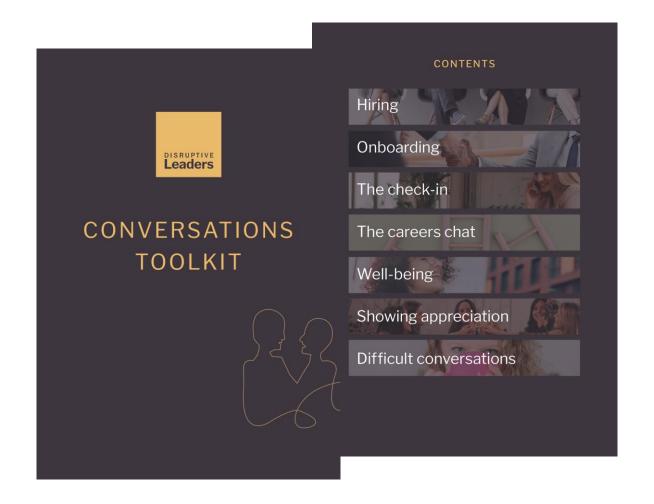






#### SHORT AND SWEET LEARNING INTERVENTIONS







GROUP WORK

WHICH TECHNIQUES MIGHT YOU WANT TO TRY?



#### MARKETING



#### CHANGING THE LANGUAGE OF HR

#### How about these for starters?

**Performance review** This is as unpleasant as it sounds

**Probation** For criminals - not employees

Career paths They don't exist anymore. They're just careers

Onboarding Sounds like 'waterboarding'

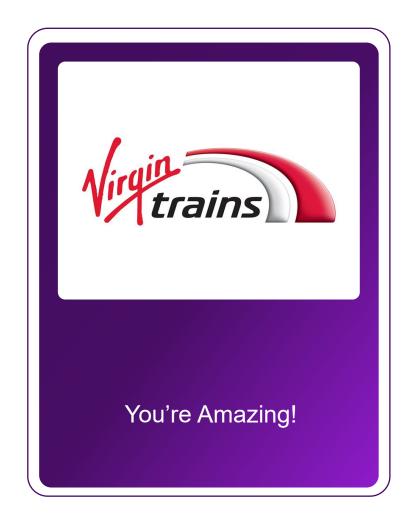
**Talent management** Isn't this just what HR does?

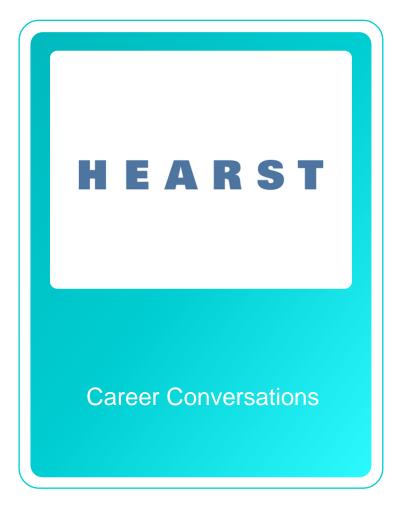
**Compensation and benefits** Too 1970's, and sounds like our people are claiming for something

Competencies Too 1980's



#### BRANDING AND LANGUAGE







### THINK MARKETING NOT COMPLIANCE







#### USING DIFFERENT MARKETING TECHNIQUES

## **Content Marketing**



## **Permission Marketing**







#### **EPISODE 4: KEY TAKEAWAYS**

- We need to be clear on why our leaders would want to change. Use persona to help you
  understand what makes them tick.
- 2. Give your leaders useful *insights* to help them manage their people better.
- 3. Try out some agile design techniques such as 'early adopters' or 'sprint planning' to deliver HR in different ways.
- 4. Make it psychologically safe for leaders to try new things.
- 5. Use 'nudge techniques' to help change behaviours.
- 6. Think like a marketeer! We have to sell to our leaders if we want to engage them.
- 7. Don't waste your time and talents on the biggest resistors.



## CONGRATULATIONS!

#### WHAT YOU'VE COVERED

Episode 1
You and your
skills

Episode 2&3 New approaches to HR

Episode 4
You and your leaders

- The need for change
- The new HR skills& mindset
- Moving away from ER & operations

- Performance management and Reward
- Talent Management

 Influencing leaders and delivering HR in different and more agile ways







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