

We Work As We Play, And We Play As We Work (games that increase your team's efficiency)

A word of heresy spreads out through the project managers' community: it's OK to play games with your team at work! Icebreakers, team building, problem solving, and training exercises – all are breaking out from academic and training environments and are used by project managers to build more efficient teams, improve communication and instill new skills.

Creating a high-performing team is a complex matter, particularly when the project team members don't really know each other. Games and simulations are fun, but they have a serious objective: to create a relaxed environment to start connecting with each other, understanding personalities and establishing patterns for working together.

A well-designed exercise will allow to break individual barriers and prepare the team for acting as a highly functional unit when the real work starts. Moreover, the team spirit needs to be maintained throughout the project, and it's the project manager's responsibility to do so.

Methodology

A session of educational fun where participants will try out some games that can be used with the project team! Practice effective communication and change facilitation, successful negotiation and conflict resolution.

All of these while learning how to recognize and adjust your approach to interact with different personalities, as well as the many workplace generations – from baby boomers to millennials and Gen Z.

Objectives:

- ✓ Increase your efficiency in building high-performing project teams
- ✓ Practice several exercises that can actually be done at the workplace

Format:

- ✓ 1.5 hour Session
- ✓ 1/2 day Workshop

SPEAKER

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His career includes methodology definition and capability assessment, business reengineering and organizational restructuring, projects audit and recovery, as well as hands-on management of projects - many of them winning provincial and national awards, and/or were profiled in specialty magazines.

A renowned expert in standards and methodologies, George is currently leading the Canadian Standards Mirror Committee at International Organization of Standardization (ISO) for the establishment of Project, Programme and Portfolio Management family of standards. He also had leadership positions for PMBOK® Guide 6th, 5th and 4th Edition, PMCDF - 2nd Edition, and Government Extension to PMBOK® Guide - 3rd Edition.

He is an active volunteer within PMI, having held many international and local positions including past President of Southern Ontario Chapter.

