



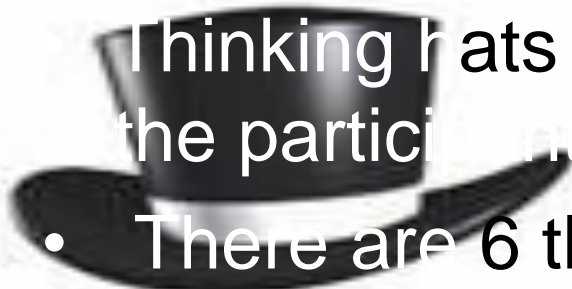
Six Thinking Hats Methodology

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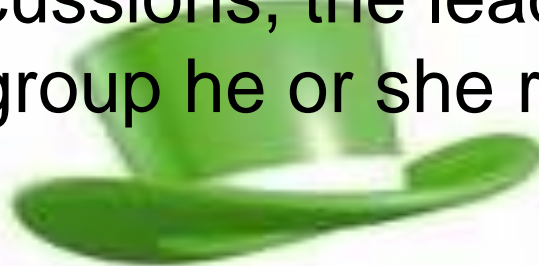
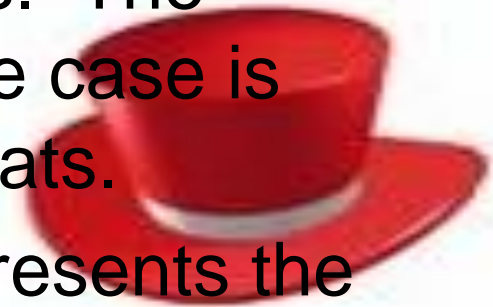
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Thinking hats method, stimulates the creativity of the participants.

- There are 6 thinking hats of different colour: white, red, yellow, green, blue and black.
- The collective is divided into 6 groups. The thinking hats are handed over and the case is discussed through the colour of the hats.
- After group discussions, the leader presents the position of the group he or she represents.



White hat- Informs

- Those who wear the white hat have to offer information and pictures when they are asked for. They do not offer interpretations and opinions.
- When wearing the white hat the thinker has to imitate the computer, to focus strictly on the discussed problem objectively and to relate exactly the data. The thinker of the white hat is disciplined and direct.

Red Hat- Tells What It Feels about...

- Wearing the red hat, the thinker can say something like “That’s how I feel about...”
- This hat legitimizes emotions and feelings as an integrative part of thinking. It renders the visualization and expressions possible.
- The red hat allows the thinker to explore the feelings of the other participants at the discussion, asking them what their opinion is through the red hat perspective, meaning from an emotional and affective point of view..

Yellow Hat- Brings Creative Benefits

- It is the symbol of positive and constructive thinking, of optimism. It focuses on positive appreciations, expresses hope, which has in view the benefits, the value of the given information and facts.
- Yellow hat thinker fights to find logical and practical supporting evidence for this benefits and values, offers suggestions, precise and clear proposals.
- It requires a greater thinking effort. The benefits aren't rapidly seen and they must be looked for.

Black Hat- Identifies the Errors

- It is the warning hat, focused especially on negative appreciation of things.
- The black hat thinker outlines what is wrong, incorrect and what the errors are.
- It explains what doesn't fit and why something doesn't work; which are the risks, dangers and the mistakes of the planned initiatives.
- It is not an argument but an objective attempt to underline the negative elements.

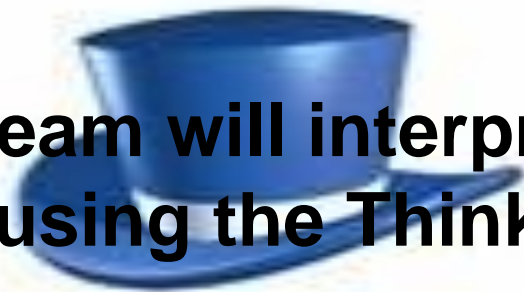
Green hat- Generates New ideas- The Effort

- It symbolizes creative thinking.
- Green symbolizes fertility, rebirth, the value of the seeds.
- Looking for alternatives is the fundamental aspect of the green hat.
- It is used to reach new concepts and new perceptions, new versions and possibilities.

Blue Hat- Clarifies

- It is the hat responsible with the control of the outgoing interventions.
- Defines the problem and directs questions
- Refocuses information during the activity and formulates main ideas and conclusions at the end
- Monitors the game and pays attention to the rules
- Solves conflicts and insists on building thinking interventions
- Intervenes from now and then and at the end
- Draws attention to the other hats, using simple interjections
- Even though it has the leader role, every hat is allowed to make comments and suggestions

TASK: Every team will interpret the workshop theme using the Thinking Hats.



White hat- informs objectively

• **Green hat**- generates new ideas

• **Yellow hat**- expresses benefits

• **Blue hat**- clarifies

• **Black hat**- identifies the weak points

• **Red hat**- expresses emotional states

