Six Thinking Hats® *(Edward DeBono)*

Six Thinking Hats® is a simple, effective parallel thinking process that helps group conversations be more productive and focused. A powerful tool set, which once learned can be applied immediately!

You and your team members can learn how to separate thinking into six clear functions and roles. Each thinking role is identified with a colored symbolic "thinking hat." By mentally wearing and switching "hats," you can easily focus or redirect thoughts, the conversation, or the meeting.

The WHITE Hat call for information known or needed. “The facts, just the facts.”

The YELLOW Hat symbolizes brightness and optimism. Under this hat you explore the positives and probe for value and benefit.

The BLACK Hat is judgment – the devil’s advocate or why something may not work. Spot the difficulties and dangers; where things might go wrong. Probably the most powerful and useful of the Hats, but a problem if overused.

The RED Hat signifies feelings, hunches and intuition. When using this hat you can express emotions and feelings and share fears, likes, dislikes, loves and hates.

The GREEN Hat focuses on creativity; the possibilities alternatives, and new ideas. It’s an opportunity to express new concepts and new perceptions.

The BLUE Hat is used to facilitate the processes, ensuring that all thinking roles and respective viewpoints are represented and heard.