Finding Focus

During times of high activity, people may struggle to focus. By clearly understanding priorities from a holistic lens, individuals can more effectively manage their time and achieve meaningful outcomes.

Estimated Time: 20–30 minutes + 15–20 minutes of pre-work

Instructions

- 1. Prior to a one-on-one meeting, send the fillable template (on the next page) to your direct report and ask them to fill it out to the best of their ability.
- 2. In your meeting, ask them to walk you through their responses.
- 3. Discuss opportunities to use these responses to inform future work. You may use the questions below to get started or come up with your own:
 - ▶ What insights did this activity give you about your current workload?
 - Do any discrepancies exist between what you are doing and our overall objectives? If so, what are they? How can we better align your work?
 - What changes do you want to make in how you work to achieve your goals more effectively?
 - How can I better support you?





WEapproach to Focus

ANALYTICAL	What bottom-line outcomes am I responsible for?	How do my efforts support the team or company's vision?	CONCEPTUAL
STRUCTURAL	What practices or processes am I using to ensure I reach these goals?	Whose support do I need to effectively accomplish my work?	SOCIAL
1/3	EXPRESSIVENESS How could my manager and I communicate better to reach the objectives?		3/3
1/3	ASSERTIVENESS What pacing is reasonable?		3/3
1/3	FLEXIBILITY What are absolute must-do's and where is there wiggle room?		3/3