

Get on the Front Foot!

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As I reflect back on this week's journey as we near the mid-sem break in a couple of week, it's good to see the team getting along nicely and bonding with one another. I believe that the team is performing well together and really understand each other well, this is displayed through our consistent results that we are generating. One of the key things I picked up on when reflecting through this week was the need view situations from multiple perspectives rather than just my own. I believe sometimes when things are going smoothly, I prefer to stay distant from taking a look at the bigger picture and other perspectives along with listening to the others justification on what they think should be done.

For example, the reading also mentioned the need to implement this skill as it can be beneficial for individuals when taking management roles. "Always view a problem from different perspectives. Try using alternative starting points and approaches rather than sticking with the first line of thought that occurs to you". – John S. Hammond; Ralph L. Keeney; Howard Raiffa, 1998. This reading helped in finding a solution to my main problem this week as it shows the need to stop and cover all perspectives, before solidifying my stand within the group. This way I will be able to see the issues I'm facing from all standpoints and be able to pick the best position knowing that I've covered all other possible stands, before picking my final stand on certain issues.

The reading also quoted another crucial point that I believe was worth taking note of. "Be open minded. Seek information and opinions from a variety of people to widen your frame of reference and to push your mind in fresh directions."-John S. Hammond; Ralph L. Keeney; Howard Raiffa, 1998. This is another thing I need to improve on, I believe I just state and plant my opinion and thoughts upon my team mates rather than discussing and seeking information for the majority of the time. This needs to change in order to ensure that I'm efficient in my decision making and not wasting time thinking about an outcome of a decision that could easily be made by discussing with my pairs.

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