

# Managing Stress in the Workplace

#### Gaining Back your Focus

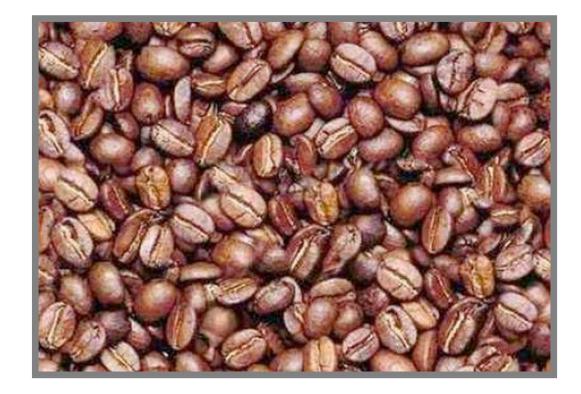
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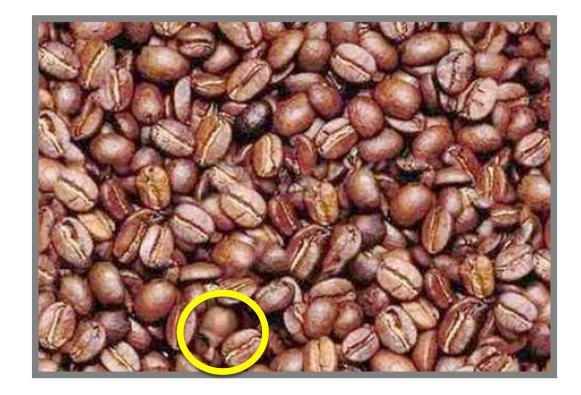
If there is one thing that excellence in sports and excellence in work have in common, it can be summed up in a single phrase: *Focus of Attention* 

**Timothy Gallwey** 

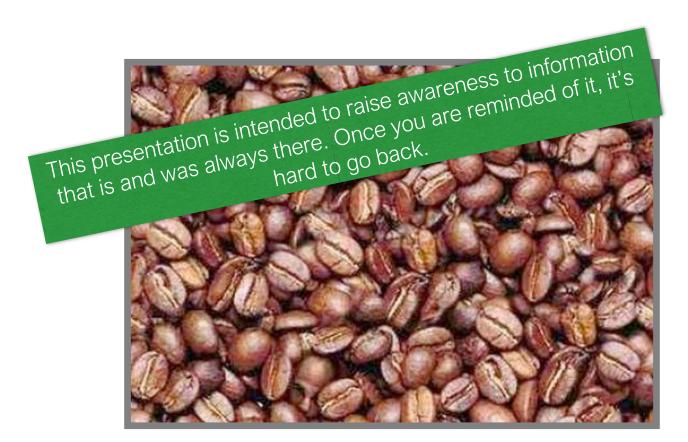










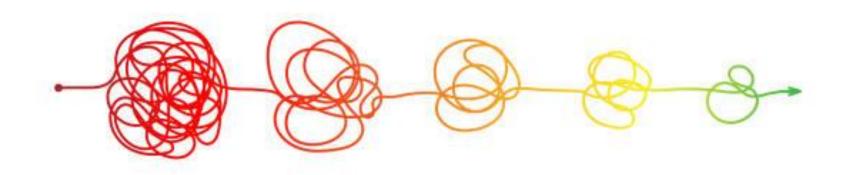


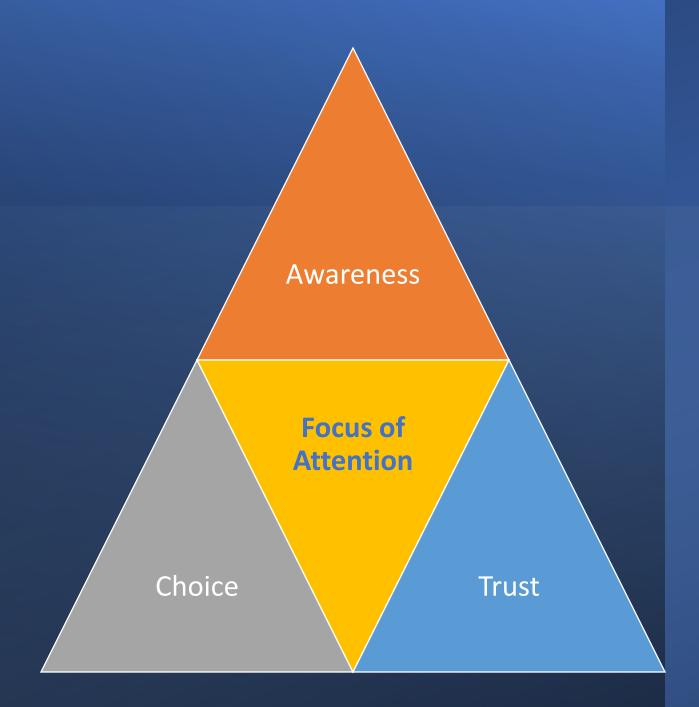


# What I want you to discover...

Ways to reduce the impact of the stressors in your life so you can focus on the things that matter and achieve the results you need.

#### Our Focus of Attention



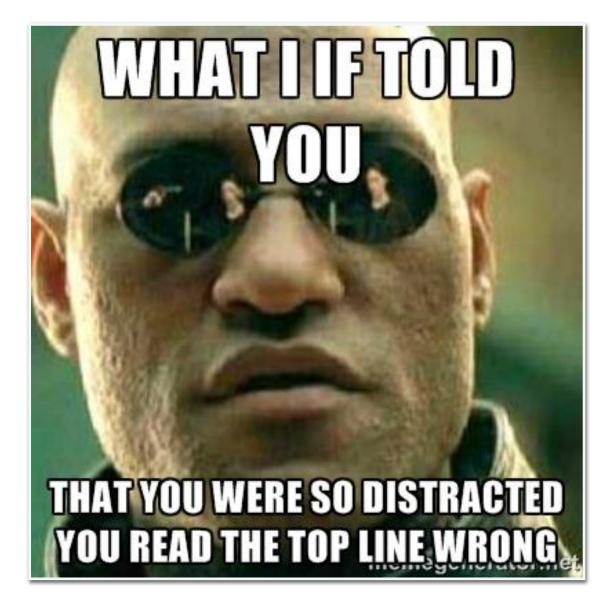




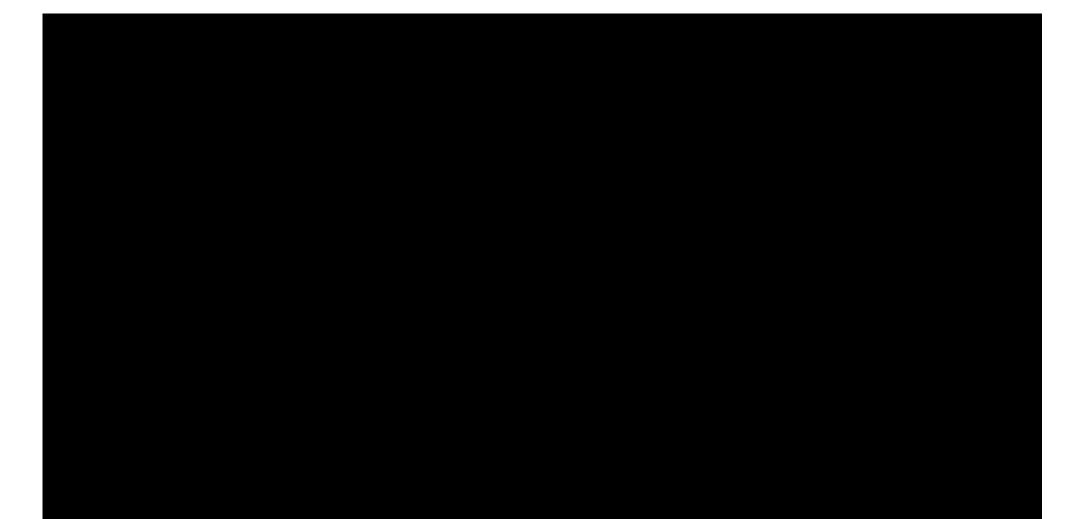
### The Inner Critic



#### Pay Attention!

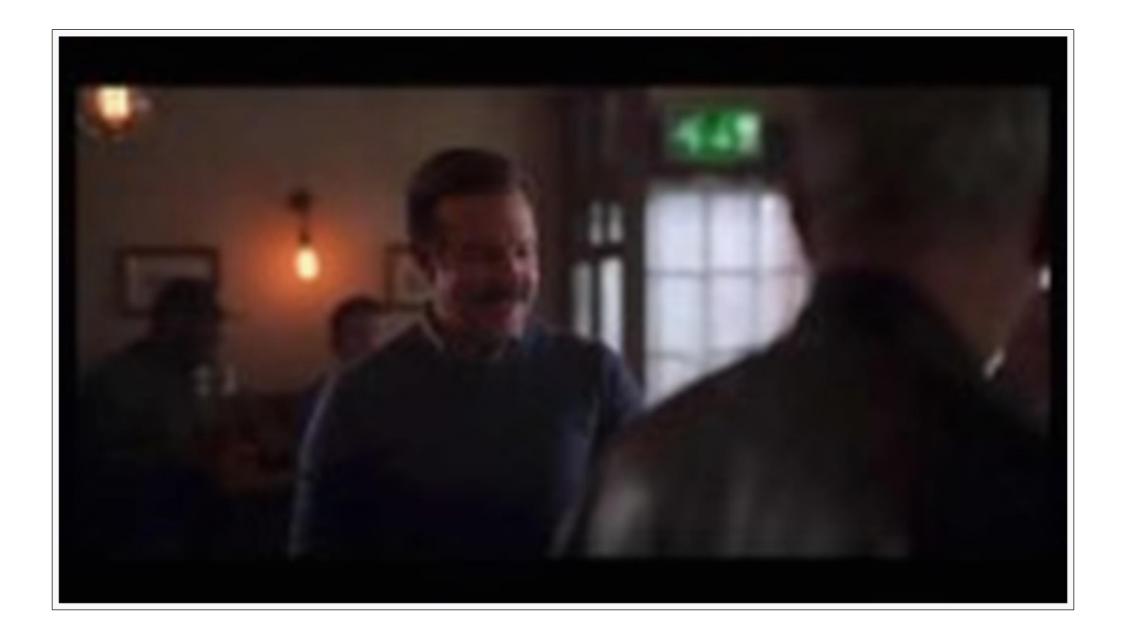








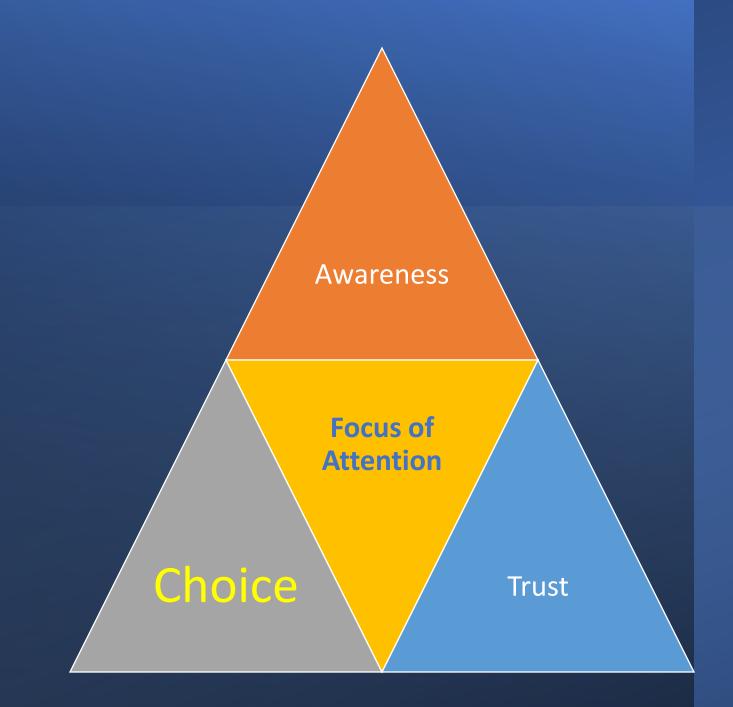






#### "Be curious, not judgmental"

Walt Whitman



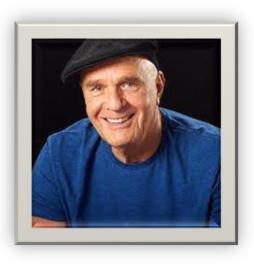
### Choice





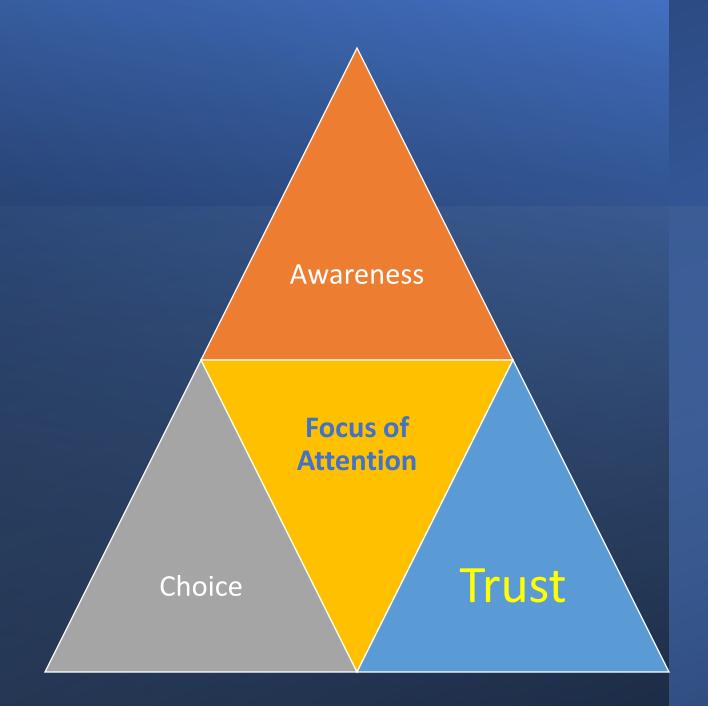
You cannot always control what goes on outside.

But you can always control what goes on inside.



Wayne Dyer

# Support choice by being clear about your priorities.



#### Trust

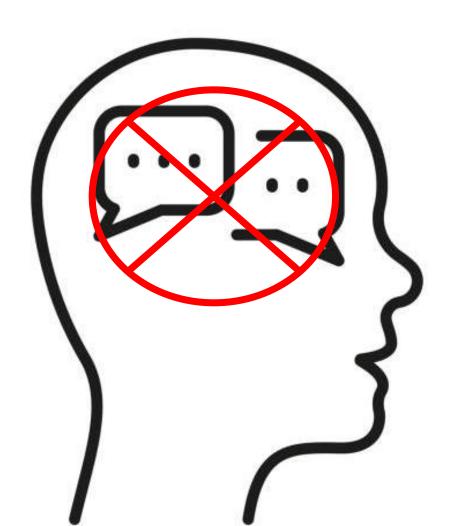




## The Inner Critic

# When we are no longer able to change a situation - we are challenged to change ourselves.

Viktor Frankl – Man's Search for Meaning



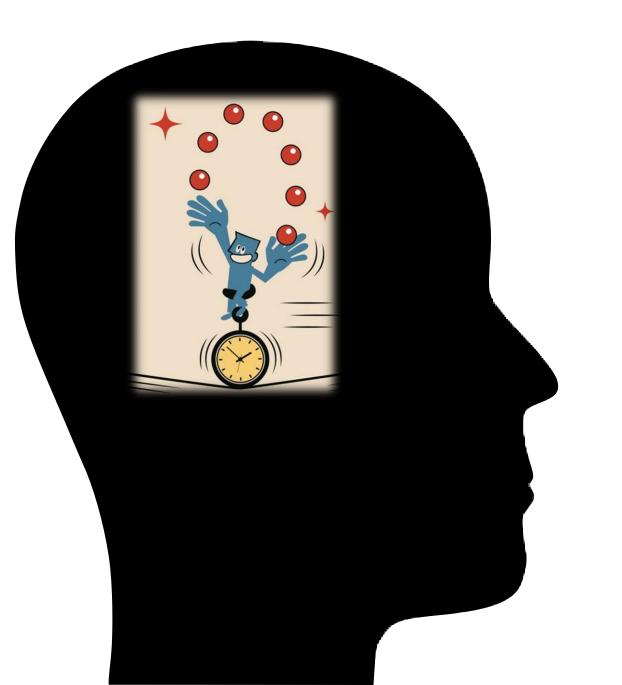
Silence The Inner Critic

# Find that Flow Moment

Creating an "Inner Environment" for Focus

# "No Thought for 30" exercise

Centre Yourself: Close your eyes and slowly count to 30 without letting a single thought other than the counting enter your mind





#### Too much to do, too little time...



Tips for Creating an External Environment for Focus

Silence the Inner Critic – perfection, control, risk avoidance

How and why did I accept these demands

Renegotiate or delegate some of the demand

Reflect on how you use your time – the 1/3 rule

## (Awareness + Choice + Trust) x practice = Focus of Attention

The truth is that there is no actual stress or anxiety in the world; it's your thoughts that create these false beliefs.

You can't package stress, touch it, or see it.

There are only people engaged in stressful thinking.

Wayne Dyer

# Thank You

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