From best kept secret

to thought leader



Great speakers are not born, they're trained.

Dale Carnegie

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Where is the stretch?







Dicht de 4 concentratielekken en krijg meer gedaan in een wereld vol afleiding

How many words per minute

- ... speak
- ... read
- ... think









Do I trust you? Is this correct? Are you skilled? Do I care?

Speak to connect, Not to impress



Happy High Status



Intention

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If something can't be explained on the back of an envelope, it's rubbish.

Richard Branson

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Focus on your audience







Not what, Not how... but why!

Why start with why?

Meh. /mɛ/

Indifference; to be used when one simply does not care.



It's all about storytelling



"People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

– Maya Angelou.



Magical number



WHAT IT CAN FEEL LIKE



WHAT'S ACTUALLY HAPPENING



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Ever felt like you're making progress on something only to find yourself right back exactly where you started? Like you're trying to make a decision about something and you talk yourself all the pros and cons and *finally* feel like you can move forward. And then you get home that night and ... there you are again feeling anxious, unsure and back in the loop of indecision?

Or maybe it's something bigger. Like you keep saying you need to find yourself a new job. You're not happy where you are and you know that you could feel more passionate and alive if only you took that jump... And so you feel alive just thinking about the dream, what that new job could look like, how it would feel to hand in your resignation... And then you get home that night, go to bed, wake up the next day and keep doing exactly what you've been doing. Nothing changes. You're going around and around in circles. Even though you know things could be different you somehow just can't make that change.

Why is it that we keep doing this to ourselves? Some kind of strange reasoning process that kicks in and says "maybe now is not the right time" "What if I just do it one more time". We convince ourselves to just keep going regardless of how we are feeling throughout that process.

There is so much going on beneath the surface. Sometimes we can be super aware of it, and still make that conscious choice to keep going. And at other times we don't even know when, how, and why we immediately pull back. We stop ourselves before we can even consider making a move.

Here's the deal, our brains are wired to protect us. Which means if we're not paying careful attention, at any chance it gets the wiring and chemistry that is going on inside your brain will automatically protect you no matter what. It's not pausing long enough to ask, yes but what if it makes me feel alive? It just knows that you must feel safe, comforted and protected. And sometimes this is so incredibly valuable for us. Like that feeling you get when you just don't want to walk home in the dark by yourself. Your instincts are keeping you safe. But what about the thought of resigning from your job? Do you really need to be kept comfortable in that moment?

What if for a moment you felt uncomfortable but knew with certainty that once you'd moved through the uncomforted that feeling of *coming alive again* was on the other side? Would it be worth it?

The reason you're going round and round in circles is because your auto responses right now are keeping you safe. Even though you don't like your job, or you don't want to say yes to that friend that keeps asking you out when you just want to stay at home on the couch, or you just want to put yourself first for once – you get a feeling of familiarity by doing the same thing over and over again. Going out with that friend – you know what you're going to get. It's safe. Comfortable. Even if you don't like it. Staying in a job you don't like, that is stressing you out or just not lighting you up – you know what to expect every single day.

You may feel disappointment but at least you know what that feels like. •••

Google maps in the brain

Don't dumb it down...

Spice it up



DATA



EXPLAINED WITH A STORY



"No one ever made a decision because of a number. They need a story."





Got 15 min? Watch this TED talk

Make sure you have finished

speaking before your audience

has finished listening.

Dorothy Sarnoff

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This sentence has five words. Here are five more words. Five-word sentences are fine. But several together become monotonous. Listen to what is happening. The writing is getting boring. The sound of it drones. It's like a stuck record. The ear demands some variety.

Now listen. I vary the sentence length, and I create music. Music. The writing sings. It has a pleasant rhythm, a lilt, a harmony. I use short sentences. And I use sentences of medium length. And sometimes when I am certain the reader is rested, I will engage him with a sentence of considerable lengt, a sentence that burns with energy and builds with all the impetus of a crescendo, the roll of the drums, the crash of the cymbals – sounds that say listen to this, it is important.

So write with a combination of short, medium, and long sentences. Create a sound that pleases the reader's ear. Don't just write words. Write music.

Vocal variety

G. Provost

Most powerful and confident person in the room?

"The most powerful person in the room has the most relaxed breathing pattern." C. Goyder.

NEVER

IN THE HISTORY OF CALMING DOWN. HAS ANYONE EVER CALMED DOWN BY BEING TOLD TO CALM DOWN.











Nodding time

Breathing

'ehm...'

The power of pauses

"The right word may be effective, but no word was ever as effective as a rightly timed pause."

– Mark Twain





Thank you!

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