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The Power of the PxP

How the Project Execution Plan brings **project stakeholders** together under **one set of standards**

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What to expect today

1. Audience ID
2. Identifying your takeaway
3. Fast exercise
4. Fun
5. Interactive polling
6. Goal check
7. Q & A throughout

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What impact does project execution have on your day?

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What's the one takeaway you'd like to leave with today?

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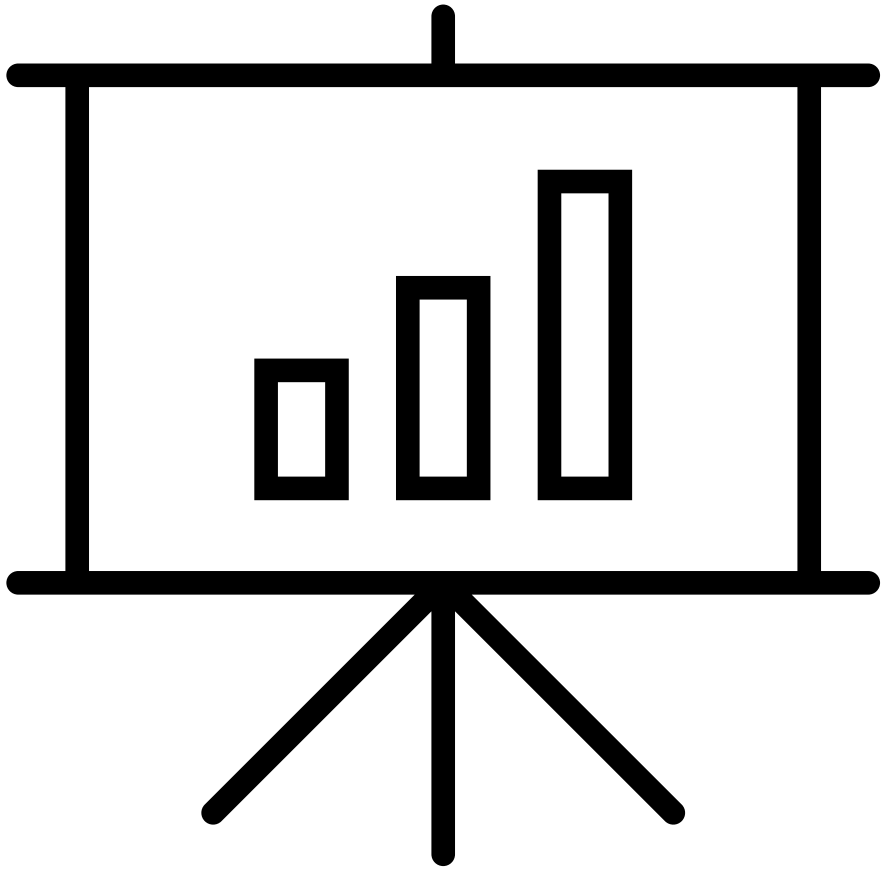
Project Execution Exercise

Handout | 10 minutes

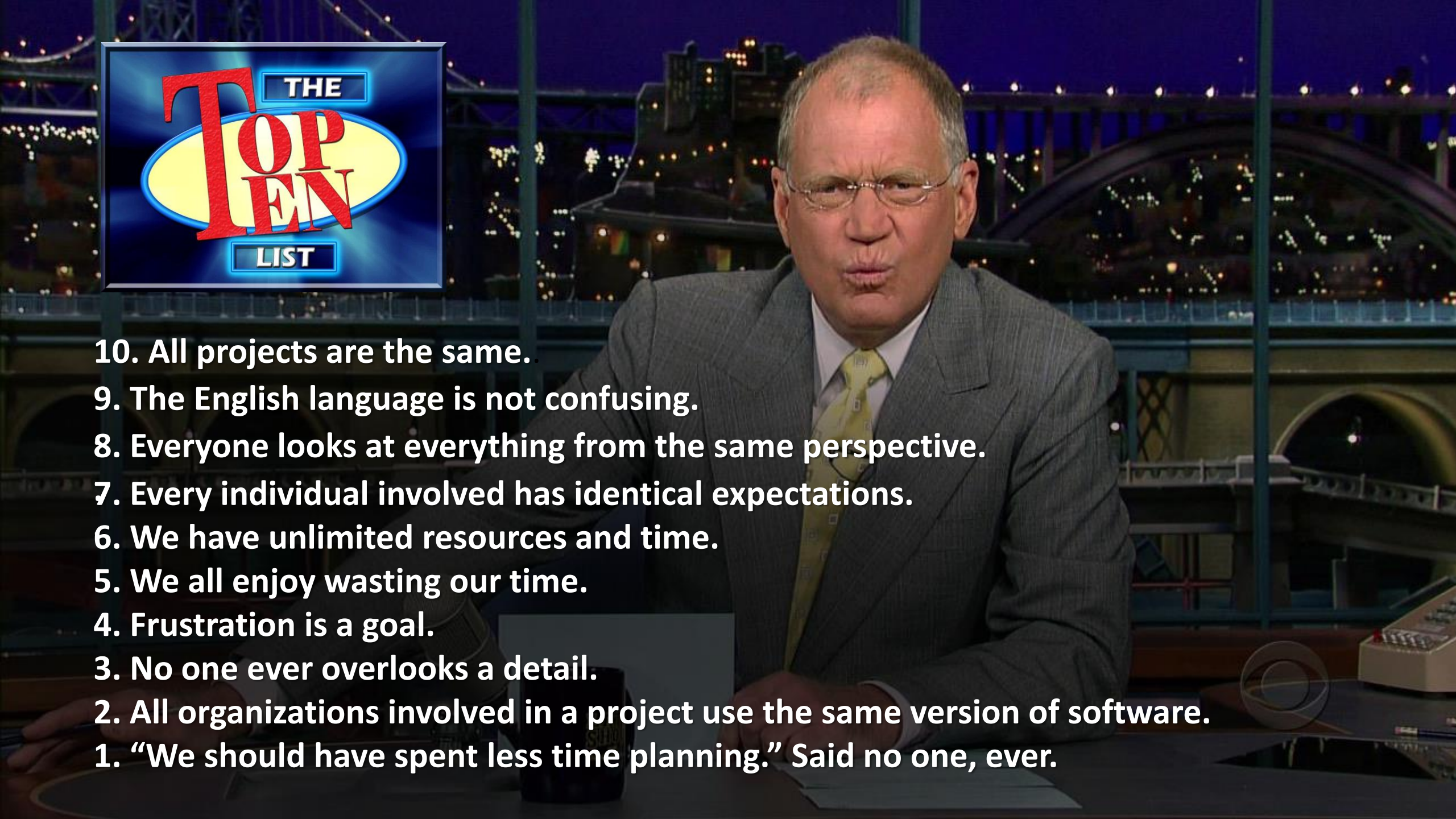
What did you discover?

Flipchart | Let’s talk about your experience



Top 10 Reasons you wouldn’t use a Project Execution Plan

Letterman style



10. All projects are the same.
9. The English language is not confusing.
8. Everyone looks at everything from the same perspective.
7. Every individual involved has identical expectations.
6. We have unlimited resources and time.
5. We all enjoy wasting our time.
4. Frustration is a goal.
3. No one ever overlooks a detail.
2. All organizations involved in a project use the same version of software.
1. “We should have spent less time planning.” Said no one, ever.

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Audience Q&A Session

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Projects work without a plan

- How do you know when to say “No”?
- How do you know when to say “Yes”?
- Does it worry you that by not following a plan you will overstretch your resources? Or miss out on another opportunity?

Projects work without a plan

- What ramifications does lack of planning have on exposure to risk?
- What impact does rework have on your employees, your clients, your reputation?
- What goes through a client's mind as they approve a change order?
- What consequences does that lead to?

Discussion | Small group

Projects work without a plan

- Project Execution Plans create an onboarding process for your project.
- What else?

PxP| What it does

- Clarity – terms
- Context – Project Life Cycle – big map to the product
- Instructions, steps, priorities – process
- Who does what - People
- Timely informed decisions – guidelines
- Improvement guide - learning

PxP| Provides guides within guides

- Objectives/scope statement
- Scope definition
- Scheduling guide
- Estimated Costs/budget aka financial plan
- Roles and responsibilities/staffing plan
- Communication plan – external and internal
- Stakeholder management plan
- Change management plan
- Quality plan
- Risk management plan
- Acquisitions management
- Project closeout checklist

PxP| Helps you answer key questions

- Cost “How is the project processing against budget?”
- Time/Schedule “How is the project progressing against schedule?”
- Scope “Is the scope in line with expectations?”
- Resources “How much time is being spent on the project?”
- Quality “Are we reviewing and fixing quality problems?”
- Progress on Activities “Are any action items outstanding?”
- Risk “Have we identified events or conditions that could impact the project’s objectives and made plans to address them?”

“ Project Execution Plans do what you could not do without them.

Yogi Berra

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