

My Recipe for Leadership

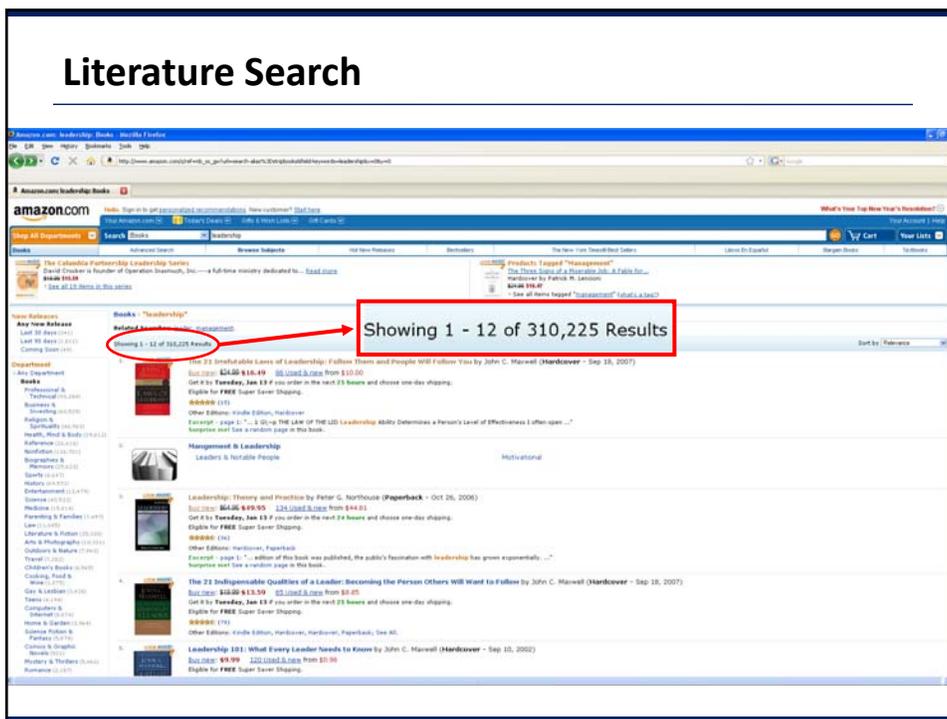
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Searching for a Definition

- **Leader:**
 - A person or thing that leads, guides, or conducts
 - A person who directs an army, movement, or group
 - A person who has commanding authority or influence
- **Not very helpful!**

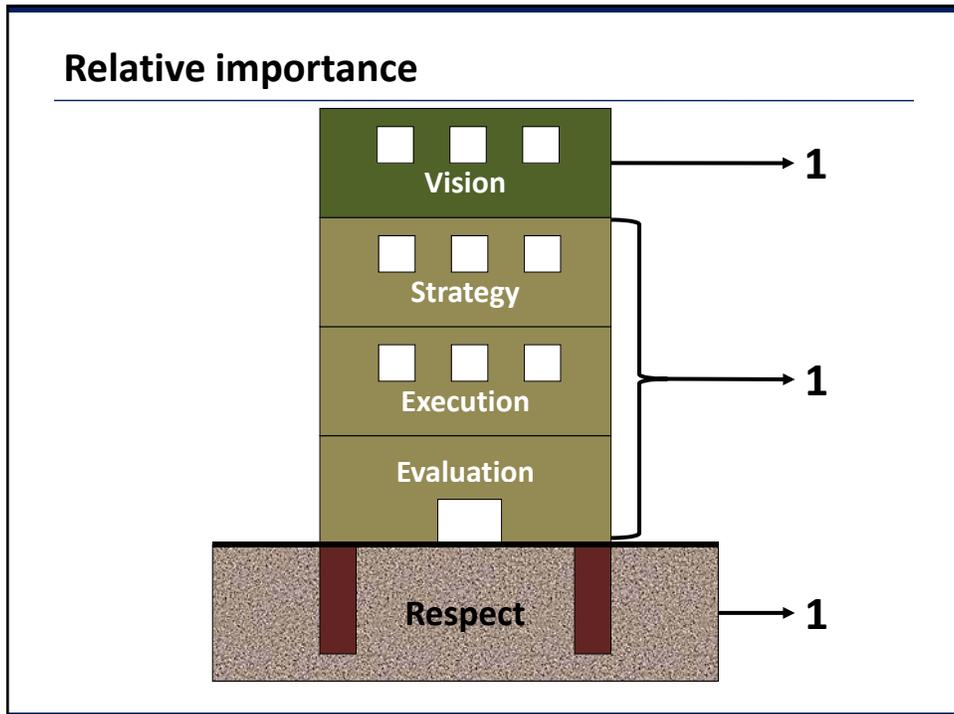
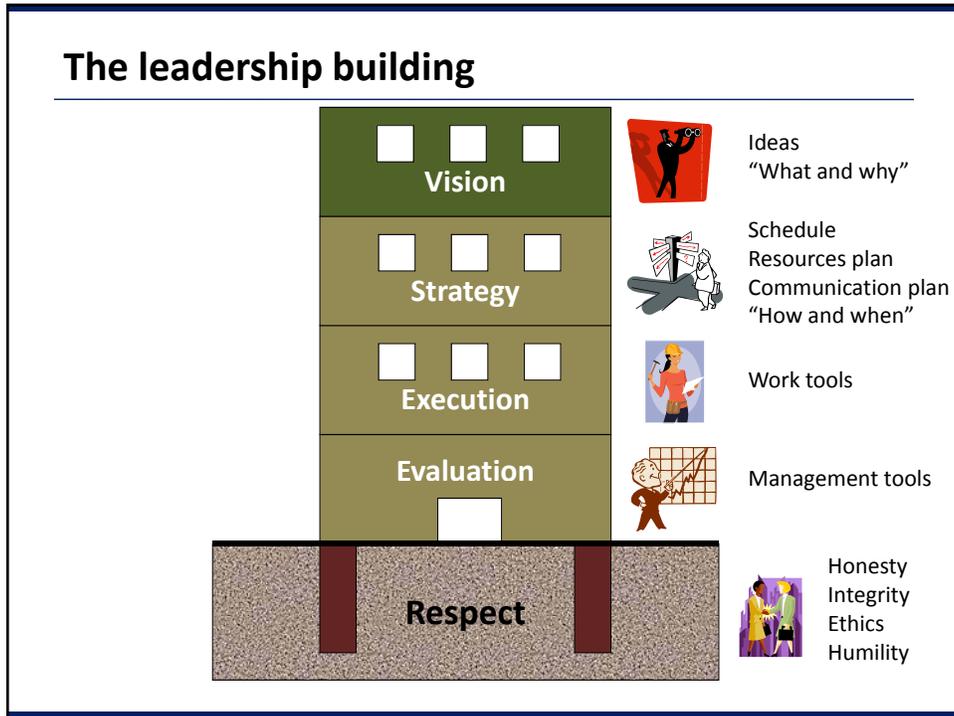
Literature Search



Excerpts

- “The higher the leadership, the greater the effectiveness.”
- “Leadership is a process whereby an individual influences a group of individuals to achieve a common goal.”
- “Great leaders move us. They ignite our passion and inspire the best in us.”
- Somewhat helpful

An Engineer’s Recipe To Building Leadership

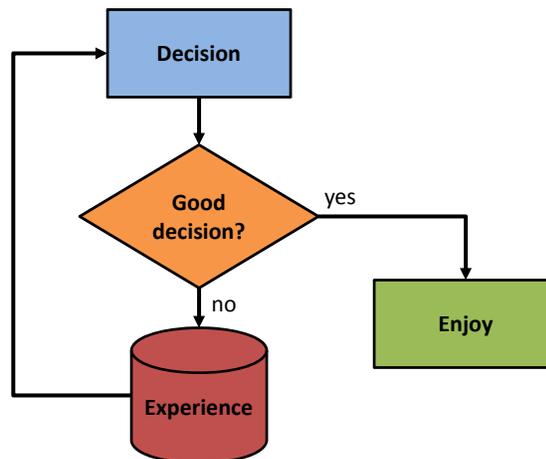


Where do I find the “ingredients?”

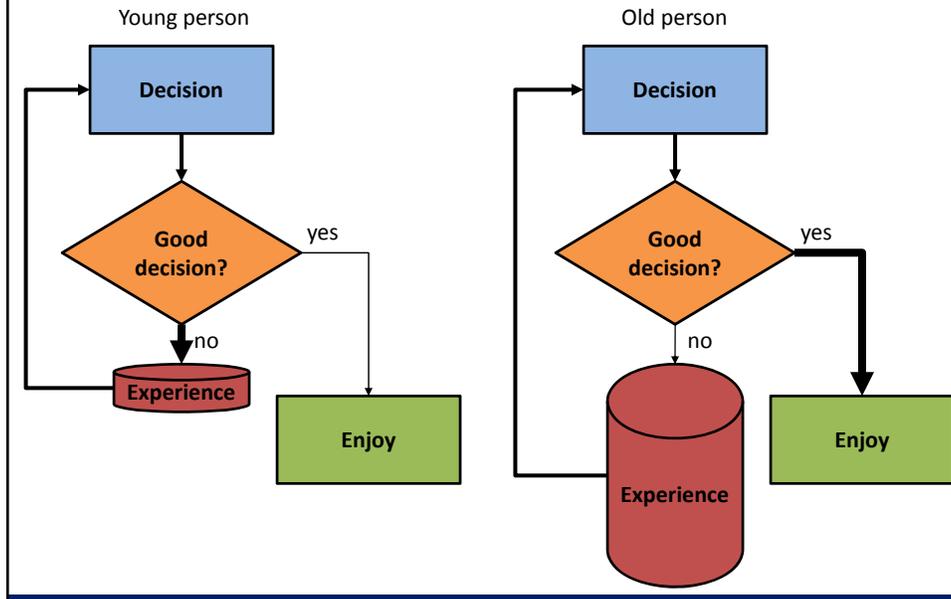
- Vision
 - Mentoring
 - Trial and error (“experience”)
- Strategy, Execution, Evaluation
 - Formal education
 - Coaching
- Respect
 - Can you guess?

Experience

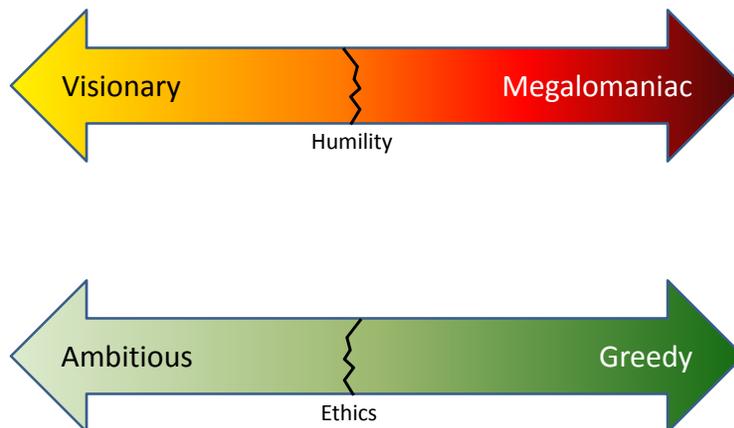
- What you need to make good decisions
- What you get by making bad decisions



The only advantage of getting old...



Respect: the “foundation” ingredient



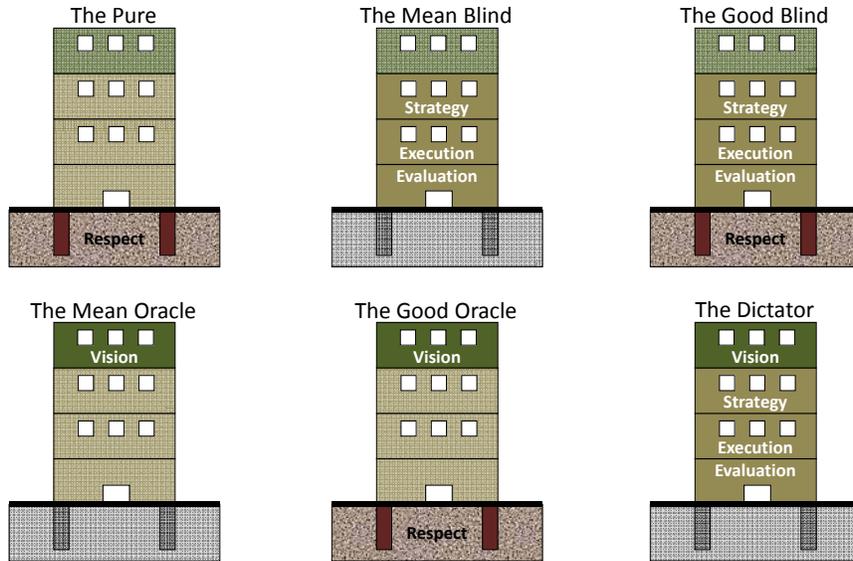
Some random thoughts

- Ben Parker
 - “With great power comes great responsibility.”
- Bergerman’s corollary
 - “The more power you have, the more sparingly you should use it.”
- Little Prince
 - “You are responsible, forever, for what you have tamed.”
- Garbage collection
 - Follow-up!
- Quantum humility

On Responsibility

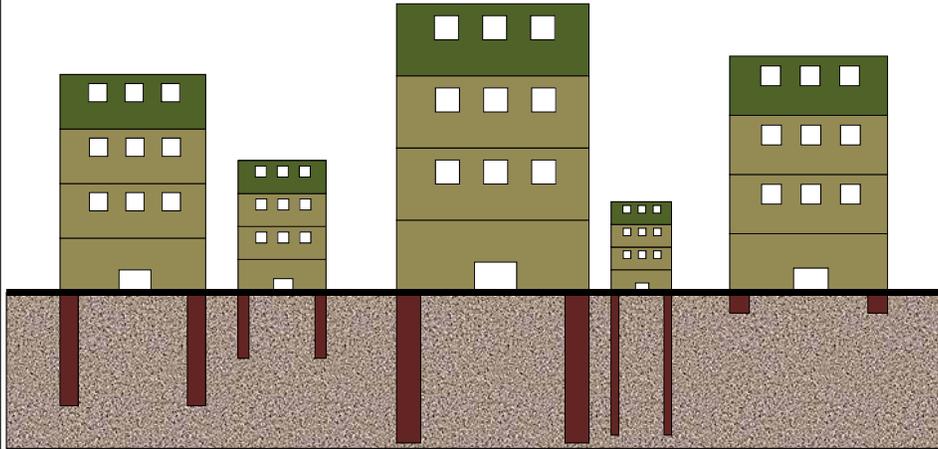
- People generalize too easily
- You are an ambassador to...
 - Yourself
 - Your family
 - Your country
 - Your profession
 - Your school
 - Your team
 - Your faith
 - Your race
- You have the power to open opportunities for a lot of people you will never meet
 - And to close them as well
- Be the one to break the generalization cycle

Pseudo-Leaders: How To Deal With Them

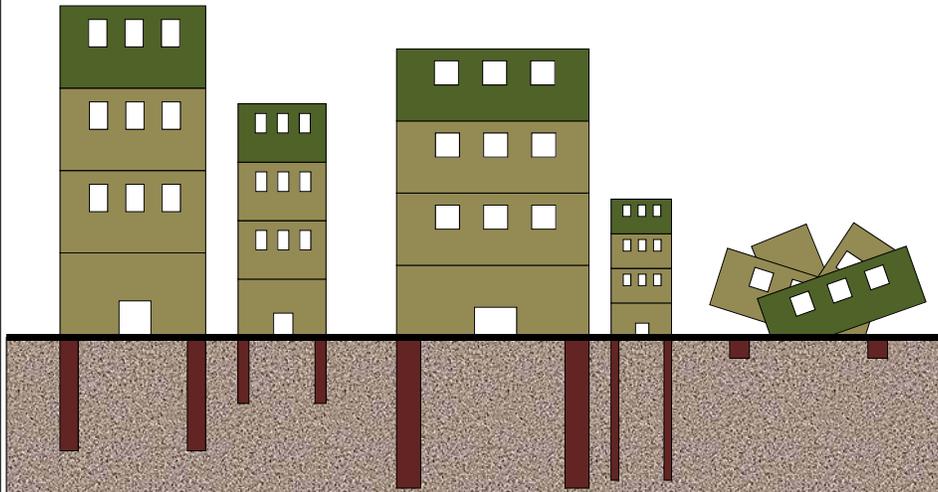


Growing as a Leader

The Leadership City, Today



The Leadership City, 2020



Some not-so-random thoughts

- No “natural born” leaders
- To be a leader you don’t need a grandiose job
 - Family leader
 - Sports team leader
 - Neighborhood leader
 - Company leader
- Leaders can “grow” with time
- No “good” leaders or “bad” leaders

Leadership and You

- With the right foundation, anyone can be a leader
- You don’t need to be the president of the USA to be called a leader or to become one
 - Leaders are desperately needed everywhere
- Have a grand vision?
 - Make a plan
 - Gather the resources to execute it
 - Assess progress and replan if necessary
 - Be respectful
- Don’t have a grand vision?
 - Start with a small one
 - Grow to the level of leadership you feel comfortable with

Still don't know where to start?

Become your own life's leader!

Thank you

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