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Great Start Evaluations

What did you like?

- Great ambiance, incredible discussion, informative presentation, hands-on exercises.
- Group of invited agencies, knowledge of Mark.
- Materials / PPTs; agency-specific activities; presenter / presentation; resources for reference.
- Differing activities; engagement with our team; opportunity to get away from the office.
- Great information; learned a lot more than I thought.
- Learning the basics first; Haiku mission; exercise about lines of business.
- Cognitive thinking and teamwork exercises.
- Learning a new vocabulary; examples to illustrate concepts; style of presentation; AV aids.
- I enjoyed the variety of methods used during instruction (video, discussions that were not overwhelming); the meaningful topics; pace of activities with options to reduce break time that was scheduled.
- Mark's enthusiasm, humor, and knowledge; use of media clips and movies; addressing the agency values; dissecting agencies purpose, customer, and advantage.
- The manner of presentation that involved video, scenarios, and real life situations.
- Great presentation; material and web tools very helpful, group work was good.
- Excellent presentation skill; the presentation built upon itself nicely; great videos!
- Enthusiastic presenter; good at challenging participants in a positive way.

What didn't you like?

- Some slides were/are "full".
- Activities were a little rushed.
- Some of the discussion seemed drawn out.
- It's a little difficult / uncomfortable to have some of these conversations in the company of other agencies that could be considered "rivals" or competitors.
- Room was very cold at first, but became bearable once temp adjusted.
- The room was too cold in the morning; thanks for adjusting.
- There were some concepts I didn't understand; nothing about content, style of presentation that I disliked.
- Honestly I liked it all.
- It was honestly really good.

What would you like?

- To see the picture of our agency once working through the program.
- Some pre-class notice on expectations.
- Better chairs.
- More interaction during morning hours, as the structure for afternoons. Coffee during afternoon or tea.
- Nothing additional.
- A little more time for group work.
- Learning more about different planning such as scenario planning.
- More case studies, helps to relate.
- Pizza.
- The opportunity for more organizational time.
- Illustrations / examples (even more!).
- Your help in a more in-depth look into our finances.

Is there anything else you'd like to say?

- Great timing while considering our future opportunities.
- Great skills; thank you for your excellent presentation.
- Thank you for breakfast and lunch.
- Overall very informative.
- Great facilitation; keep us engaged.
- Far exceeded expectations.
- Mark is a great facilitator.
- I would've liked the longer breaks since it becomes difficult to continue sitting after several hours.
- Looking forward to the next session.



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Great Ideas Evaluation

What did you like?

- Mark's energy! Great information! Great process to move group forward.
- Super engaging day – lots of powerful and useful information
- Change in meeting space; created more energy.
- The entire session was great.
- Loved all the strategies for decision making, culling the data.
- Team building exercises, playing off ideas.
- Videos, breaks, method of presentation.
- Learning the BAM process; still enjoy Mark's energy and knowledge; room 449 was a better atmosphere.
- Very interesting and meaningful discussions and activities throughout the day. I am excited about the impact it will have on our organization.
- All the ideation; tool and ideas,

What didn't you like?

- Very troubling to hear one group drooped out – this has impacted our participation.
- Throwing away plastic bottles.
- Same lunch; out of your control, but the group abruptly choosing to withdraw.
- Doing some of the activities ahead of time.
- Sometimes needed a little more time to brainstorm.
- It's too cold in here.
- I didn't like not knowing what room the meeting was changed to this morning.
- Room was too cold and same lunch as last time.

What would you like?

- More time to work on our ideas.
- Recycling. Pizza (No. Really. I would love it, and it's economical! Try to get it from Edgewood Pizzeria. It's a locally owned – delicious – pizzeria.)
- More interactive activities.
- Temperature control.

What should I have asked you that I didn't?

- Time frame needed to implement ideas.
- You had it covered.



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Great Strategies Evaluation

What did you like?

- Peer reviewed presentation; hands-on assistance from Mark. It is clear that Mark wants to see us succeed and is willing to provide assistance for us to do so.
- Going over the presentations to get feedback and ideas.
- Time to regroup/work together; trial presentations were very useful.
- The manner in which the theories, etc. were presented. Simple and easy to follow.
- Being able to rehearse the presentations to get feedback and ideas from others.
- Enjoyed observing presentations and feedback from participants and leader.
- Presentations – great learning experience; food was great – thank you!
- Good coaching and time for practice.
- Constructive feedback; the opportunity to practice; great advice on content.
- Still love the videos. Like the feedback.
- The feedback from all the group on the presentation.
- The overview of the presentation with the group to flush out ideas was extremely helpful.

What didn't you like?

- Not applicable – The process is extremely helpful and meaningful.
- The pizza . . . kidding; all good.
- Need more time on exercises.
- Morning session had many exercise that were somewhat redundant.
- There was nothing I disliked.
- Would've preferred staying a full day Thursday to give more time for coaching on presentations.
- Don't love the Prezi medium, could use more instruction on how to develop presentation prior to today.

What would you like?

- A little more clarity on presentations. If Mark provided a step-by-step walk through of the Prezi, it would have helped. Having the template was great, but a walk through would have enhanced it.
- More clarity on the presentations earlier on.
- My expectations have been exceeded.
- I'm good thanks.
- More direction on final presentation but we will with Mark one on one when he returns.
- Demo or tutorial on Prezi software.
- More advice on 990s.

- More instruction on presentations.
- Wish there was more time to put into presentations and reports.

Anything else?

- Great job! Thank you for the experience.
- Room was cold.
- This has been such an incredible learning opportunity. So engaging and useful and fun.
- I would like mark to come back to Atlanta soon!



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Great to Go Evaluation

What did you like?

- Loved the flow of classes and keeping us engaged.
- The energy, flow of creativity.
- The opportunity to present to funders and receive feedback.
- Doing the presentation; having time to practice.
- Coaching and time to rehearse for the presentation.
- This workshop series was amazing. What I like most is Mark's energy and willingness to go above and beyond to assist us and ensure that we had a smooth and successful process.
- Blanks in the packet to complete as the lecture went on. Lecturer's energy.
- I came to each session excited to learn.
- Start to finish: the entire experience.
- Excellent class – managing change and the board information. Great presentations, the questions were excellent and great tools for all of us to use.

What didn't you like?

- Was a lot of work that sometimes felt overwhelming – but no regrets.
- All of the gradients in the Power Point.
- Sad video clips that make us cry.
- Pizza
- Nothing, wish we had more time

What would you like?

- To be able to reach out to Mark when questions arise. Mark provided contact information and we look forward to future communication.
- More chances to learn from Mark Light. More opportunities for sister organizations to get together and collaborate.
- More opportunities to work collectively with other agencies doing work for the same community. I really like your idea to have workshop then coaching.
- Less clutter on the slides.
- Additional coaching sessions.
- Cookies

Anything else?

- Thanks for the extra time to practice.
- Thank so very much, Mark! I learned a great deal as a result of your instruction and tutelage – Pam Dorsett
- Everything is great.
- Thank you very much for the experience; it has been a pleasure to work with you.
- An invitation to dinner parties.
- Thanks for the pizza.
- Thanks for being great. You made a big impact on my perception of our work.
- Bring Mark back soon!