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*A Course for Leaders,  
Teams and Individuals*

# Six Thinking Hats®

***Imagine it. Your team has the skills and techniques they need to make the best decision. Fast. Smart. Efficient.***

It's not impossible. In fact, it's simple. Once they know how. That's where Dr. Edward de Bono's *Six Thinking Hats®* comes in.

This systematic method of thinking in a completely new and different way will provide your employees with skills and tools that they can apply immediately! See results in days, not months.

It is a simple, effective technique that helps them become more productive. You and your team members can learn how to separate thinking into six distinct categories. Each category is identified with its own colored metaphorical "thinking hat." By mentally wearing and switching "hats," you can easily focus or redirect thoughts, the conversation, or the meeting.

The difference between brilliant and mediocre teams isn't so much in their collective mental capacity, but in how well they can tap into their collective wisdom and how well they function together.



**After your team learns the skills behind the Six Thinking Hats® system, they'll:**

- Hold critical meetings without emotions or egos making bad decisions
- Avoid the easy but mediocre decisions by knowing how to dig deeper
- Increase productivity and even more important – be more effective
- Make creative solutions the norm
- Maximize and organize each person's thoughts and ideas
- Get to the right solution quickly and with a shared vision

## ***The Six Thinking Hats (or modes)***

### ***The White Hat***

The White Hat calls for information known or needed.

### ***The Red Hat***

The Red Hat signifies feelings, hunches, and intuition.

### ***The Black Hat***

The Black hat is judgment—the devil's advocate or why something may not work.

### ***The Yellow Hat***

The Yellow hat symbolizes brightness and optimism.

### ***The Green Hat***

The Green hat focuses on creativity: the possibilities, alternatives, and new ideas.

### ***The Blue Hat***

The Blue Hat is used to manage the thinking process.

  
**de Bono Thinking Systems**

Practical • Radical • Innovative

## Edward de Bono's Six Thinking Hats® Workshop

What would the benefits be for you, or your business, if the following were to happen?

- Shorter, more productive meetings
- Enhanced collaboration and teamwork
- Increased creativity and innovation
- Focused thinking for individuals and teams

This one day workshop will provide you with simple, practical tools that you can apply immediately in your business. The tools we share will help you think differently, approach challenges and opportunities in new ways and be more effective in how you work with others.

Our next workshop will be held on:

**Thursday 28 June 2018 (9am to 4pm)**  
**@ EFS Accounting, 56 Leach Street, New Plymouth**

Investment: \$600 (plus GST). NZTE Capability Vouchers available

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*We held facilitated strategy sessions to ensure we were applying the Six Thinking Hat Process effectively with our NZ Business. This structured approach led to much more creative thinking than in previous sessions and enabled the team to stay focused and cover significantly more ground.*  
*Ian Skipworth (General Manager, Nexans NZ)*

*Experiencing the wonderful 'Dr Edward de Bono's Thinking Hats Course' has reignited & strengthened my knowledge of this superb management, thinking, problem solving & teaching tool.*  
*B.R. Rees (Teacher/Associate Principal, Merrilands School)*

*Great training, very practical. I liked that it was quick (just one day) and I walked away with a valuable new skill I know I can confidently use.*  
*Kate Matheson (General Manager, START Taranaki)*

*The Six Thinking Hats has provided me with a structured approach that we can use in situations across our organisation.*  
*Megan Brown (TSB Showplace Coordinator, New Plymouth District Council)*

