

Managing Your Energy, Not Your Time

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Agenda

1. The impact of stress, unpredictability and change

2. Time management vs. Energy management

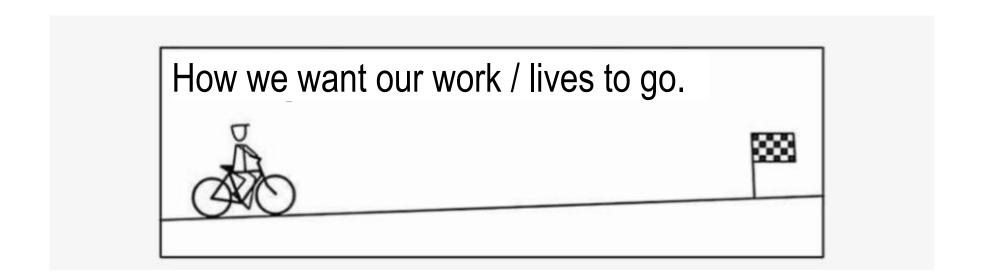
3. Ways to recovery / energy

4. Employee and Leader resources



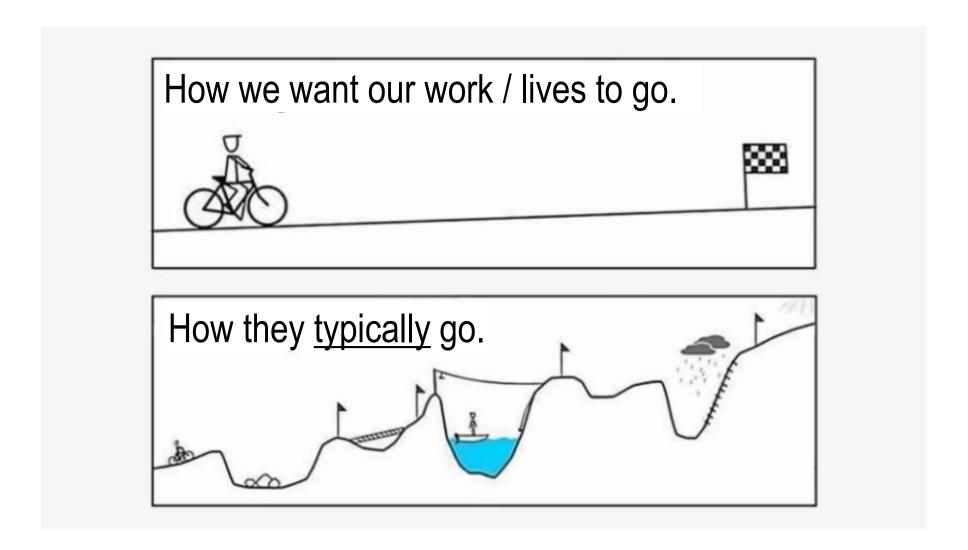
















Stress and Burnout

Stress is a *natural response* to any demand, positive or negative, placed upon an individual...

...becoming problematic when there is an imbalance between demands placed on us and our ability to tolerate and recover.

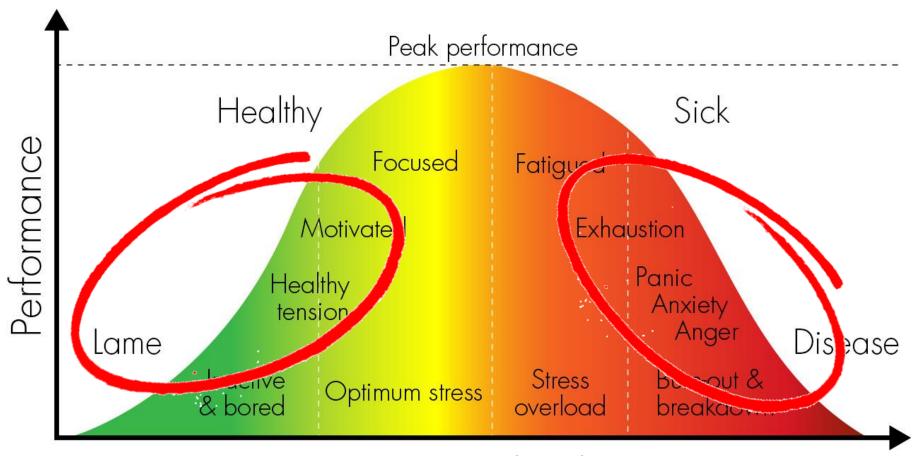
Burnout is a term often used to describe the symptoms we experienced after periods of prolonged, unmanaged stress.



"A job without stress isn't a job."





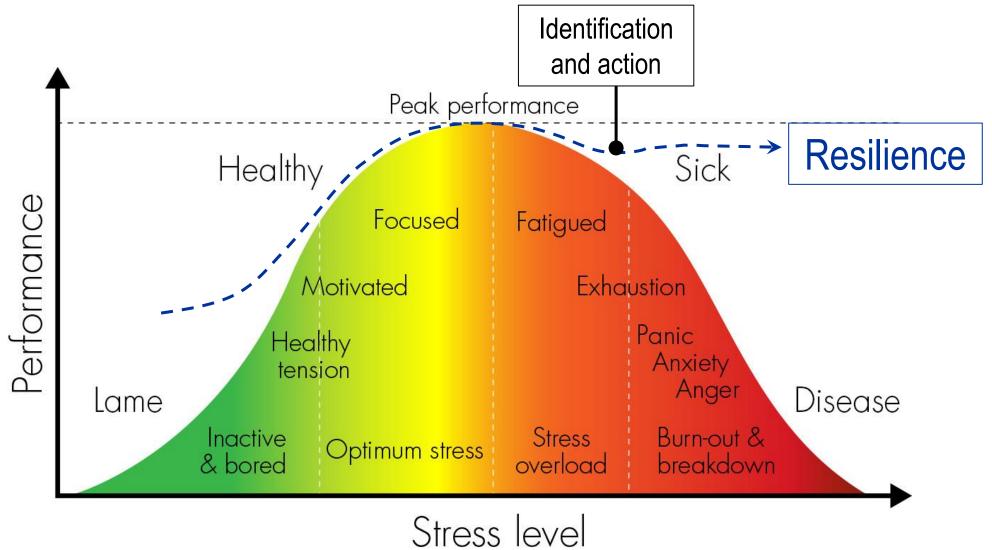


Stress level

Yerkes Dodson Law (1908)







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Managing time vs. Managing energy

- Under stress, many will work harder and longer trying to manage time. (some will quit, too)
- Time is a finite resource, and often not within our control.
- *Energy* is our capacity to work. It's how effective we are during the time we use.
- Unlike time, energy can be expanded by practicing specific behaviors that should eventually become unconscious rituals.

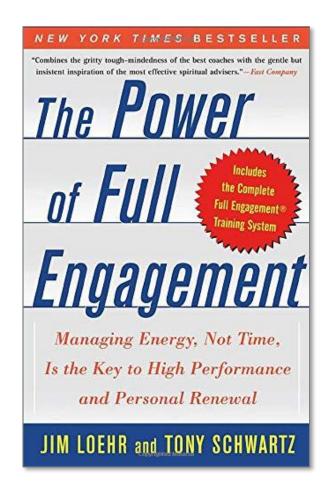






"Energy, not time, is the fundamental currency of high performance."

"The goal is to build the necessary capacity to sustain high performance in the face of increasing demand."









Let's level-set with a quick energy management self check.

True or False...









I wake up still feeling tired and fuel my day with food or caffeine.







I work several hours straight until I get tired.







I schedule myself back-to-back all day.









I frequently get "hangry."







I occasionally feel hungover from drinking too much.







Sometimes I have a "food coma" after eating a big lunch.









I worry about the future and/or dwell on the past.







I often feel unmotivated or procrastinate too much.







I get easily distracted at work by personal stress or relationship problems at home.







I spend too much time on social media in the middle of the day.







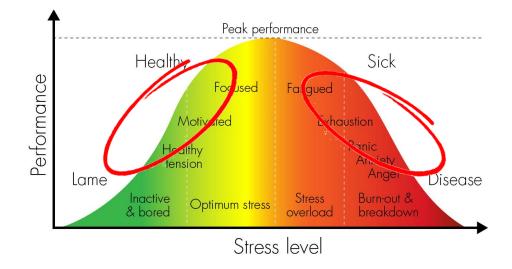
Did you answer "true" to any of these?





Failure to manage energy can result in:

- Reduced focus and memory
- Loss of motivation and engagement
- Errors, accidents/injuries
- Irritability, anxiety, mood swings
- Loss of confidence
- Physical symptoms: increase BP, sleep disruption, fatigue
- Substance use, overeating, compulsive behaviors







Strategies for Managing Energy





Sources of Energy



Physical: Nutrition, sleep, exercise, rest.



Mental: Realistic optimism, creativity, time management



Emotional / Social skills and connections, self-confidence, **Social:** challenge, self-control, empathy



Spiritual / Values, motivation, passion, courage, Purpose conviction, integrity, honesty





Sources of Energy



Physical



Mental



Emotional / Social



Spiritual / Purpose



90 - 120 Minute Ultradian Rhythm





Rapid Recovery Rituals

We need **long-term** strategies and **daily** rituals that use the 4 sources of energy to help us recover throughout the day:

- 1. After 90 minutes of continuous focus
- 2. As soon as we sense signs of fatigue, irritability or exhaustion













Energy Balance Sheet

What drains your energy each day?	Rapid recovery rituals.					
•	Physical	Mental				
•	•	•				
•	•	•				
•	•	•				
•	•	•				
•	Emotional	Spiritual				
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Long Term Strategies for Energy Management

Balancing energy use with energy renewal

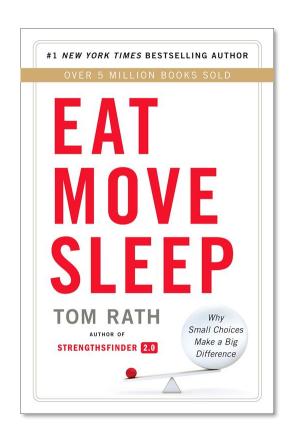




Physical Energy Building Rituals

Nutrition, sleep, exercise, rest.

- 1. 7 hours of sleep. Go to be early, get up early.
- 2. Nutrient dense, low carb diet. Small meals with healthy snacks.
- 3. 150 minutes of moderately intense exercise per week.
- 4. Drink plenty of water throughout the day.
- 5. Healthcare: preventative care and managing chronic illness.







Mental Energy Building Rituals

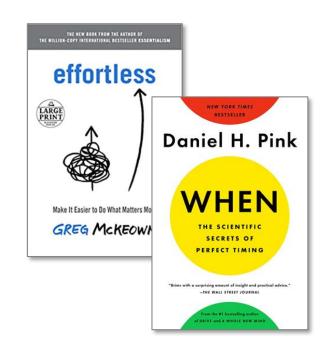
Realistic optimism, creativity, time management

- 1. Take breaks at least every 90 minutes. Find time to "shut off" every day.
- 2. Find the heaviest thing you can pick up and carry it.
- 3. Close your day on a good note. Reflect on accomplishments and prep for tomorrow.
- Manage your space, time and technology. Segment stop/start times and non-scheduled activities like emails. Don't multi-task.

Deep work in the morning: high energy, analytical tasks.

Inner work mid morning: strategic and dynamic activities once your brain has slowed down.

Tactical work in the afternoon: rote and mundane.



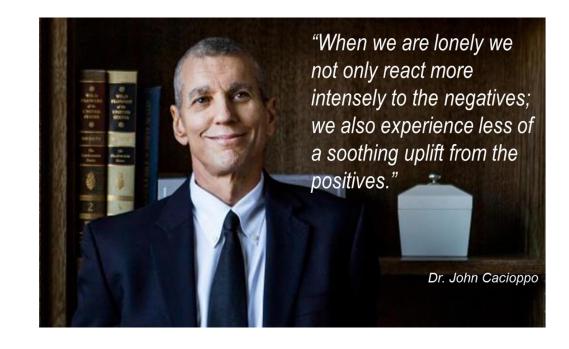




Emotional Energy Building Rituals

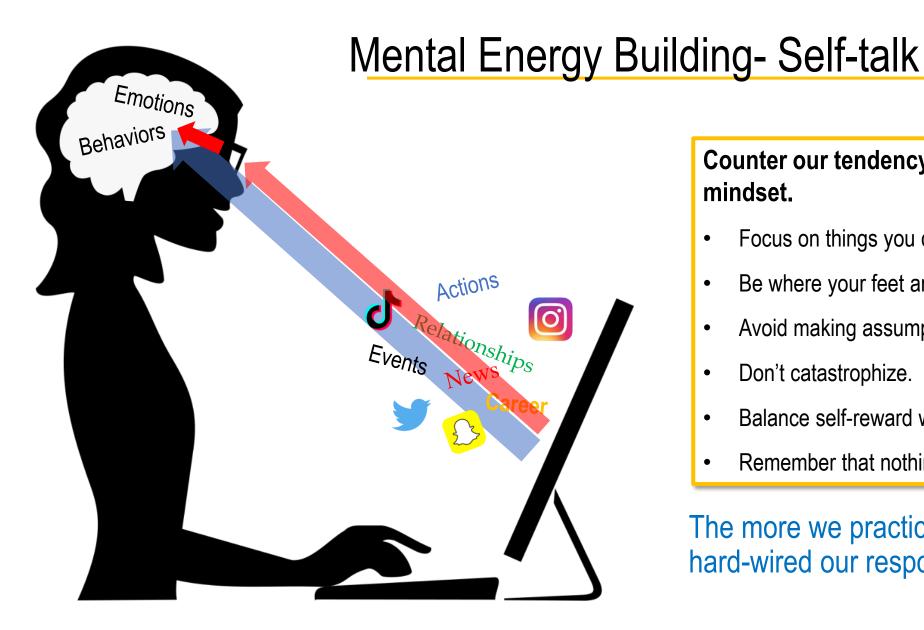
Social skills and connections, self-confidence, challenge, self-control, empathy

- 1. Choose your emotion. Slow down. Put a little space between what happens and how you choose to react.
- 2. Invest time in things you enjoy (and that make you, you).
- 3. Build your empathy muscles. Express recognition and appreciation.
- 4. Nurture and repair relationships.
- 5. Master your self-talk









Counter our tendency toward a negative, irrational mindset.

- Focus on things you can control.
- Be where your feet are. Stay present-focused.
- Avoid making assumptions.
- Don't catastrophize. Find the positive.
- Balance self-reward with self-criticism.
- Remember that nothing is perfect.

The more we practice using our filter, the more hard-wired our responses become.





Thought Log

Event	Emotion / Behavior	Thought or "self-talk"	Identify the irrational thought	Counterstatement- new healthier thought
Received "constructive" feedback from my supervisor on a project I've been working on.	Disappointed. Sad. Anxious about job performance.	"Nothing I do is right. I'm going to job fail. I am not qualified for a job at this level."	Overgeneralization. Catastrophizing. All-or-nothing thinking. Perfectionism: I must be perfect and always look competent.	"I'm not perfect. I'm still learning. Coaching can be hard to hear, but it will help me improve. It's all part of the learning process."





Spiritual Energy Building Rituals

Motivation, values, purpose, passion, courage, conviction, integrity, honesty

- 1. List your personal values.
- 2. Know your "why" and motivation (line-of-sight) for your choices and your job role.
- 3. List your passions and how they fit into your life (or don't).
- 4. Set personal in addition to work goals.







Energy Building Accountability Log

Make a list of energy building rituals that include all 4 sources of energy (physical, mental, emotional and spiritual). Rate yourself daily (1- not successful, 5 very successful). Add notes about obstacles and learning moments.

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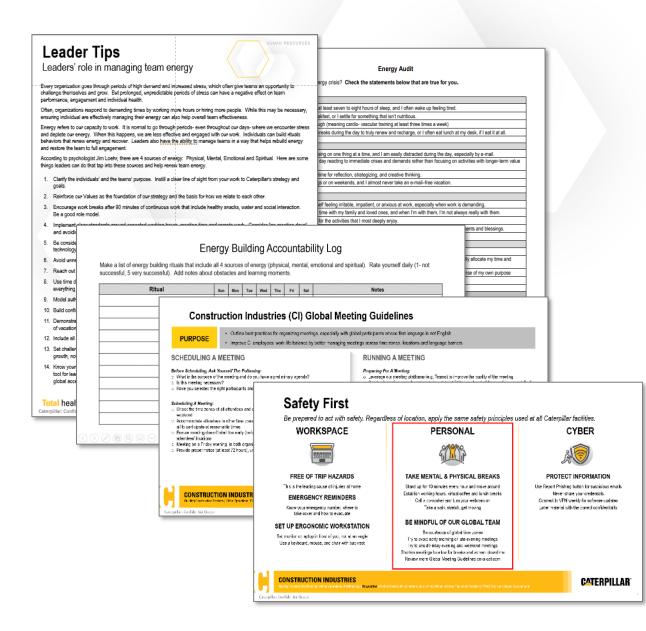
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Call mom during drive 1-2x / week.								
Set timer on phone to get up.								
Pack healthy snacks.								
Finish bottle of water.								
Check in with college friends.								
Log off by 5:00pm								
Exercise before work 5x / week.								
Random IMs to team daily.								
Visit values list daily.								
Write in journal 5 minutes daily.								
In bed by 10:00pm			_			_		





Additional learning resources

- <u>Totalhealth.cat.com</u> > A-Z Library
- Handout
- Energy Audit
- Accountability log
- Cl example slides
- WD training and materials: Emotional Intelligence, Viewpoint Diversity, Growth Mindset







Employee Assistance Program (EAP)



Personal support for a variety of challenges, before they impact your lives at work or at home.



There is no cost to use the EAP



Regular full and part time Caterpillar employees and their eligible family members.*



Yes. EAP is completely confidential. No one at Caterpillar will ever know you have used the EAP.



- Clinical assessment, counseling, referrals
- Information, consultation and referrals
- Organizational support



Most employees self-refer to EAP. But leaders can play an essential role in helping employees get support by making EAP referrals.

^{*} Local eligible of family members will vary. Check with your HR representative.





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Q&A



