Real People Making Real Decisions

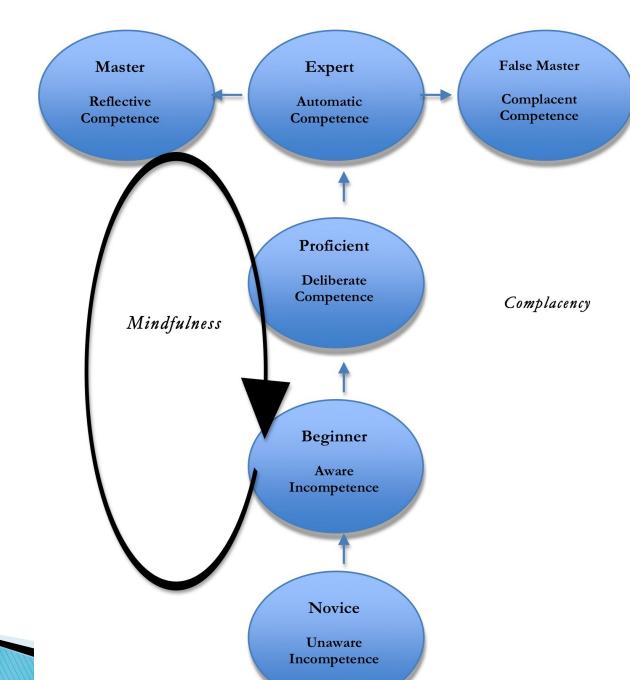
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Outcomes

- Decision-making and judgment is the important risk management stuff.
- We have learned a lot about decision-making in recent decades.
- Coaching, common vocabulary and simple structures help navigate a complex topic.
- To help people make decisions with clear observations and understandings of how decisions were made.

Levels of ExpertiseNoviceBeginnerCompetentExpertUnconsciousConsciousConsciousSubconsciousIncompetentIncompetentCompetentCompetent



Decision-making Kind v Wicked Environments

Kind Wicked

Exacting

Relevant

Lenient

Irrelevant

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How We Make Decisions

System 1

- Automatic.
- Quick, little or no effort.
- No sense of voluntary control.
- Pattern recognition, heuristics, intuition.

How We Make Decisions

System 2

- Effortful mental activities.
- The reasoning self with beliefs and choices.
- Affected by attention and distraction

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Myths of Decision Making

Decision biases distort our thinking.

- Heuristics and biases help us think.
- Experts use effective heuristics.
- Novices use ineffective or inappropriate heuristics.

From Gary Klein "Streetlights and Shadows"

Myths of Decision Making

Successful decisions rely on logic and statistics instead of intuition.

- Works for well-ordered tasks, some tasks too complex or time sensitive.
- We need both approaches.

Generate and compare several options.

- Most decisions not made in this manner.
- Analytical method is often an illusion.
- May not work in a complex changing world.

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Myths of Decision Making

Reduce uncertainty by gathering more information.

- Our ability to gather information has over whelmed our ability to make sense of it.
- More data often leads to indecision.
- Experts use fewer than five cues to make judgments.

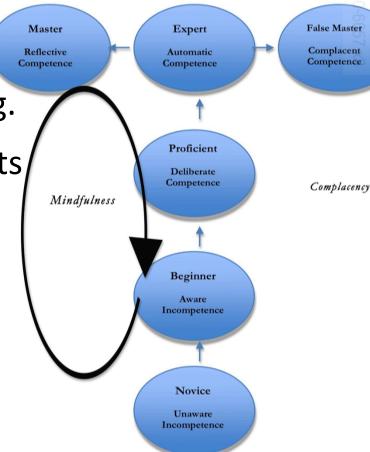
- Feedback works only when the conditions are straightforward. Unfortunately, most of our learning environments are wicked.
- Learn to connect consequences with actions, to sort the relevant and the coincidental causal threads.
- Sense-making is at the heart of decision making.

The ability to observe ourselves in the midst of the complexity and chaos of the moment.

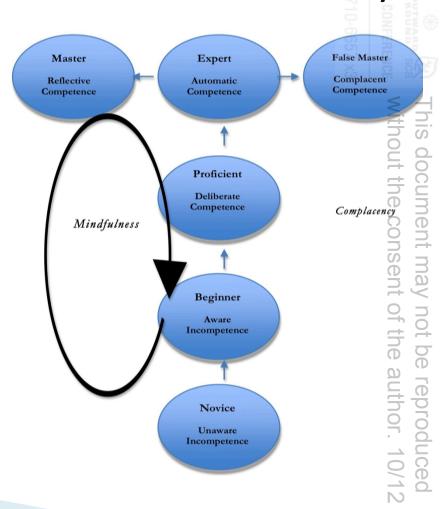
 Awareness of how we are thinking, observing and feeling.

 Curiosity to examine the effects of our actions.

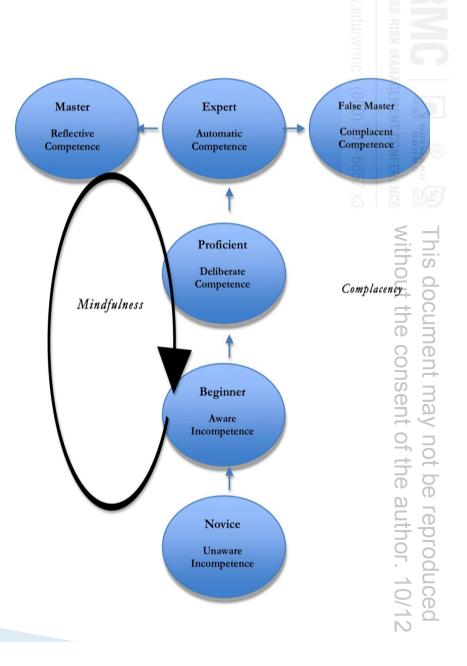
 Willingness to use those observations to improve.

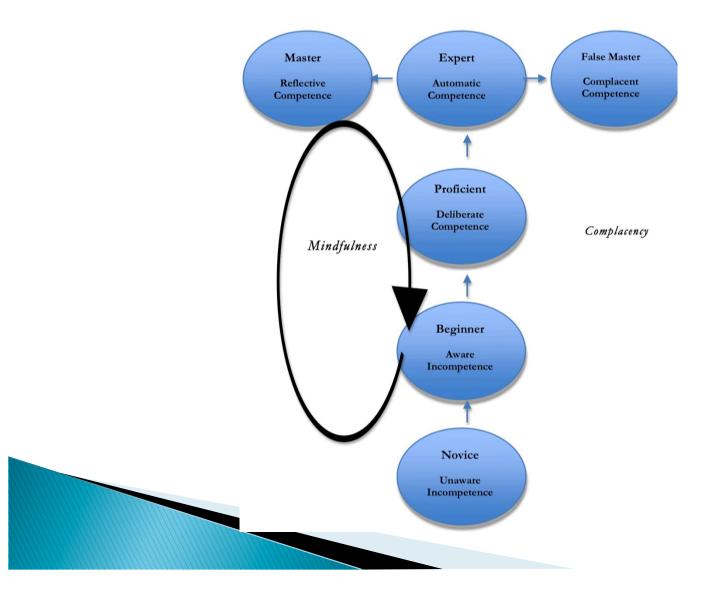


- See the uniqueness in a situation.
- See facts as conditional and embrace uncertainty.
- Separate interpretations of data from the raw data?
- Did I ignore data?
- What is different?
- Assumptions?
- Biases?



- Multiple and opposing perspectives.
- Be open, curious, flexible and present when faced with anxiety, uncertainty and chaos.
- Rituals.
- Repetitive training.
- Ultimately each leader must prepare in their own way to be calm in crisis.



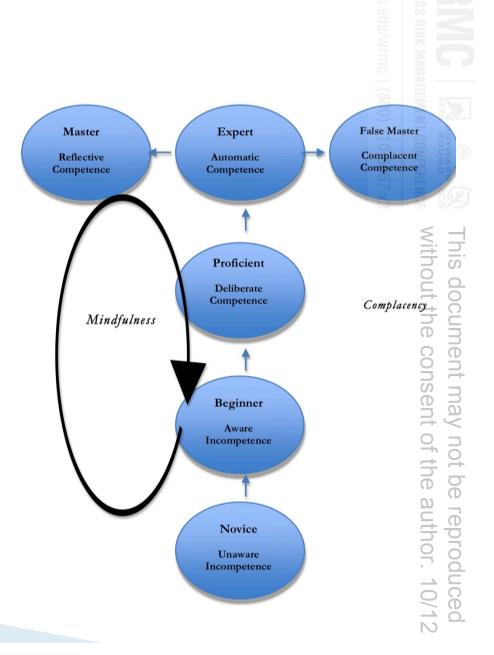


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The end

- Identify the information we choose to consider
- its veracity,
- the traps we're staring into,
- and our distractions.



Hazards in Decision Making

"What do I know?"

Incomplete mastery of skills and knowledge.

The illusion of knowledge.

• Miscommunication.

Hazards in Decision Making

"What did I see?

- Pattern Recognition Errors.
- Illusion of Attention.
- Illusory Causation.

Hazards in Decision Making

"What was I thinking?"

- Selection Bias, Confirmatory Bias
- Premature closure
- Emotional Hooks

The Learning Structure: Kind and Wicked Environments Kind Wicked **Consequence of Errors** Exacting Relevant-exacting Irrelevant-exacting Relevant-lenient Irrelevant-lenient Lenient Irrelevant Relevant **Quality of Feedback**

The Learning Environment Kind v Wicked Environments

