



POWER THINKING

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Today's Managers and Business Leaders need to be more switched on than ever – alight with bright ideas and innovative ways to tackle problems and find creative solutions. You can use the old 'tried and true' methods, sure - or, let us make you "even better" by attending Eric Frangenheim's "**Power Thinking**" workshop designed specifically for Managers, Team Leaders and anyone in a position where insight and creative thinking are valued and expected. Do you want to get some good thinking and action from your meetings? Overcome creative blocks with clear cut, concrete benefits from experiencing and utilizing over 14 strategies designed specifically to help you 'think outside the square' and see opportunities, potentials and solutions to improve you and your Team's productivity and success. Eric passionately believes that good thinking comes from good direction and good processes. That is exactly what you will leave this workshop with. Gain a creative advantage...and gain a number of new strategies to power your way forward to better creativity and results.



COURSE CONTENT

POWER THINKING - HARNESS THE CREATIVITY



Breaking the bonds of Meeting Madness

Power Thinking! Thinking Outside The Square! Dynamic Thinking! Call it what you will, but this Seminar, run by Eric Frangenheim, is one of the best on offer to provide you with fresh, new, innovative ways to "think outside the square" and ensure your meeting material is truly understood and absorbed by your audience and 'brainstorming' for solutions and ideas encompasses your entire team with productive results.

Eric has been running these highly successful and much loved seminars for Mindworks for some years now, and participants leave raving about their newly acquired skills and how much they will instantly benefit from them. Discover the secrets to higher order thinking and problem solving and learn how our strategies can harness the thinking power and therefore produce innovative creativity from your entire team – not just the 'vocal few'.

This seminar is perfect for:

- **Managers** looking to improve the level of interest, input and participation in meetings with their staff that will lead to more successful creative outcomes.

- **Facilitators** seeking innovative skills to help draw the best in creative thinking from their groups.
- **Trainers** looking for ways to achieve higher level learning for their audiences

Eric will deliver a hands-on presentation that will have you participating and experiencing his innovative tools to assist Manager, Facilitators and Trainers to get their teams working effectively together with:

- problem solving
- creative thinking
- information gathering
- brainstorming
- higher order learning, recall & retention of presented material

Participants who attend this workshop will learn to:

- **involve** everyone in the discussion
- **give** the introverts a go
- **excite** the team about the possibilities
- **make** staff and other meetings more effective
- **save** everyone's time and patience
- **improve** co-operation among staff members
- **discover** techniques to ensure each person will be heard (not just the vocal few)
- **improve** the level of discussion, debate and decision-making
- **how** to promote the conditions for objectivity and harness the energy that can arise from conflicting viewpoints
- **get** groups to focus on possibility thinking rather than negative blocks
- **foster** the "thinking" mind-set
- **make** work and everyday situations become so much easier.
- **create** "higher-order" thinking
- **produce** better results, products, effects and conclusions.



Over come creative blocks and get the thoughts 'flowing'. **Organize** creative impulses and make those random thoughts gel together. **Expand** and **refine** your creative ideas and don't let them fade away for want of a little fine-tuning – our strategies will show you just how to do that quickly and easily. And follow those ideas through to **fruition**, stand back, and watch your results soar!

Participants will be able call on at least 12 alternatives to brainstorming and able to pull out techniques whenever they need to get their groups to come up with new ideas and ways of thinking.

The will learn to use the **following techniques** to:

- improve meetings
- identify & hone into key points
- get groups working & thinking together - creatively & innovatively
- break topics and problems down more efficiently for further, in-depth analysis and

- creative problem solving
- employ new ways of sharing information, group to group
- improve & extend on gathered information
- ensure imparted subject matter is fully learned, understood and retained
- deliver content beyond the norm – higher level learning means higher level retention & understanding of content

Our processes include:

- Round Robin .
- Noisy Round Robin
- P.M.I .
- Decision Making Matrix
- K.W.L.
- 1:4:P:C:R
- Scavenger Hunt
- Hot Potato
- And many more....



This workshop also demonstrates how Facilitators can move from "showing" a group to "guiding" it gently to its conclusive result.

Any training that we do has to be practical, skills orientated and fun. We will “ walk the talk” so the participants will experience good processes which they, in turn, can adapt to their own training to make it even better than it is now.

The benefit of the training being in-house is that we can specifically looking at how the ideas can be utilized in your situation.

These tools are fun and if people are enjoying themselves they will learn and engage freely. But it's not all fun and games; our tools are serious strategies designed to get at the heart of any discussion, highlight key points and focus in on what your whole session is ultimately targeting.

Bring fun, excitement and a sense of victory to your meetings with these new Strategies - and **Power Think** your way to future success!

FACILITATOR

Eric Frangenheim started his teaching career in 1970 in Zimbabwe and has also taught in South Africa and Australia. He has held the positions of Head of Department (History), Deputy Principal, Education Adviser for Gifted & Talented Students in Central Queensland (1988–1992), Co-ordinator of G&T at an independent school for three years and has been Director of Rodin Education Consultancy since December 1995.

In 1999 he and Tony Ryan established E-Learning Australia Pty Ltd to develop The Lesson Planner, an on-line product to help teachers and general educators create better learning environments for their students. This product won the education category in the 2001 Asia-Pacific IT Awards and competed against nine other countries in Kuala Lumpur in September 2002.

Eric Frangenheim spends a lot of the year working in schools, presenting hands-on work shops which encourage the infusion of cognitive and cooperative thinking strategies in classrooms, curriculum and staff meetings. The basis for this work is contained in his first book, "Reflections on Classroom Thinking Strategies" now in it's 9th edition.

He is a regular presenter at state, national and international conferences, focusing on the promotion of effective thinking strategies. He also organises Extended Learning Program Vacation Schools in Brisbane for bright and enthusiastic Queensland students in June and September, Facilitating Business Seminars and Meetings:

Eric Frangenheim has been employed to assist presenters prepare more effective seminars and workshops and meetings, concentrating on the delivery and learning aspects of the presentations. The major focus has been in involving all participants in the learning process, ensuring a greater degree of transfer of seminar/workshop material into personal practice. His emphasis is on providing the "HOW" (i.e., the strategies) for the presenter's "WHAT" (i.e., the content).Introductory Workshop

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- "Thanks Eric for presenting a stimulating, thought provoking and interactive day." – Education Queensland
- "Invaluable in providing ideas that assist in involving all staff when input and decisions are crucial. It also assisted in understanding various learning behaviours and when to use them. I really enjoyed the interaction of the groups and also the art in getting groups to do all the work while the facilitator "sat back and enjoyed a coffee."
- "I will be recommending that other staff in my area attend future sessions."
- "All of it was amazing, it was SO adaptable to almost any industry I couldn't believe it! And we have already commenced working it into our daily training schedule. Thanks Guys!" - Mission Australia

- "The different options on brainstorming were most beneficial – we usually do the old sit around the table with butchers paper and a scribe and discuss. The tools that were given will help to make it fun, interesting, everyone will feel involved as well as delve down and come up with some really good brainstorming."
- Great presenter - very authentic, professional and fun.
- Highly informative and entertaining.
- Great enthusiasm and knowledge for realistic application
- Great day - it's given me a lot of practical ideas - Education Queensland

- Great tools and tactics that I can use every day at work and home. – Metro South Institute of TAFE
- This is a great course to engender excitement and new ideas when you are stuck and your work issues need to be looked at differently. It will help our team to succeed.
- All of the strategies were great to experience and participate in.
- I'd like to be able to practice more but time is limited - would love 2 days!
- I'm a slow learner! Excellent idea generating tools for trainers - Fabulous trainer, you've inspired me Eric!
- Time flew, Eric, you kept me engaged all day. Well done and thank you.
- Great and innovative tools which will help me facilitate training & meetings. – Dept. Immigration.