

THE SCIENCE AND ART OF ASKING QUESTIONS



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- A structure = a framework where you place the information you hear.
- The framework is empty when you begin the conversation.
- Place the data you collect into the framework.
- Form a picture of what's happening in the other person's world.



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- When information gaps, contradictions, and circular loops show up, ask questions!
- Place answers in the framework & observe what changes. And if more questions are needed.

NLP Tools:

- Conversational Frames
- SCORE Model
- Logical Levels





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- Use linguistics.
- When we pay attention to how the other person speaks, their words and sentence patterns can tell us a lot.



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E.g. "He's obviously doing this to spite me."

Ask questions to find out:

- Who "he" is.
- What actions were done.
- How the speaker knows the intent of the actions.

NLP Tools:

Meta Model Violations





HAVE THE RIGHT ATTITUDE & INTENTION



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- Curious
- Open
- Present



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