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Retrospectives Antipatterns

Don't make my mistakes





Retrospectives ANTIPATTERNS



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Foreword by Diana Larsen



A red-toned illustration of a hellish landscape. In the foreground, a leopard with a spotted coat is crouched on the left. To its right, a winged figure, possibly a demon or angel, is lying down. The background features dark, swirling, and textured elements, suggesting a cavernous or infernal environment. The overall color scheme is dominated by various shades of red and black.

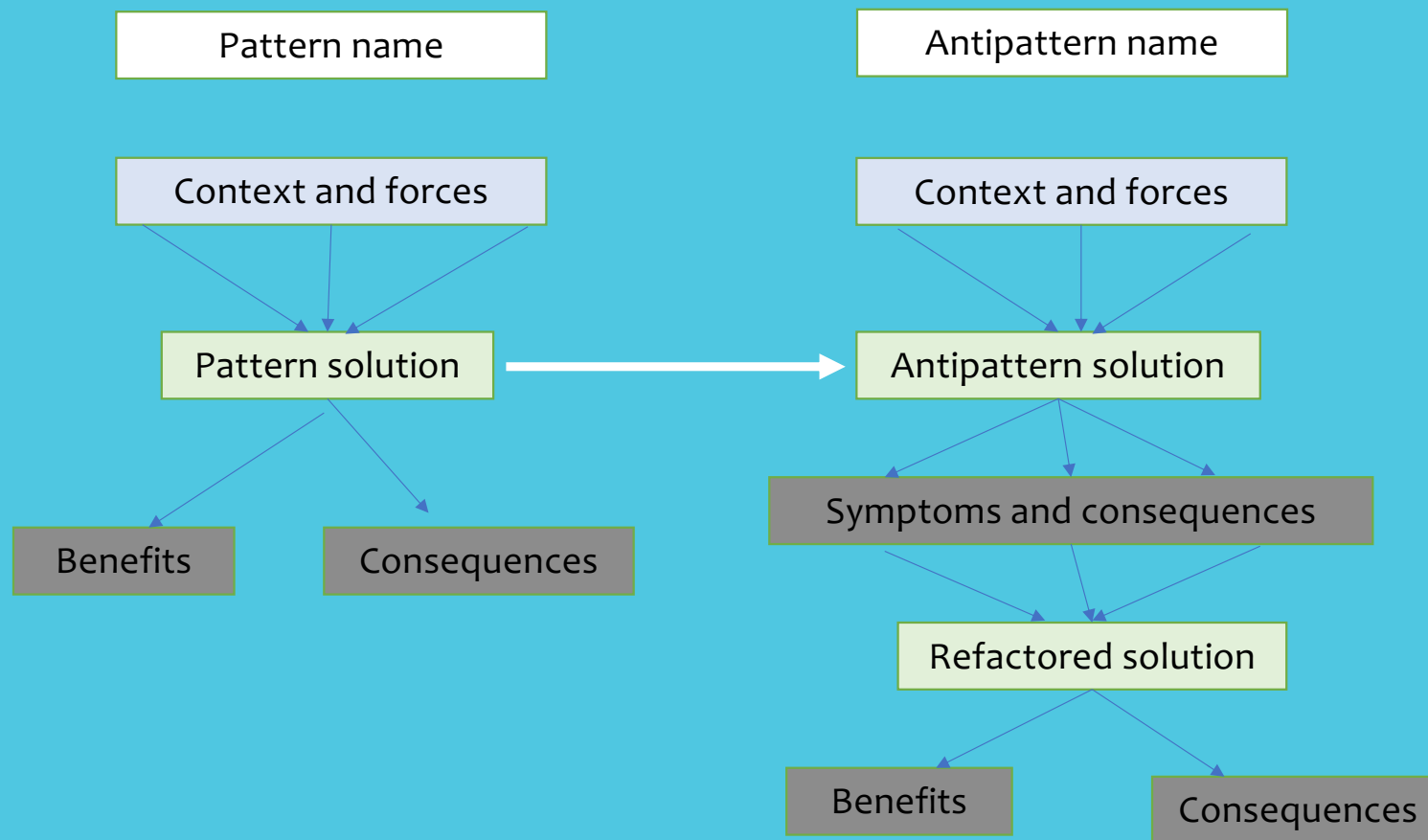
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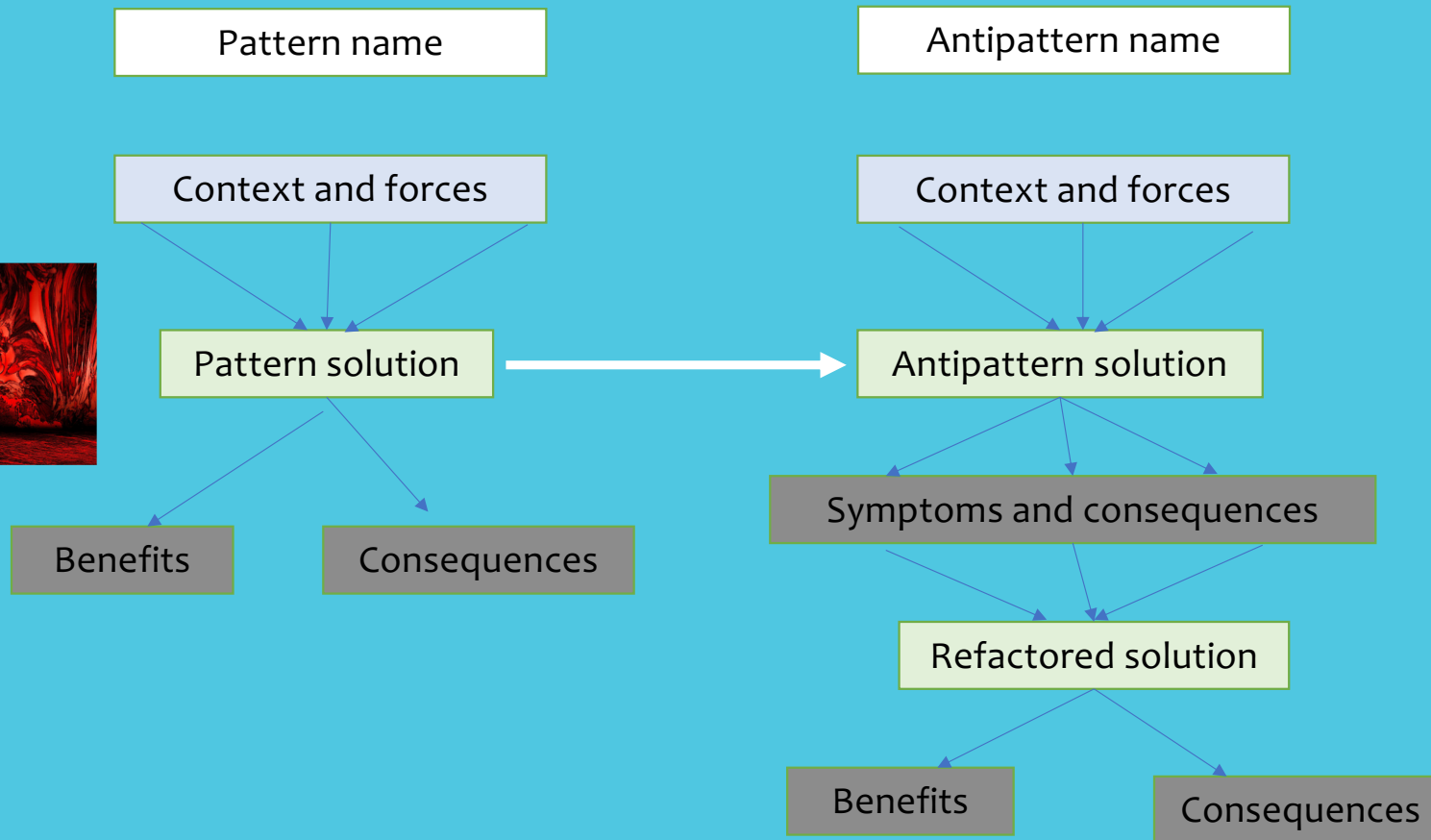
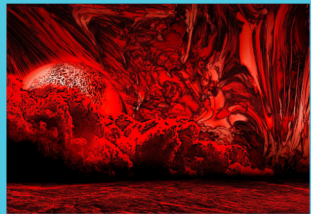
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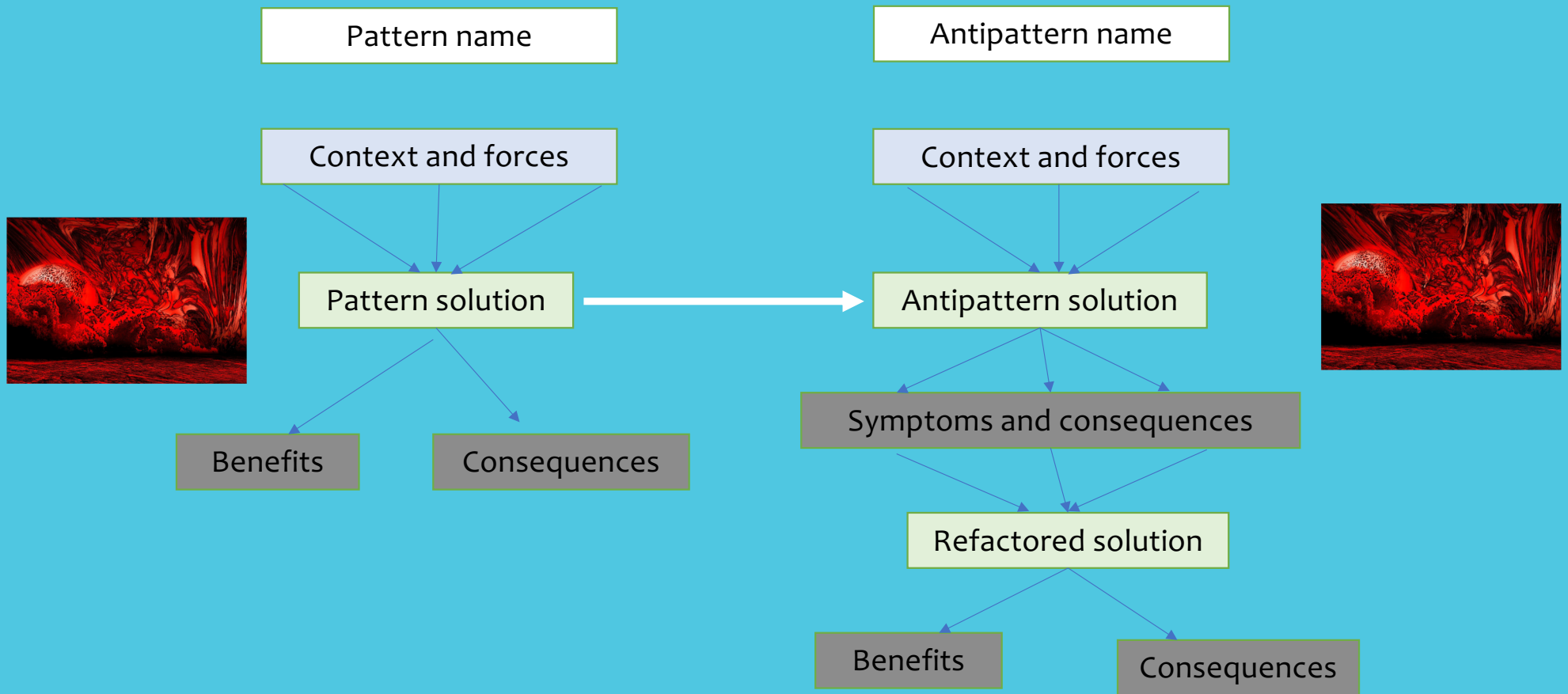


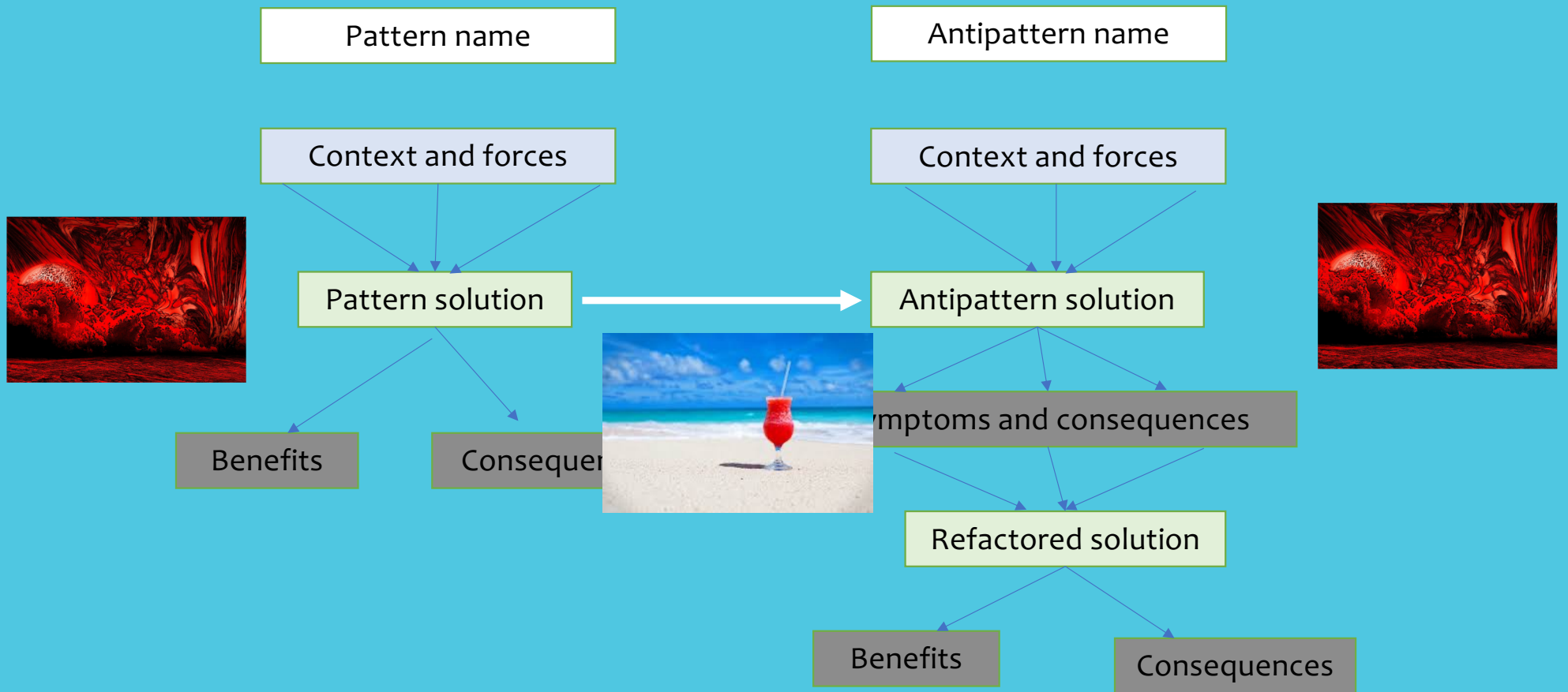
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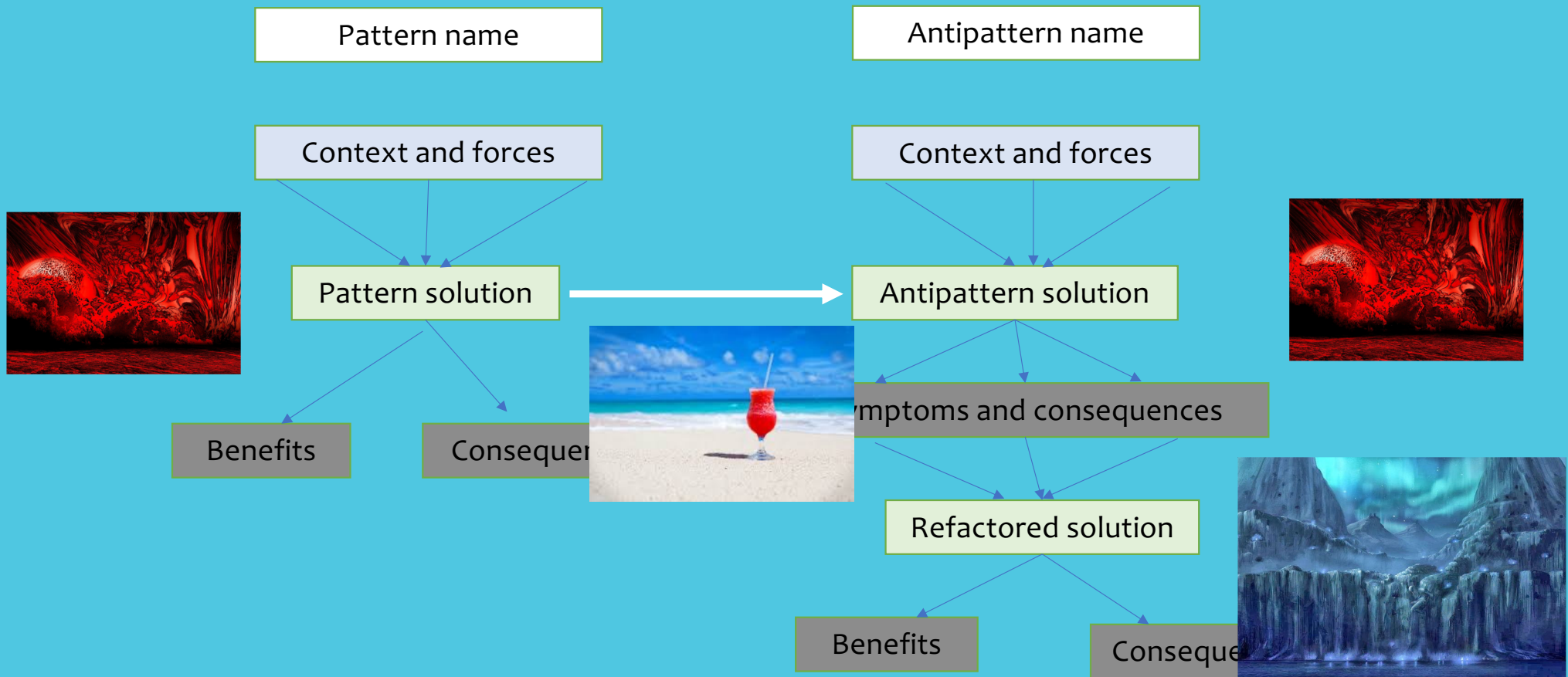
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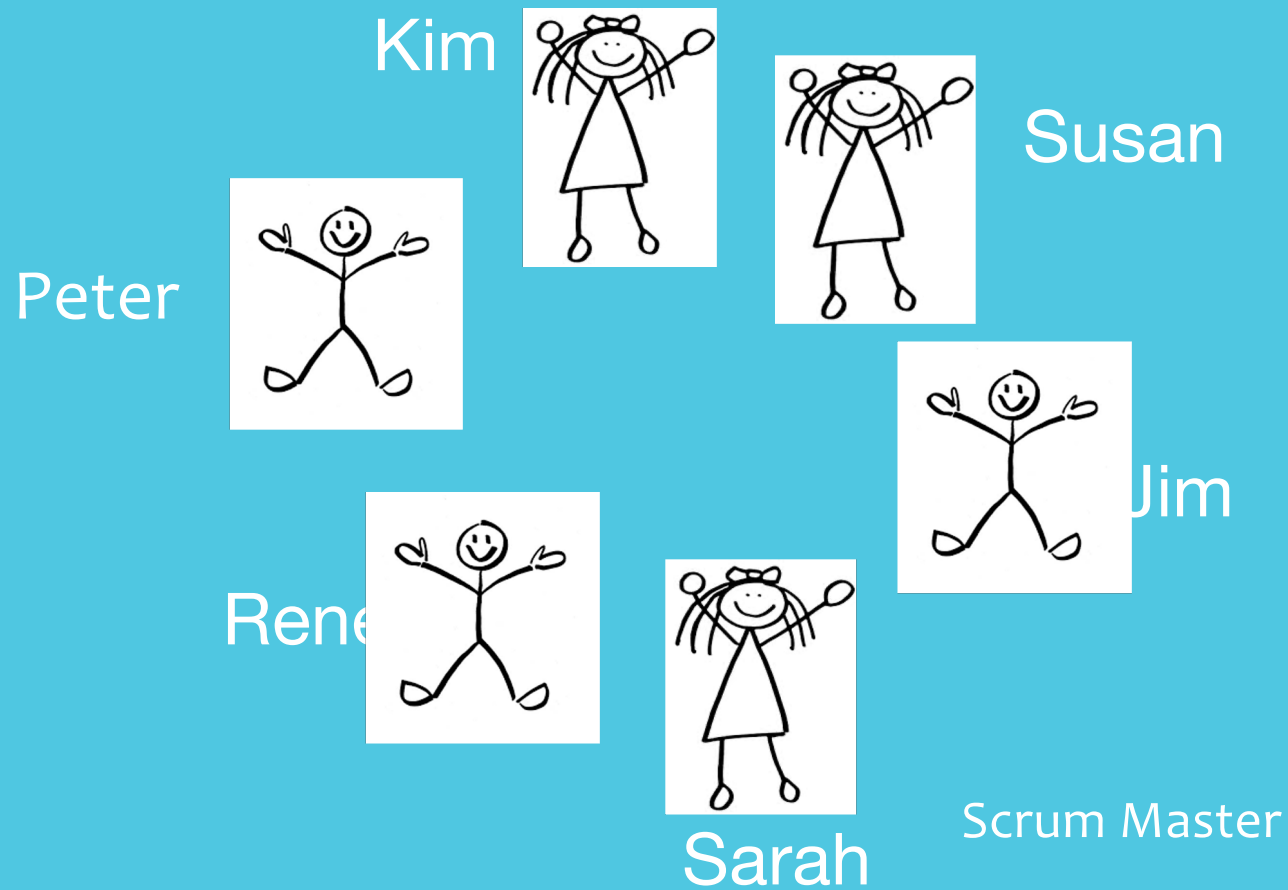
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To understand everything is to forgive everything

Titanic A/S – reliable navigation software



Prime Directive IGNORANCE



Sarah prepares her first retrospective

“Peter is not doing what he should”

“Peter is not doing what he should”

“We are all so busy!”

“Peter is not doing what he should”

“We are all so busy!”

”Peter has to pull himself together”

“Peter is not doing what he should”

“We are all so busy!”

”Peter has to pull himself together”

Peter leaves the room

Prime Directive

Regardless of what we discover, we must understand and truly believe that everyone did the best job he or she could, given what was known at the time, his or her skills and abilities, the resources available, and the situation at hand.

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Bring the Prime Directive

**Bring the Prime Directive
- on a whiteboard**

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- on a whiteboard
- in an email

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- on a whiteboard**
- in an email**
- just say it in your own words**

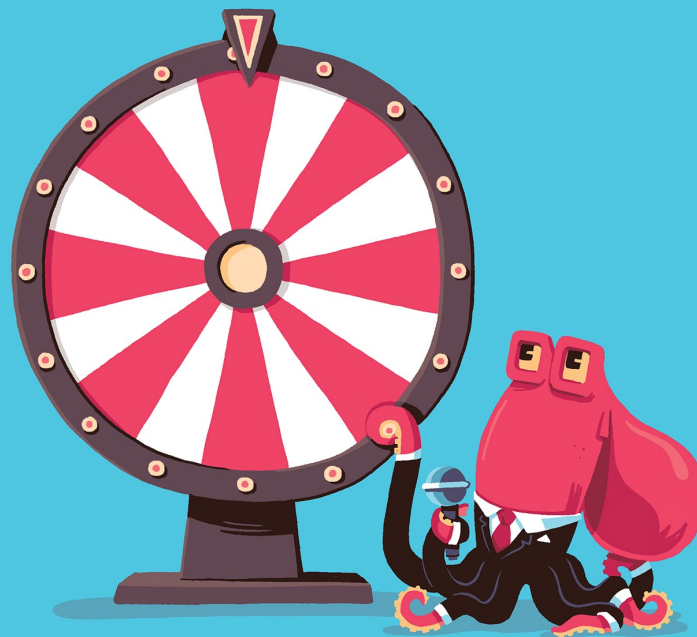
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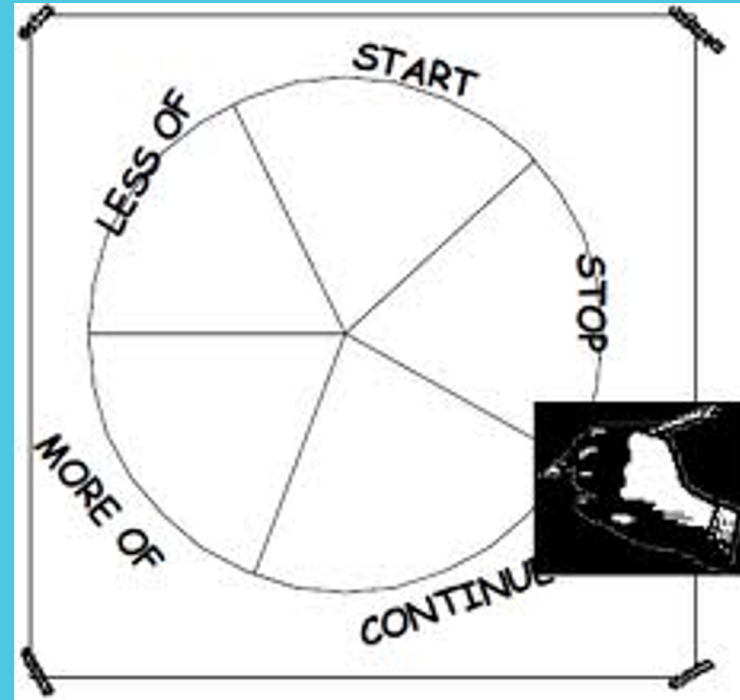
- on a whiteboard**
- in an email**
- just say it in your own words**
- remind those that need it...**

Prime Directive IGNORANCE

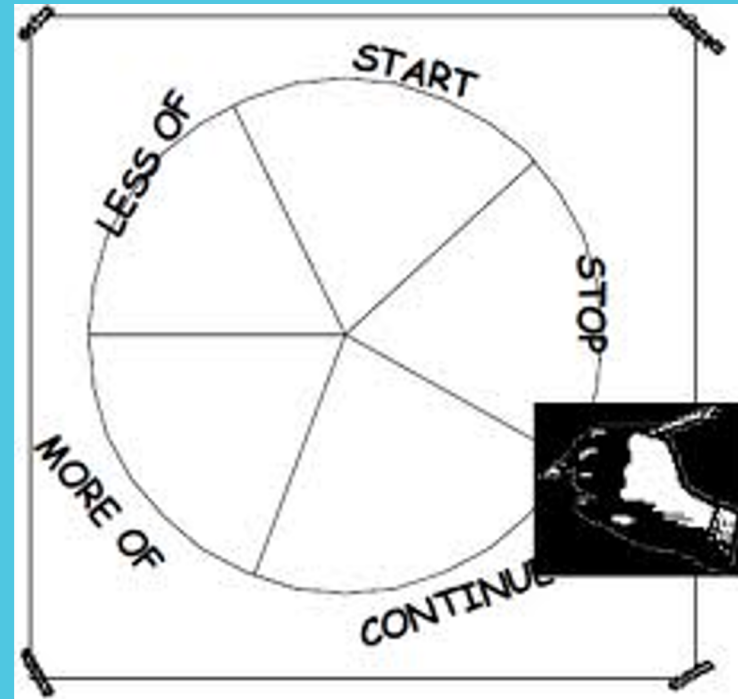


Wheel of Fortune



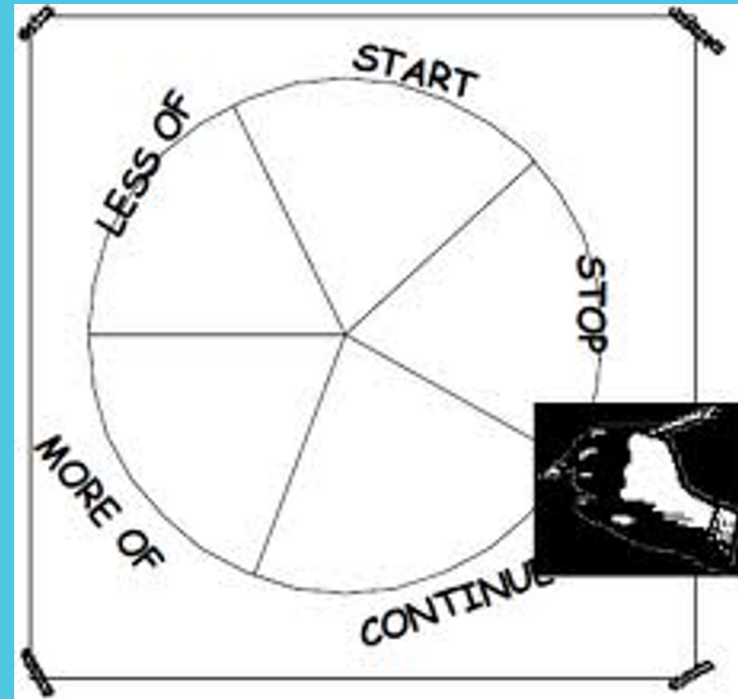


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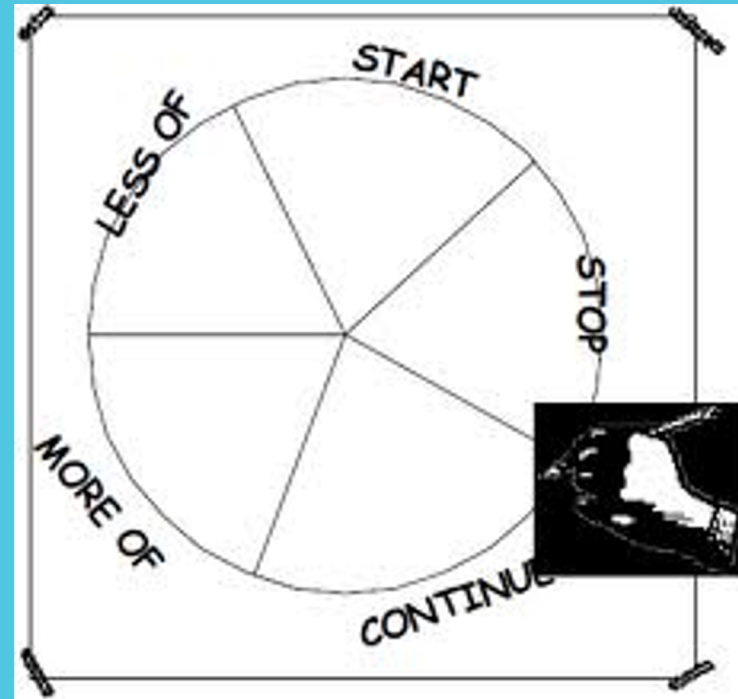
Less meetings



More pair programming

Less meetings

Stop ignoring PR



Set the Stage – getting ready

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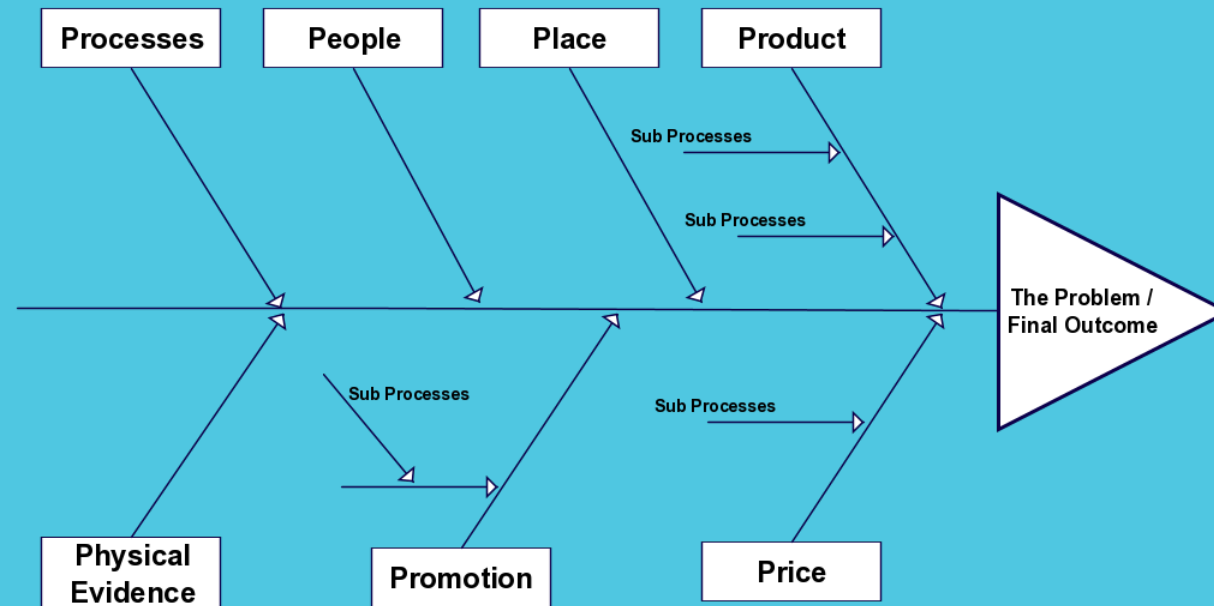
Gather Data – the past

Set the Stage – getting ready

Gather Data – the past

Generate insights - now

Generate insights - now



Set the Stage – getting ready

Gather Data – the past

Generate insights - now

Decide what to do - the future

Set the Stage – getting ready

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Closing the retrospective –summary

Divergence

Groan Zone

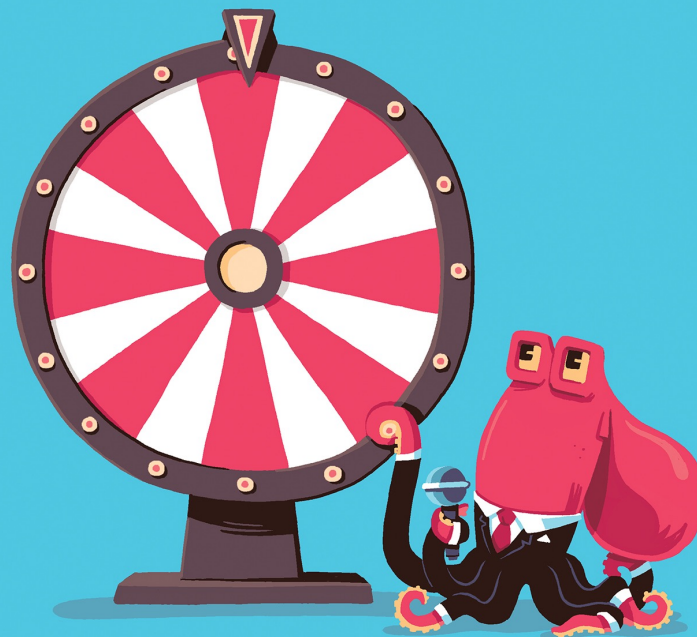
Convergence

Topic

Decision



Wheel of Fortune



DO IT
Yourself



"The retrospectives are boring..."

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"They are a waste of time..."

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"We should have a better facilitator... "

"The retrospectives are boring... "

"They are a waste of time... "

"We should have a better facilitator... "

"I would like to get something out of them as well ... "



FacilitatorRotation ☆ 📁

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GrumpyOldMen

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Team/Week	1	2	3	4	5
The Fabulous4	Aino		Aino		Aino
Unicorns with rainbows		Søren			Søren
FooBar	Kræsten		Kræsten		Kræsten
Memegenerators	Søren		Aino		Søren
GrumpyOldMen	Jesper				Jesper

Food



The coffee situation



The cucumber conundrum

Process



What is happening with the daily stand ups?



Should we have longer retrospectives

Proces

Vote privately



Vote on topics to prioritize discussion. Private voting helps to avoid bias. The number of votes each participant is given is based on the number of groups you have up for discussion.

Each participant has $\sqrt{4}$ topics = 2 votes



Think

Group

Vote

Discuss



DO IT
Yourself





"Oh, is the retrospective now?"

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"Where is the link again?"

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Small talk between some of the people in the same room

"Oh, is the retrospective now?"

"Where is the link again?"

Small talk between some of the people in the same room

"Did we get a password?"

What can you do?

Send an email the day before

Send an email the day before

Send an email 15 minutes before

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Insist on video for all

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Make sure everyone is equal

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Use an avatar if needed

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Use an avatar if needed

Prepare a strict agenda, and an alternative

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Don't record it....



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soup



"The boss will never allow it..."

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"Why can the retrospectives not help us..."

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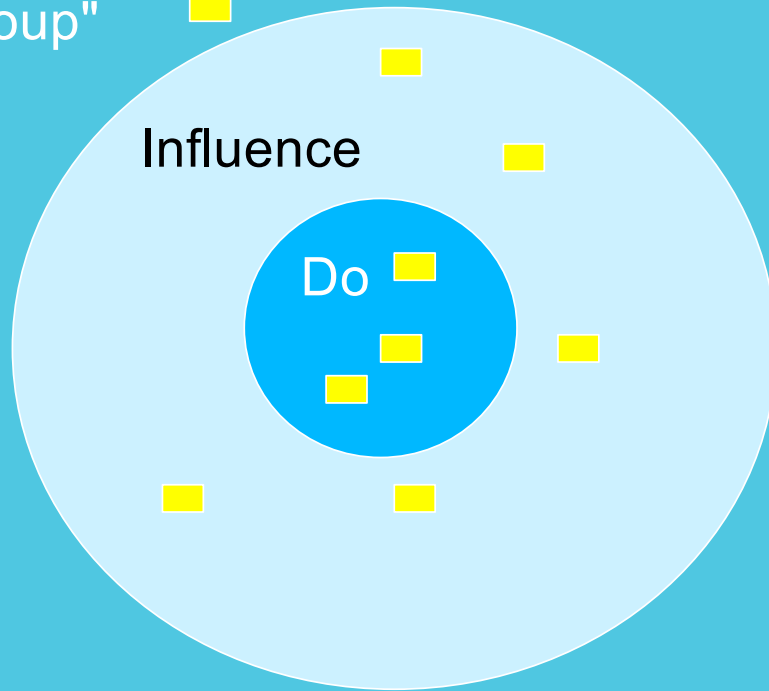
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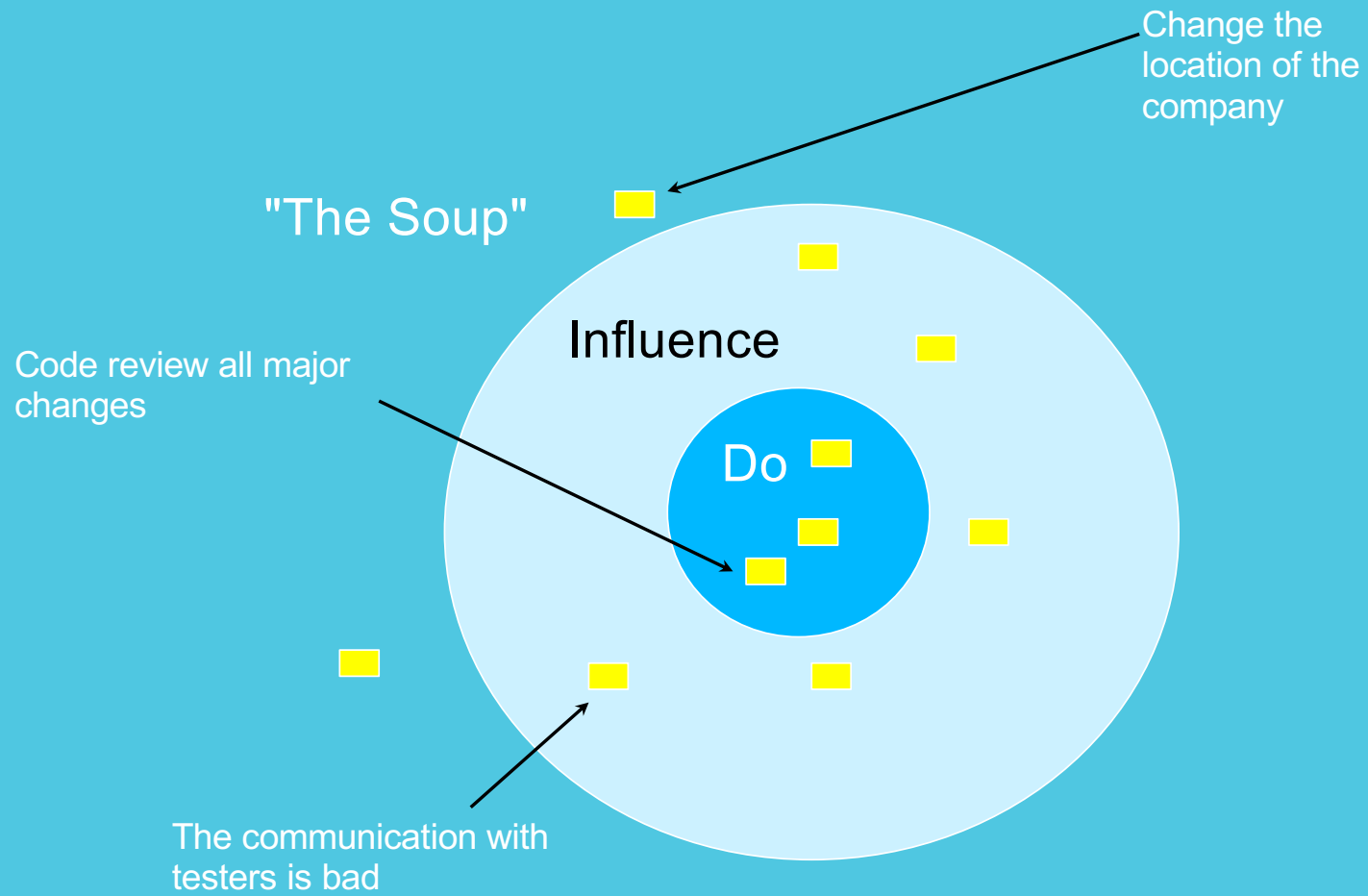
"We never get anything changed..."

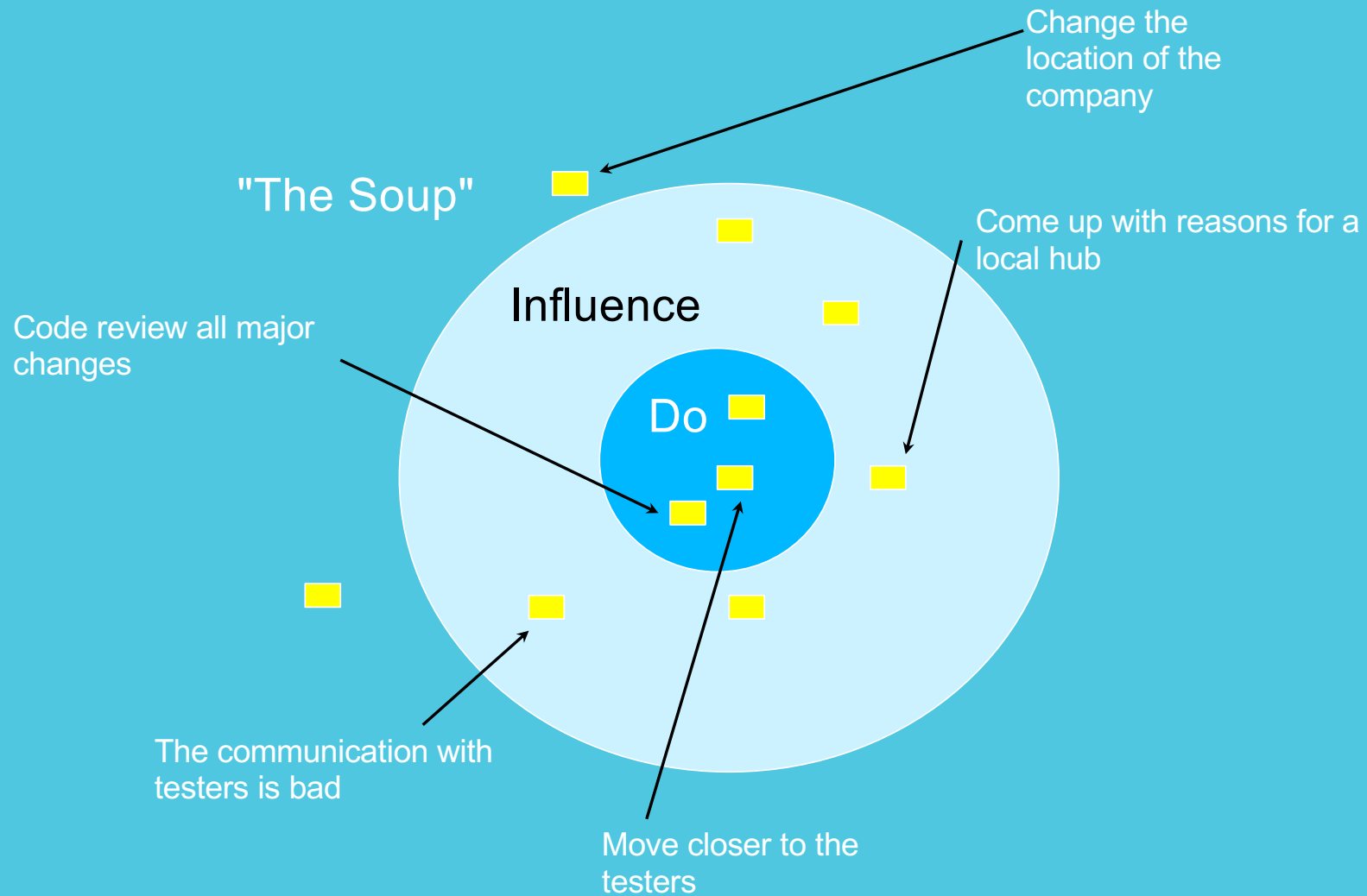
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