

# A-CSM WEBINAR: GET AGILE BUY-IN NOW!

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# A-CSM Learning Objective

Explain Scrum and its benefits to a business stakeholder

## **Elevator Pitch**

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#### **Executive Analysis Worksheet**

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1 The Pregame	
ldea you need buy-in for	
Executive name and role	
Areas of influence (Circle all that apply)	Organizational structure, process, tools, technology, people, culture, budget, hiring, moral weight, Other
Summarize the gains and losses this executive might personally receive during and after the change.	
Circle the Executive's current level of commitment and the level needed	l I from the executive for success
Unaware   Questions or resists   Permits/Stays out of way   He	elps   Makes it happen   Key role
Embody your hero pose	
2 The Critical Minute	
Create rapport: Smile. Say their name. Say anything at a human level.	What will you say?
Non-verbal communication: Mirror body language and mannerisms. What message do you want your body language to convey? What three words would you use to describe your intended tone?	What non-verbal communication do you intend?
3 The Pitch	
Why, This is the why FOR THEM: not you. Start with why. Describe your belief as clearly and concisely as possible. It is your belief that will inspire others to support your idea and take action.	
How - the actions you'll take to realize your belief.	
What - the results of the How. This is a good place to describe the gains your executive may receive by supporting your belief. End with a clear and direct call to action.	
4 Visualize the Delivery	
When and where will the pitch be delivered?	
How will you celebrate your courage regardless of the result?	

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## Our Team

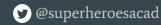




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## Importance of Executive Support

- "Senior management support cited as the most important characteristic when adopting Scrum." 2017 State of Scrum report
- "The CEO as the biggest proponent of organizational agility" Forbes 2018
- "The C-suite plays an integral role in driving adoption of agility across the enterprise" Forbes 2018

# 1. The Pregame

Goal: Empathize with your executive

Do some work upfront to better understand the person you need to support your idea.

# **Executive Empathy**

# **Strategies for Engaging Executives**

- Don't be a salesperson. Be a partner.
- Learn and care about them as a person.
- Show you understand their unique challenges.
- Approach them as a whole person they're more than their titles.



Kryptonite (Pains)

#### Superpowers (Gains)

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Adapted from Dave Gray (https://gamestorming.com/empathy-mapping/)

#### Think & Feel

- "Why doesn't everyone else care as much as I do."
- I need our staff to act like owners
- There's a big opportunity here and we don't want to miss it.
- I feel alone

#### Hear

- Complaints from clients and employees
- Excuses as to why something can't be done
- The positive impact the company is having
- Board demanding higher performance
- News about the competition



#### See

- Next generation changing the workforce

- Local impacts from global events
- High market volatility

#### Say or Do

- "There's always better."

- Interviews with media

- Communicate the company vision
- Model company values

#### Kryptonite (Pains)

- Economy (ie. inflation)
- Regulations (ie. GDPR)
- Not enough capacity to complete necessary work
- Indecision in the organization

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#### Superpowers (Gains)

- Bank balance / sufficient investment in organization
- Well-designed organizational culture
- Skilled / educated workforce
- Charisma

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Summarize the gains and losses this executive might personally receive during and after the change.	GAINS Empower team members to act like owners Know where we're at (transparency) LOSSES Risk of losing time if experiment fails Dealing with complaints if some don't agree with Scrum
Circle the Executive's current level of commitment and the level needed from the executive for success Unaware   Questions or resists   Permits/Stays out of way   Helps   Makes it happen   Key role	

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#### Get

Embody your hero pose Touchdown!!!

#### The Pregame

# 2. The Critical Minute

### **Goal: To Build Rapport**

This is accomplished (or not) in the first few seconds of your elevator pitch.



2 The Critical Minute	
<b>Create rapport:</b> Smile. Say their name. Say anything at a human level.	What will you say? Smile, say name and Mention New York Times article
Non-verbal communication: Mirror body language and mannerisms. What message do you want your body language to convey? What three words would you use to describe your intended tone?	What non-verbal communication do you intend? Open, confident, peer-to-peer

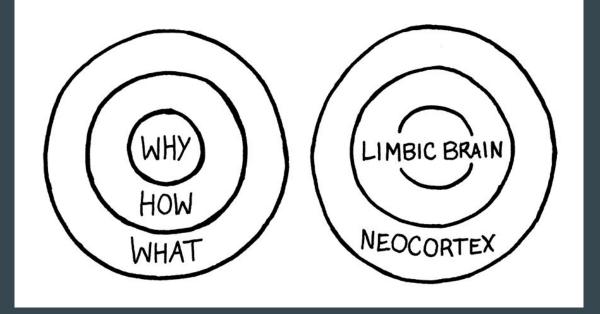
#### The Critical Minute

# 3. The Pitch

# Goal: Deliver a compelling pitch and gain support for your idea



## Golden Circle - Simon Sinek (Start with Why)



"People don't buy WHAT you do, they buy WHY you do it."



3 The Pitch	
Why. This is the why FOR THEM; not you. Start with why. Describe your belief as clearly and concisely as possible. It is your belief that will inspire others to support your idea and take action.	<ul> <li>Adapt quickly in a volatile marketplace</li> <li>Less waste, less frustration</li> <li>Increased accountability</li> </ul>
How - the actions you'll take to realize your belief.	<ul> <li>Roll-out with support of internal coaches</li> <li>Ensure team is onboard before starting</li> </ul>
What - the results of the How. This is a good place to describe the gains your executive may receive by supporting your belief. End with a clear and direct call to action.	<ul><li> 3-month experiment</li><li> One team</li><li> Scrum framework</li></ul>

#### The Golden Circle

# 4. Visualize the Delivery

# Goal: Improve odds of successful follow-through



4 Visualize the Delivery	
When and where will the pitch be delivered?	Coffee shop tomorrow morning. Wearing my best shirt. Lucky coin in hand.
How will you celebrate your courage regardless of the result?	Gelato

#### Visualize the Delivery

# Crash & Burn Moves





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Soft Start-up

Low and Slow

"No" is Just the Beginning

Drop the Professional Mask

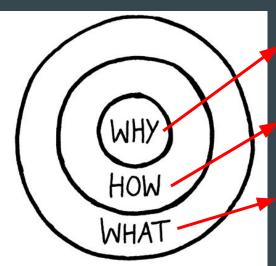
Practice!

1. The Pregame 2. The Critical Minute 3. The Pitch a. Why b. How c. What 4. The Call to Action 🣂

# **Elevator Pitch: Take 2**

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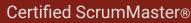
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