Communication and Career Development

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Objectives

- How to communicate strategically?
- How to develop your communication capabilities for your career?

My Question for You

What are the key challenges you are facing in terms of communication?

How to Communicate Strategically: A Framework



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The Key IS Persuasion



- ◆ Informing ≠ Persuading
- Persuading
 - Logic/Evidence
 - Emotion
 - Character (personality, reputation, credibility)
 - Audience benefits (what's in it for them?)

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Strengthening Your Characters

Professional

show <u>courtesy</u> (tactful, follows standards of business etiquette) and <u>care.</u>

Knowledgeable

- Be careful with "the curse of knowledge"
- Clear, Concise and Short than expected
 - Key message is delivered clearly and quickly so audience is not left guessing what it is.
 - Essential information is included; nonessential information is excluded.

Evidence driven

All claims are clearly supported by highquality evidence and specific, concrete examples,

Persuasive

→ Built on thoughtful audience analysis, audience benefits are made clear.

Rehearse, Rehearse, and Rehearse

Let's go beyond this!

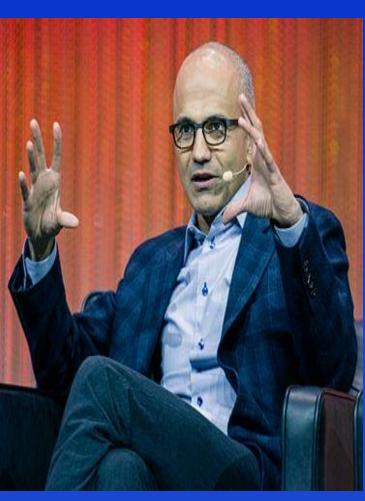
Indra Nooyi



Born in Madras in 1955

- Education:
 - → Madras Christian College (B.S., 1974)
 - →IIM Calcutta (P.G.D.M, 1976)
 - → Yale Management (MA, 1978)
- 1980s BCG, Motorola...
- 1994 Joined Pepsi
- 2001 President & CFO
- 2006 CEO of Pepsi Co. (age 51)

Sundar Pichai



Born in Hyderabad in 1967

- Education:
 - → Manipal Inst. Of Technology (B.E. 1988)
 - → Wisconsin-Milwaukee (MS, 1990)
 - → Chicago (MBA, 1997)
- 1992 joined Microsoft
- 1999 VP of Microsoft bCentral
- 2007 SVP of online services
- 2014 CEO of Microsoft (age 47)

Sundar Pichai



Born in Chennai in 1972

- Education:
 - IIT Kharagpur (B Tech)
 - Stanford (MS)
 - Wharton (MBA, 2002)
- 2002 McKinsey
- 2004 joined Google as the head of product development and innovation efforts
- ◆ 2011 SVP
- ◆ 2015 CEO of Google (age 43)

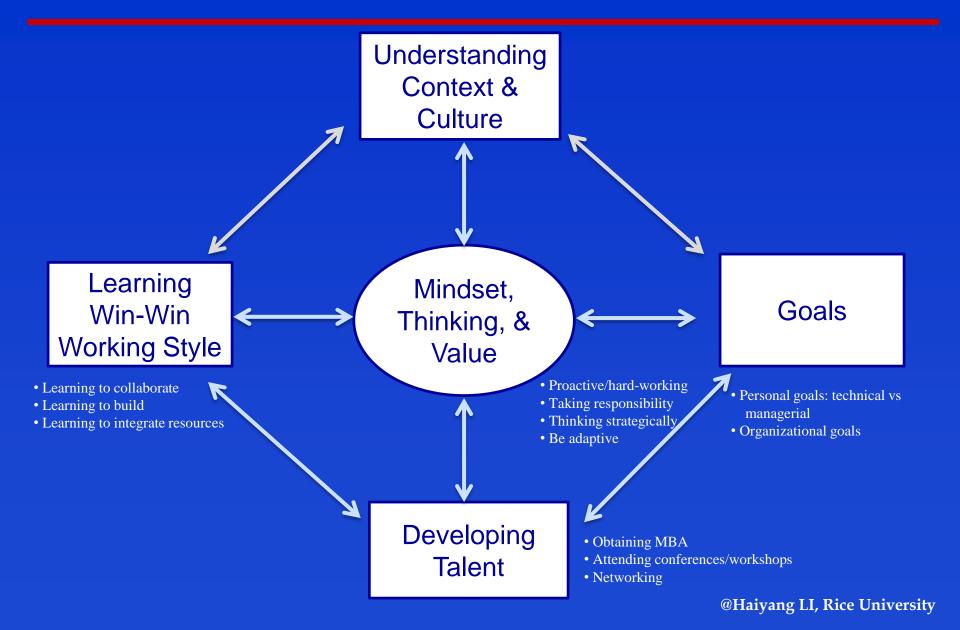
What Do You Learn from These???

Takeaways

◆ "老中一直看不起老印。在嘲笑中,老印慢慢变成了老板,老中还是心怀不满的个人工作者。"一位网友评论说。

- Communication skills are NOT just techniques for your daily jobs; instead, they are an integral part of your capabilities for career development and for being leaders.
- Then: how to develop your communication capabilities?

Developing Communication Capabilities



Satya Nadella's email to employees when taking the CEO job...

"I am 46. I've been married for 22 years and we have 3 kids. And like anyone else, a lot of what I do and how I think has been shaped by my family and my overall life experiences. Many who know me say I am also defined by my curiosity and thirst for learning. I buy more books than I can finish. I sign up for more online courses than I can complete. I fundamentally believe that if you are not learning new things, you stop doing great and useful things. So family, curiosity and hunger for knowledge all define me. "

Thank You!