

EXPRESS OH

Extended Business English and
Business Communication workshop series by Pragya



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What is Express Oh!

A 4-5 months self development program ending in certification

Mindful Communication

Notice Breathe
Listen

Listen

Check Pause

Invite

Atend

Allow

Sense

Teal

Emotional Empowerment Assertiveness



Mindfulness @ Work



International Business English





Customized for clients

Objectives earning.

Improve communication with stakeholders – spoken and written, especially with overseas managers and the leadership

Bring forth results by influencing decision making in meetings, teleconferences, emails and presentations

Enhance productivity and functioning at work and in life

Display confidence; be assertive; develop self esteem, manage negativity in safe ways through mindfulness practices



Participant Profile

For participants who...

Are high on technical performance; need to now focus on communication skills

Have transitioned from Individual Contributor roles to Leads

Are new managers/mentors

Need to work closely and influence overseas counterparts/customers

Wish to experience success and spike their careers



Pedagogy – our process



Customization – meet stakeholders to understand specific needs and challenges of participants and the organization



Pre assessment and Post assessment to make all sessions learner centric



Spaced modular experiential workshops and group coaching sessions based on Mindful Learning Flow



1:1s to instil ownership and engagement in learning. Self, peer, facilitator review inbuilt in program design



Mindful Learning Flow

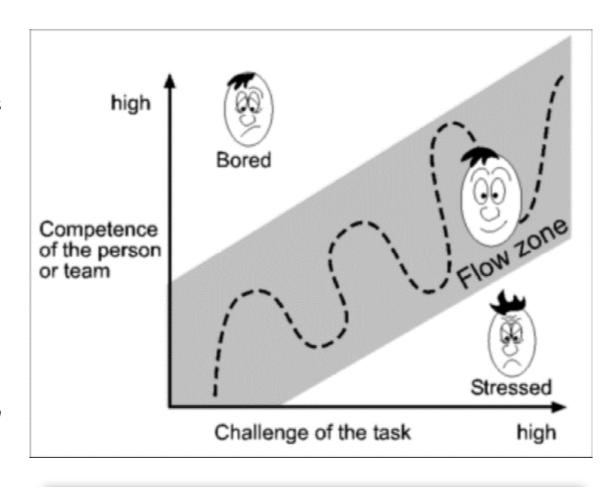
- Being able to control
 consciousness, self-realization is
 the flow experience, which was
 proposed by psychology
 Professor Csikszentmihalyi.
- ✓ In the flow of experience,

 people become one with what

 they are doing and acquire

 strong motivation to accomplish

 goals and fulfil inner desires.
- This fosters balance and active learning.



Program design enables active learning



Month 1

Pre-assessment – 1 day

With 1:1 feedback – 2 days (8 participants a day)

Months 2 - 4

4 modular sessions – 1 day each

Month 2 – Group coaching 1 – 2 days (6-8 participants/group)

Month 3 - Group coaching 2 – 2 days (6-8 participants/group

Month 4

Post assessment – 1 day

The Express Oh journey... ...

Month 5

1:1 feedback – 2 days (8 participants a day) with summary report

Certification for participants with full attendance and over 85% score in mid and post assessments







MONTH 1

- ✓ Pre-assessment 1 day
- ✓ One-on-One feedback 6pax/day

✓ One-on-One feedback — 6pax/day



3-fold purpose of pre and post assessment

is to INCREASE quality.



Help participants identify *key areas* of learning and application at work

Become aware of how *inner limiting* beliefs and anxieties reflect in in the outer – behavior, attitudes and relationships

Act as a pre and post program measure of skill; support participants to strengthen and further their learning



Day 1

Focus areas for assess-ments

Listening comprehension

Listening to sequential and multiple instructions/requests; drawing inferences

Written communication – use of 7Cs

E.g. Be clear, be crisp, be convincing, be complete, be correct

Articulation through speech

Confidence, idea structuring, audience connect and credibility and basic etiquette

What Makes an Impression? Words 7% Your Book Language 55%

Email audit

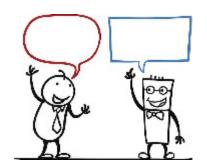
Audit of emails of participants; composing emails for varied scenarios

Grammar and vocabulary

Functional grammar vs. Academic grammar; specific vs. generic vocabulary; crisp words; positive tone



Day 2 - Focus areas for One-o'-Ones



Communication

Body Language and Voice

Idea structuring

Listening and responding

Mindfulness, Emotional Empowerment & Assertiveness

Self esteem
Self belief

Areas of assertion and non-assertion

Needs and challenges at work

Influencing Power

Credibility

Ability to impact decision making;/influence stakeholders



000000 MONTH 1-4

30 min fun-packed exercises during each session in –

- ✓ Functional grammar
- ✓ Vocabulary
- ✓ Vocabulary
 - Functional grammar



Functional Grammar

Vocabulary

Coherence

Magic of short sentences

Structure in writing

Parts of Speech

Better words vs. Clutter words

Generic vs. Specific vocabulary

Positive tone

Power words vs.
Wimp words

60 minute fun-filled interactive sessions in each Module with individualized feedback

N E D N N G



MONTH 2

Mindful communication

- ✓ Module 1 1 day
- ✓ Module 2 8 participants/day

✓ Module 2 - 8 participants/day



Day 3 - Module 1- Total Presence

Mindful Communication

Active Listening

Listen to understand vs. Listen to respond

- Deep listening develop empathy; listen to the yes behind the no (and vice versa)
- The art of questioning

4-Step Process

4 step process of mindful communication

- Take 100% responsibility for one's words and feelings
- Develop compassion as motivation for action over fear, guilt, blame, coercion
- Express with authenticity and clarity
- Aim for win-win

Relationships

Build lasting relationships

- Identify one's needs and of others
- Express in ways that is respectful of self, the other and the organization
- Take ownership; contribute and collaborate



Day 4 - Module 2 - The Write Way

Mindful Business Writing

7Cs

Connect to convey powerfully - create stakeholder-centric messages

- Set context; close loop
- Be clear, crisp yet complete
- Be correct, yet courteous
- Be creative and convincing: make messages compelling

Top-down approach

Apply newspaper analogy

- Draw attention to what is most important
- Decipher what and how to convey information based content vs. action oriented content

Email audit

Regular audit of emails through the program

- Comprehend messages quickly and correctly
- Learn to make and respond to requests
- Practise netiquette



Day 5 – U Speak - Group coaching 1

Speak to build credibility, garner trust and drive results.

Confidence – body language and voice

U Speak

theatre approach to spoken communication Video recording & Playback

Compelling messages – simple n sticky

Speaker centric vs. audience centric conversations

Deal with tough audiences and tough questions



MONTH 3

Emotional Empowerment & Assertiveness

- ✓ Group Coaching 2 8 participants/day
- ✓ Module 3 1 day

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Day 6 - Emotional Empowerment – Group coaching 2

Decipher thoughts, needs, feelings

- Build self awareness
- Identify thoughts, needs and feelings of self and others

Work through fears, anger, stress and other negativity

- Develop a tool kit e.g.
 Emotional Freedom
 Technique, BreathWork to
 release emotions in safe ways
- Show grace under fire

Channelize emotions in positive ways

- Balance intellectual data with emotional appeal to influence audiences
- Apply tools of self care



Day 7 - Module 3 – U, Me, We

Assertiveness



Identify and work through non-assertion areas



Be authentic and respectful while expressing thoughts, needs, feelings, including a NO



Grace under fire
Show positive intent
Contribute
Collaborate
Give and receive feedback



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Day 8 - Module 4 – Mindfulness @ work

- Customer centric communication
- Stakeholder centric communication

Mindfulness @ Work

Listening

Empathy

BrainTap

Emails

Written documents

 Giving and receiving instructions/feedback

Mindful Communication

The Write Way

U Speak

Business English

Pre assessment

One-o'-One feedback

- Small talk
- Conversations
- Elevator pitch
- Elevator introduction

Emotional Empowerment

Assertiveness

EFT

BreathWork

- Teleconferencing
- Meetings
- Giving bad news



Day 9

Focus areas for Post assess-ment

Mindful Communication

Deep listening, empathy and questioning

4 Step process

7 Cs

U Speak

Confidence

Clarity – self and others

Conviction including self belief

Email audit

Show positive intent

7 Cs

38%

How We Communicate



Para-verbal Tone (How we say it)



Emotional Empowerment & Assertiveness

Express thoughts, feelings and needs, requests assertively

Be able to say No

Demonstrate ability to deal with tough situations

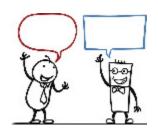
Grammar and vocabulary

Apply functional grammar at work – be coherent

Use specificity, positive tone and power words in the spoken and written word



Day 10 - Focus areas for One-o'-Ones



Mindful Communication

Body Language and Voice

Idea structuring

Listening and responding

Emotional
Empowerment &
Assertiveness

Deal with challenges

Areas of assertion and non-assertion

Say No

Influencing Power through Mindfulness

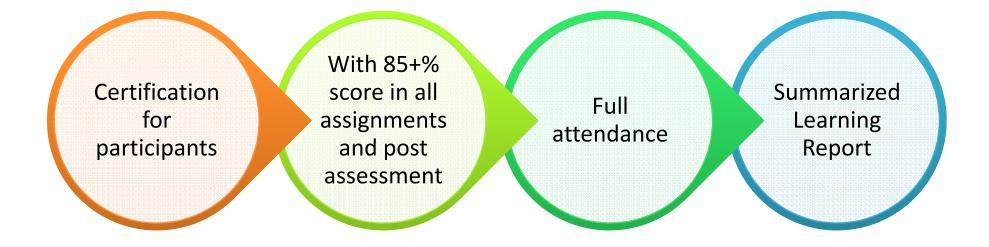
Self belief
Self esteem
Self care

Harmony @ Work

Ability to impact decision making;/influence stakeholders



Certification of Successful Completion





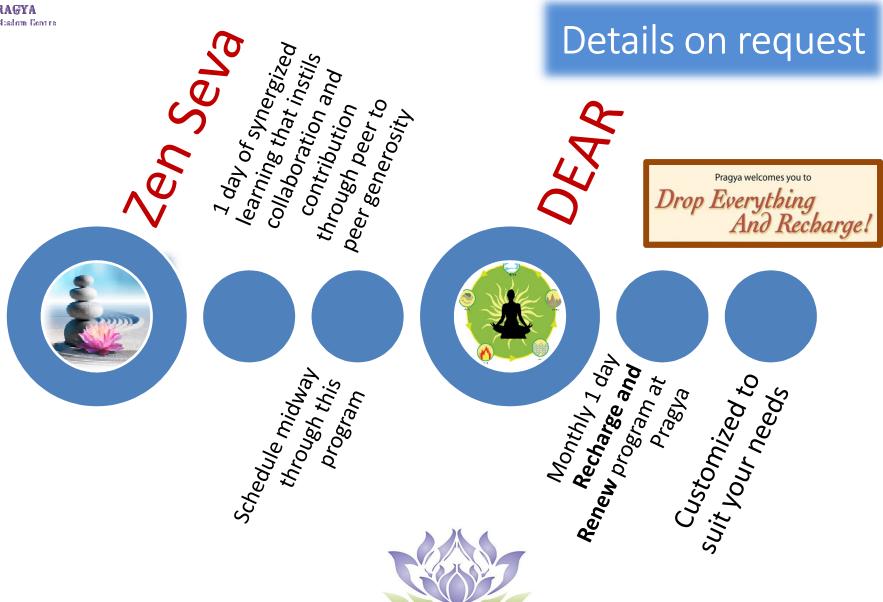


Learning Intervention Plan

Learning Intervention	Month	Duration	No. of days	Class size
Pre assessment	Month 1	1 day	1 day	Preferable – 16 participants Maximum - 18 participants
Pre assessment - Feedback	Month 1	1 hour session per participant	2 days @ max 8 participants a day	One on one session
Module 1	Month 2	1 day	1 day	Preferable – 16 participants Maximum - 18 participants
Module 2	Month 2	1 day	1 day	Preferable – 16 participants Maximum - 18 participants
Small group coaching	Months 2 & 3	2 days for each group of 8 participants	4 days	Max 8 participants/group 1 coaching session/month over 2 months Total - 2 sessions per group
Module 3	Month 3	1 day	1 day	Preferable – 16 participants Maximum 18 participants
Module 4	Months 4	1 day	1 day	Preferable – 16 Maximum - 18 participants
Post assessment	Month 4	1 day	1 day	Preferable – 16 participants Maximum 18 participants
Post assessment – Feedback Certification	Month 5	1 hour session per participant	2 days @ max 8 participants a day	One on one session Closure with certification



Pragya's Complimentary Offering





Modules that complement Express Oh!

Additional Mindful Communication Modules

Confab

Mindfulness while teleconferencing

Stories that Stick

Hot Seat

Mindful feedback

Leadership Modules

Break Inner Barriers to Success

The Midas Touch

Develop the attitude of abundance

Wellness @ Work

Breath@Work

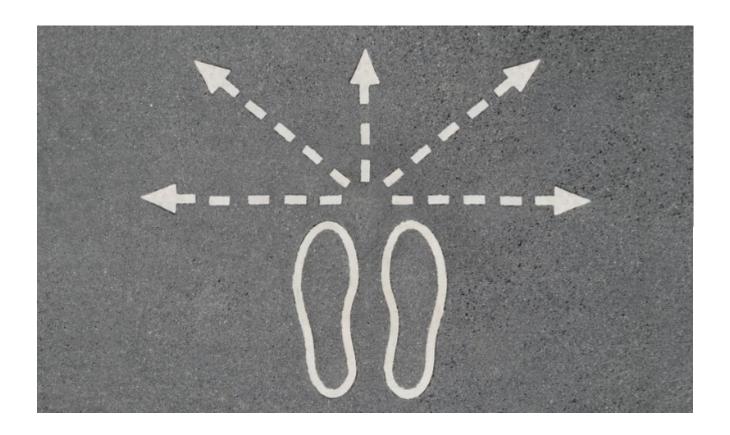
Renew & Recharge

Banish Your Blues

Ultimate Frisbee
Yogventure



Let the journey begin



Conscious Living: the daily work of making incremental self improvements, despite the many forces working against us.
- Greg Brandes



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