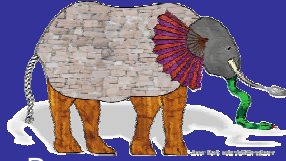


## Six Thinking Hats

- Edward DeBono
- Parallel Thinking
- Uses all resources
- A Facilitated Discussion Process
- Everyone looks at every perspective
- Less confusing and more organized



## Thinking Together

- There are many ways to look at the same situation.
- Our goal is to think collectively, to use the best thinking skills to learn together
- Thinking is not about making a case for one position but looking at all the angles.
- Organized thinking is holistic and more complete.



## Six Thinking Hats

### Blue Hat:

- Organize the conversation
- Summarize
- Overview
- Plan



The Blue Hat often starts and finishes the process.

## White Hat



- What information do we have?
- What information do we need?
- What's missing?
- What questions do we need to ask?
- How are we going to get the information?
- Neutral, just the facts, ma'am.
- Computer-like, curiosity
- First class facts: verifiable & verified
- Second class facts: we think we know

## Black Hat



- Caution and criticism
- Stops us from doing something illegal, immoral or unwise
- Identifies risks, obstacles, weaknesses to be overcome
- Distinguishes when it does not fit our values

## Yellow Hat

- What are the positive aspects?
- The bright side
- What are we building?
- Opportunities
- Visions



## Red Hat



- About emotions
- How do you feel about it?
- All emotions are legitimate and don't require a logical basis or justification.
- Simple: Mad, sad, glad, afraid, etc.
- Complex: hunches, intuition, gut reactions
- Don't analyze the feelings

## Green Hat

- Creativity and growth
- New ideas and ways of looking
- New concepts and perceptions
- Brainstorming

