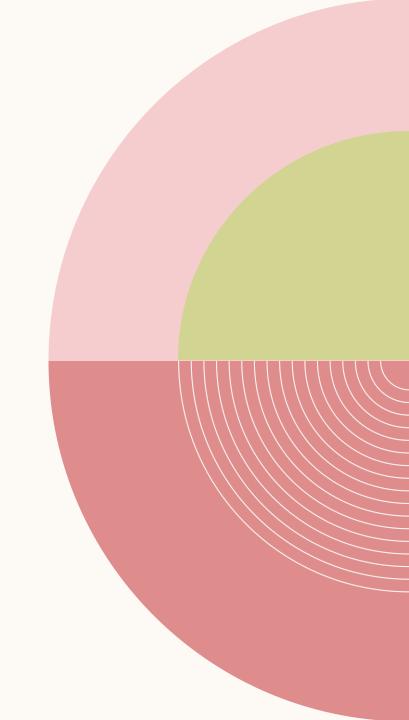
Increase your creativity in 4 steps

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- 1. Wanderlust
- 2. Objective observation
- 3. How do you reach a creative flow?
- 4. Dare to play

1. Wanderlust

- 1. Change context/environment
- 2. Trends & innovations
- 3. Inspiration from your peers
- 4. Use all **your senses**
- 5. **Document it:** save your Wanderlust
- 6. Social interaction
- 7. Daily eg 10 min/day
- 8. Expert level: exercises design thinking



2. Observation & different perspectives

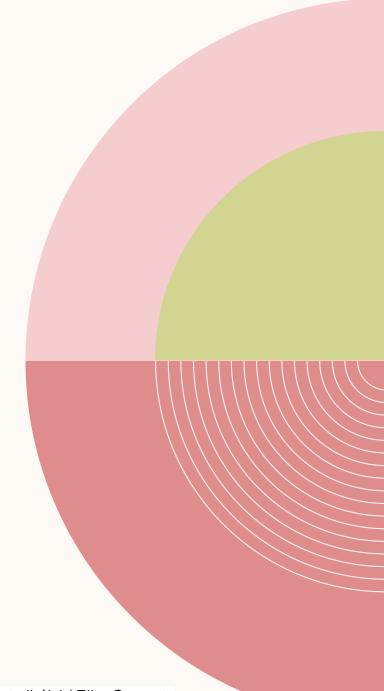
eg Decision making

- **1.** Slow down 1 min
- 2. Breathwork in/out
- 3. Take a step back
- 4. Root cause analysis
- 5. Check impact long term & stakeholders
- 6. Evaluate
- 7. Involve stakeholders in different steps:eg 6 thinking heads de Bono. Check diversity.



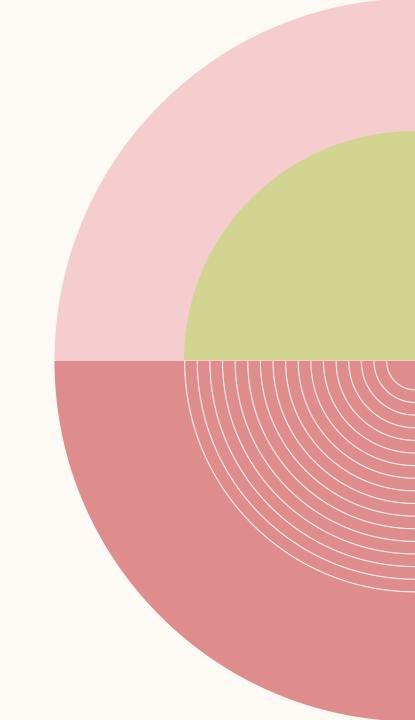
3. How to have flow?

- 1. Not **talent**, but training
- 2. Clear goal (purpose increases flow)
- **3. Reasonable** timeline : cut elephant into pieces ☺
- **Balance** between challenge and gained expertise
- 5. Perception of control on your actions
- 6. (Emotional) safe environment
- Mindset: balans between focus en stress management (coping-mechanismes)
- 8. Instant **feedback**



4a. Impact of play

- Promotes **positivity** & relaxation
- Encourages risk-taking
- Promotes collaboration
- Stimulates **imagination**
- Enhances problem solving skills
- Breaks routine and sparks inspiration
- Encourage **brainstorming**
- Stress reduction
- Encourages growth mindset



4b. Play in business

- Playing = **experimenting**, be brave
- Managers: create a **safe setting** for experimenting
- Do what you like
- Change regularly / **be a beginner**
- 10 min / a day > habbit

Summary: 4 creativity ingredients

- **1. Wanderlust:** 10 min/day (incl documentation)
- 2. Observe, slow down and ≠ perspectives
- **3.** Flow: set a reasonable goal & balance
- 4. Be brave & play: 10 min / day

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