Psychology of Performance

Ontario Soccer

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Plan for Today

- Review ABC's of a Winning Attitude, the model and the tools for Mental Preparation
- Introduce Ideal Performance State (IPS) & its' tools and skills
- practice building IPS and tools for soccer situation

INSPIRATION

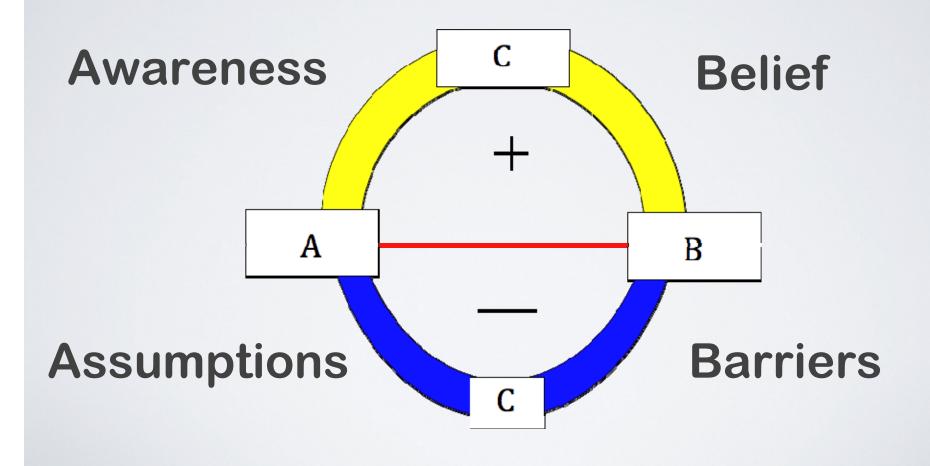
"The road to success is always under construction."

(Arnold Palmer)

Mental and Emotional Agility (M&EA)

The mental flexibility to bring the power of one's thoughts and emotions to CONSISTENTLY maximize one's performance.

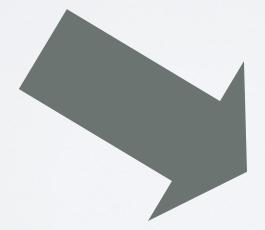
THE ABC'S OF A WINNING ATTITUDE



Winning Attitude

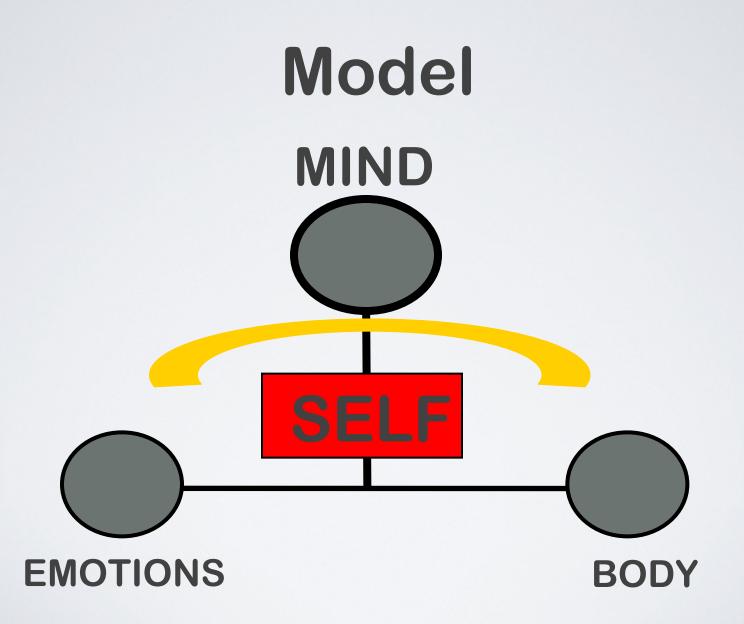
Awareness

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80% of the challenge

Psychological Fitness



Mental and Emotional Agility

TOOLS

- G goals
- I imagery
- F focus
- T thinking
- S supports

IDEAL PERFORMANCE STATE

WHAT?

THOUGHTS

IPS

FEELINGS

SUPPORTS

HOW?

Tools: Your "what"

Thinking

Write down 3 words to describe your thoughts when you are performing at your Best

Write down 3 words to describe your thoughts when you are performing at your Worst.

Tools: Your "what"

Feelings

Write down 3 words to describe your feelings when you are performing at your <u>Best</u>

Write down 3 words to describe your feelings when you are performing at your Worst.

IDEAL PERFORMANCE STATE

WHAT?

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IPS

FEELINGS

SUPPORTS

HOW?

Tools: Your "how"

GOALS

- S.M.A.R.T. goals documented
- multiple areas
- three step process
- Coaches' feedback

- M = measurafieals
- A = achievable
- R = realistic
- T = timely

Tools

GOALS

Write down

- ✓ one year goal
- ✓ one 2 month goal
- ✓ one 2 week goal
- ✓ one goal for your next practice

Imagery

Imagery

- also called visualization or mental rehearsal
- start with relaxation
- mutli-use
- 3 perspectives

Visualization

QuickTime™ and a decompressor are needed to see this picture.

Tools: Your "how"

Supports

- social support
- resources

Tools: Your "how"

Supports

List the social supports that are now part of your fan club

List some additional resources you might seek out

Power of Mental & Emotional Agility

- proven track record (e.g. Jenn Heil)
- easily accessible
- builds health and recovery, not pain or stress
- basic life skills
- already in your skill inventory

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- Identify thou The Andresings to achieve your 25
- Select M & EA tool(s) and Practice
- Learn from each Competition

Plan a strategy ---->Take

Closing Thought

"What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies Within Us".

(O. W. Holmes)