Mining Your Change Experience

The goal of this activity is to enable participants to answer the questions:

- What did you learn about organizational change from this experience?
- What did you learn about yourself and change from this experience?

Directions:

The following activity should be done prior to showing the Module 5 mini-lecture.

Distribute the list of questions on the following page and ask each participant to answer the questions.

Depending on the size of the group, you can ask people to pair up with another person or have an open discussion. If you are working with pairs, ask people to share their responses with each other and be prepared to present in the group discussion what was similar and different in their experiences.

Allow 10 to 15 minutes to speak with each other and then open up the group discussion. If you have fewer than eight participants, you can ask some of the participants to share their experiences with the whole group.
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Questions to Help You Mine Your Change Experience

1. Select one organizational change you have participated in or managed that was a positive experience or a negative experience. Describe it briefly in the space below.

2. What do you think contributed to it being positive or negative?

3. How long did it take you to get comfortable with the change and what it required of you and the people you worked with?

4. What do you think was the primary reason you or the people you worked with embraced the change or resisted the change?

5. What conclusions can you draw from this?