

# Better Conversations: Embedding Coaching in Education



#### **BEFORE WE BEGIN...**

Choose one card (picture or quote) that represents where you are right now

Choose one card (picture or quote) that represents where you want to be the future

What about the card you chose represents where you are now?

What about the card you chose represents where you want to be in the future?



#### LEARNING OUTCOMES

- To understand how coaching has been implemented at Westminster Academy as part of our school improvement strategy
- To define coaching and understand how it is different to other forms of help
- To learn some foundational coaching techniques







#### REFLECTIONS FROM WA COACHEES

'I had coaching in the first cycle of coaching last academic year and it was fantastic. It really helped me make time to reflect on my practice and I felt very supported in working through challenges I was facing at work.'

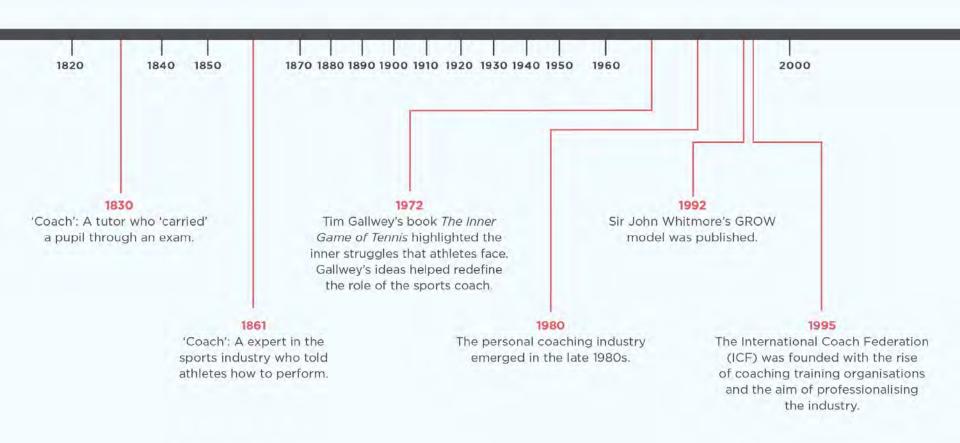
'I have really enjoyed being coached, and it is really helpful to talk through problems. It has helped me gain clarity on a number of issues, especially where an emotional barrier was stopping me from understanding the real intellectual problem. Work is so much about the intersection of intellectual and human problem-solving that is has been really nice to have a space to work out some of these issues.'

'Good input and support.'

'I am generally good at answering questions with questions and during coaching I found myself on the receiving end of this. I was really useful to be "forced" to come up with the answers and found myself applying this more and more in my lessons, especially IB.'



#### HISTORY OF COACHING





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#### PRESENT DAY

Coaching is commonly used to support executives and managers to reach performance targets, increase motivation and enhance wellbeing within a business environment.

Coaching is also used in education, youth development and parenting.



#### **INTRODUCTIONS**

- Name
- Role
- An interesting fact about your first, middle or last name



## PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT





#### **COACHING IS**

- An approach to communicating
- A transformational way to help others, with a focus on the present and future
- Supports someone to move from A to B



### THE FORMS OF HELP SPECTRUM

Non-directive Directive



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COACH COACH MENTOR TEACHER COUNSELLOR CONSULTANT

Non-directive Directive



## **Coaching Demonstration**

What is happening between the two of us?

- Focus on the communication, the impact being made and the coach and coachee relationship (rather than the coachee and their challenge)









#### DIFFERENT WAYS COACHING CAN LOOK

- It can be a brief as one sentence or as long as an hour coaching session
- 'Coaching Session' one-to-one or group coaching session, formal
- 'Coaching Conversation' chat after class, in the break room, 5 min to 30 min...
- Being 'Coach-Like' using coaching skills in your daily interactions

#### THE MODEL



How do you feel about \_\_\_\_\_?

What's important to you?

What do you want?

What's your dream?

What are you passionate about?

What motivates you?

What will having \_\_\_\_\_ give you?



What's a different perspective?

How can you view this differently?

What are your options?

What could stand in your way?

What else?

How do you know?

What's your evidence?

How is your thinking \_\_\_\_

unrealistic, unhelpful, stuck?

What have you wanted to try but haven't yet?



STEP QUESTIONS

What do you want to do?

What's next?

What's the step you are committed to taking?

What will you do? When will you do it by?

Who will you let know and how?

How will you hold yourself accountable?



#### START WITH HEART MODEL



Values
Wants
Passions
Motivations



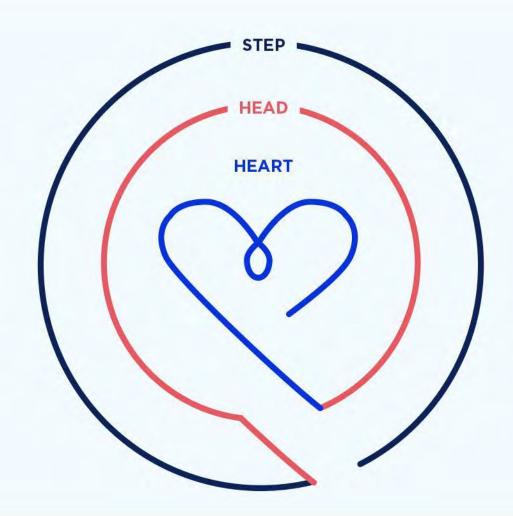
Lenses Options Reality Resources



Action
Growth
Accountability
Commitment



## START WITH HEART MODEL





#### LISTENING



Me-Listening to self or being distracted.



Micro-Listening to words only.



Macro-Listening to everything else.

i.e. tone, energy, what is not being said...

## What do you want to be coached on?



#### Heart:

What's important to you?

What are you like at your best?

What do you really want?

What's important to you about \_\_\_\_?

What motivates you?

#### Head:

What's another way of looking at it?

What are your options?

What's stopping you?

What have you tried already?

#### Step:

What's your next step?

What will you do? When will you do it by? Who will you let know and how?



#### WHAT'S NEXT?

We facilitate two, 2 day, foundational coaching courses at Westminster Academy this year:

- 17th and 18th November 2022
- 12th and 13th July 2023

We'd love for you or any of your colleagues to join us!

#### Pic-A-Card

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

Choose one card (picture or quote) that represents where you are right now and one card that represents where you want to be in the future.

Break out into pairs or small groups and answer the following questions:

- What about the card you chose represents where you are now?
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When you get to the

end of your rope, tie

a knot and hang on.

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to maximize performance –

it's about bringing out the

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best in people.



















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anything. I can only

make them think.

























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its mouth... Tame the dragon and the gift is yours.

Children are educated

by what the grown-up

is and not by his talk.

sticks his neck out.



