



Construction Leadership





## Leading People Inclusively

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### Rules for today







# Aims & Objectives



To provide managers and leaders with the opportunity to explore their own biases and preferences when managing others and to actively seek out and consider different views and perspectives to inform better decision-making.

To use feedback to increase their self-awareness.

To explore how staff diversity is a source of competitive advantage that, once inspired, can drive organisational and individual performance towards a shared vision



Areas we will look at during this session:

- Your individual leadership styles and the impact of inclusive behaviour on staff and colleagues
- The importance and legal considerations of diversity in relation to the Equality Act
- Unconscious bias and the impact on listening, seeking out and taking account of the views of diverse people
- How your own behaviour can contribute to, or help to prevent, discrimination and harassment





"Diversity is being invited to the party, but inclusion is being asked to dance." Vernā Myers

"Inclusion is not just about being invited to the party, it's not just about being asked to dance, its about having your tracks on the playlist and the playlist being left on shuffle!"

Lisa Reynolds, **ioda** 

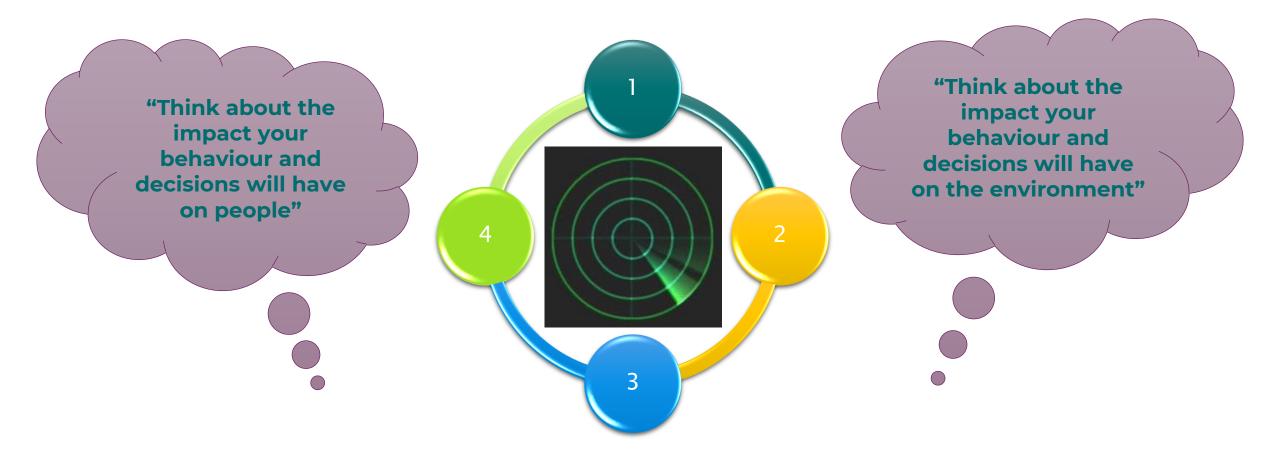




## Do we know the 9 Protected Characteristics identified in the Equality Act 2010 ?



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#### What you permit you promote...

(Your integrity)



## The shadow that you cast .....

- Do you have a true reflection of the 'shadow that you cast'?
- How do you know?
- When was the last time you asked someone?
- Did you ask a friend, family member or colleague?





## What is Inclusive Leadership?

"Leaders who are aware of their own biases and preferences actively seek out and consider different views and perspectives to inform better decision-making"

"They see diverse talent as a source of competitive advantage and inspire diverse people to drive organisational and individual performance towards a shared vision"



## An Inclusive Leader knows their true shadow.... Do you?

## Types of leaders and managers







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#### Think about their 'Leadership Shadow' What behaviours do they display ?

## Types of leaders and managers







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Most things they do is based on how they feel and what they want Most things they do is considered, managed and calm

Personality based leaders can create 'Learnt Helplessness' within their team



## An Inclusive Leader knows their true shadow.... Do you?



#### "Before we can manage others – we must first manage ourselves"





## Three important components of Inclusive Leadership

#### Fairness & Respect

A foundation element that is underpinned by ideas about treatment of diversity and equality of opportunity

#### Valuing & Belonging

Individuals feel that their uniqueness is known and appreciated, whilst also feeling a sense of social connection and group/team membership

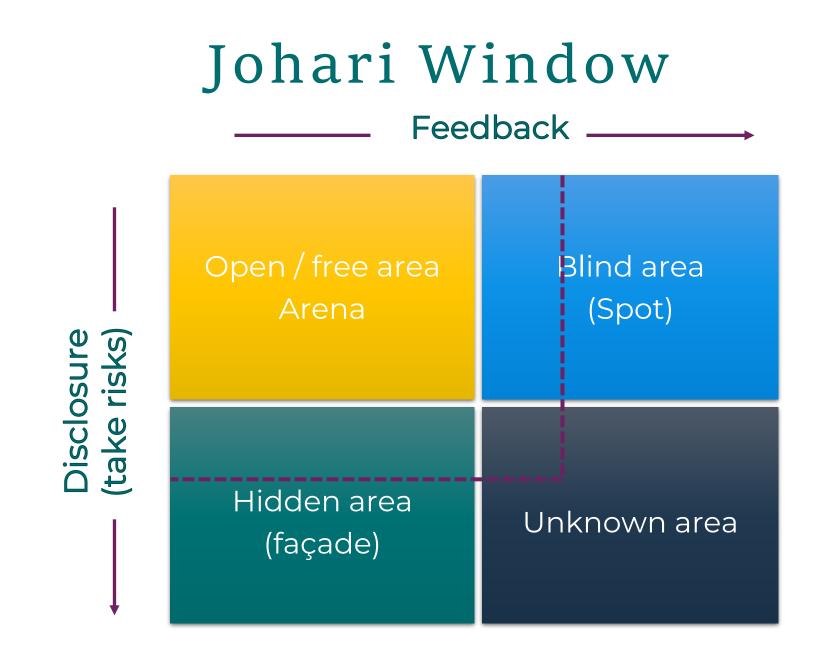
#### **Confidence and Inspiration**

Creating the conditions for team high performance with individuals having the confidence to speak and the motivation to do their best work

### Six traits of Inclusive Leadership

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#### Adair's Skill List of an Effective Leader

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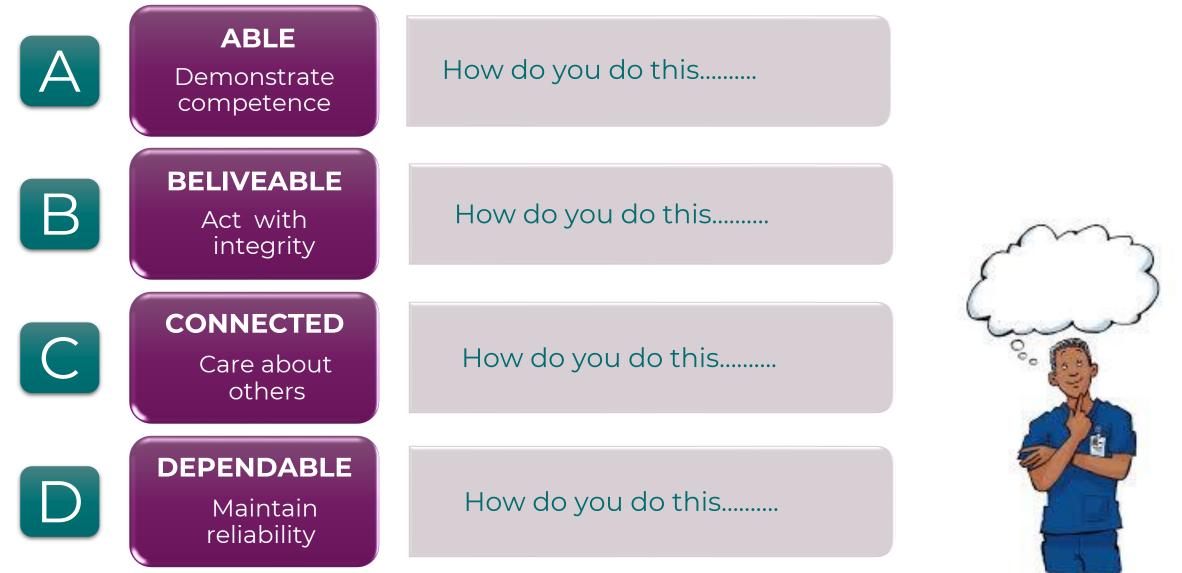
## Things to consider

- Using Adair's 7 characteristics of a leader, identify:
- How you could get more feedback to reduce the Blind Spot?
- How you could share more (appropriately) to reduce the Façade?
- Do things differently/take risks
  to reduce the Unknown?



#### Blanchard ABCD Model





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## **Behaviour**

'Our Shadow'

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**Unconscious Bias** 

**Beliefs** 

Values

## Stereotype, Prejudice, Unconscious Bias & Discrimination

Stereotype :

Are oversimplified generalisations about groups of people.

Like caricatures, which are pictures that exaggerate certain features while oversimplifying others and end up distorting the essence of an individual.

The thoughts

Prejudice :

Preconceived ideas based on little or no fact.

It is where we take an individual, attach them to a group, and have negative connotations towards that group.

The thoughts & feelings

Unconscious bias: I react to things positively or negatively without necessarily knowing why. *Our feelings* 

> **Discrimination:** Is stereotyping, prejudice or unconscious bias in action. When a person is treated less favourably than another.

#### Emotional Intelligence - EQ Daniel Goleman

(adapted from Meyer and Salovey)





# How does bias affect our actions?

Our bias affects us and our decision-making processes in a number of different ways:

- Perception how we see people and perceive reality
- Attitude how we react towards certain people
- **Behaviours** how receptive/friendly we are towards certain people
- Attention which aspects of a person we pay most attention to
- Listening how much we actively listen to what certain people say
- **Micro-affirmations** how much or how little we comfort certain people in certain situations



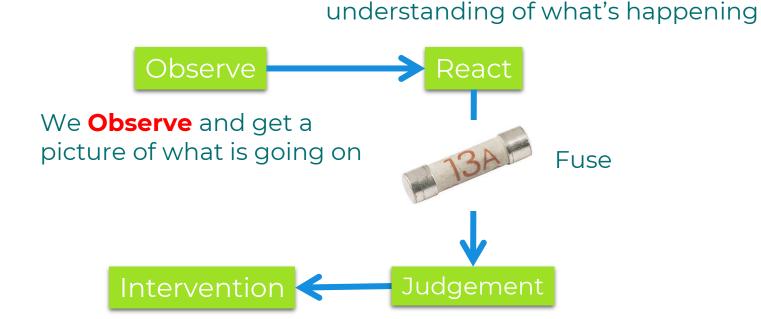
## Different kinds of unconscious bias

- Affinity Bias Favouring people who share the same social background, who look and sound like 'one of us.' We ignore the faults of people we like and notice the faults of those we don't
- **Confirmation Bias** Noticing or looking only for evidence which confirms our ideas, good or bad, and ultimately reinforces our original viewpoint
- Social Comparison Bias Having feelings of dislike and competitiveness with someone, or groups of people, that are seen as physically, or mentally, better than you
- Stereotype Threat Fearing being viewed through the lens of a negative stereotype and of doing something that would confirm it
- Gender Bias Including being viewed as less competent, over protection, and asserting dominance over
- Anchoring Effect Also known as the relativity trap, this is the tendency we have to compare and contrast only a limited set of items

## ORJI Model

Focuses on how what goes on inside your head affects your behaviour

By taking time to assess the situation, pictorially placing a fuse in the process, you give yourself time to reassess the situation and react more rationally



We **Intervene**, making decisions and taking action based on what we see, feel and conclude

We **Judge**, and draw conclusions based on our understanding and how it makes us feel and then;

We **React** emotionally to our

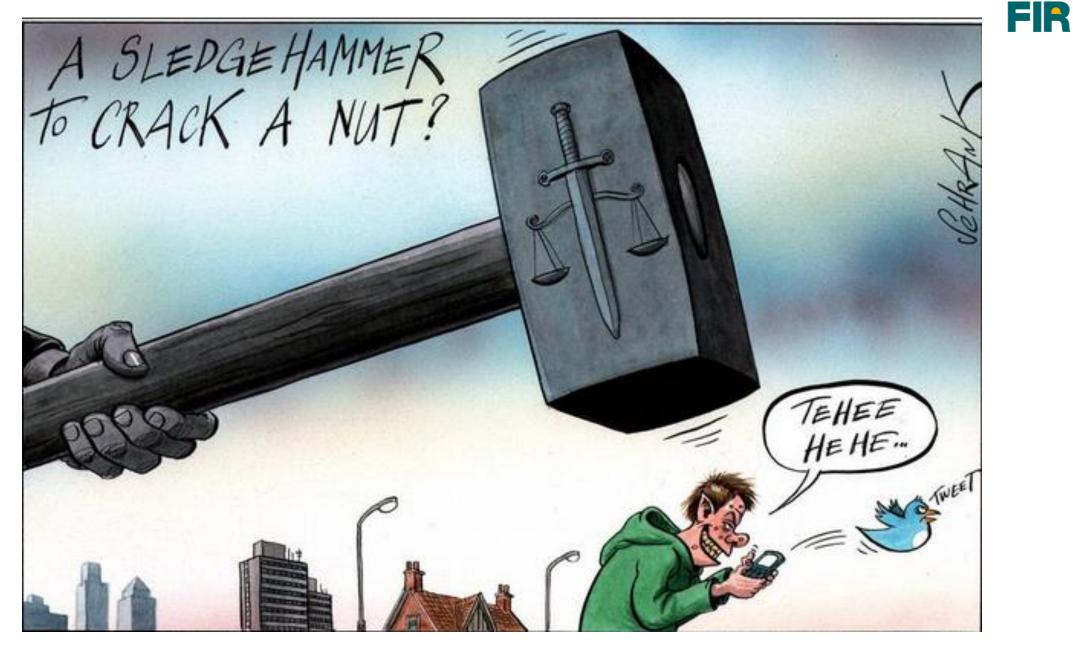
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Concepts around behaviours that I need you to consider throughout your day.....

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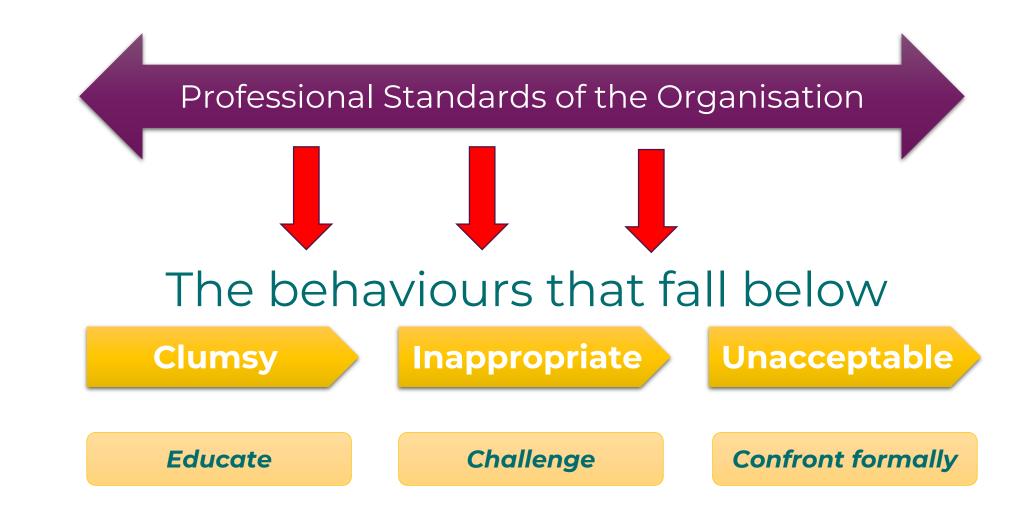






"Kevin was the name used to describe everyone of colour in a very derogatory manner, whether that be publicly or in the dressing room"

Azeem Rafiq December 2021





## What is the difference between Banter & Bullying ?



### **Difference between Banter & Bullying**



Banter has an important place in British culture and can often help in developing cohesive workplace relationships

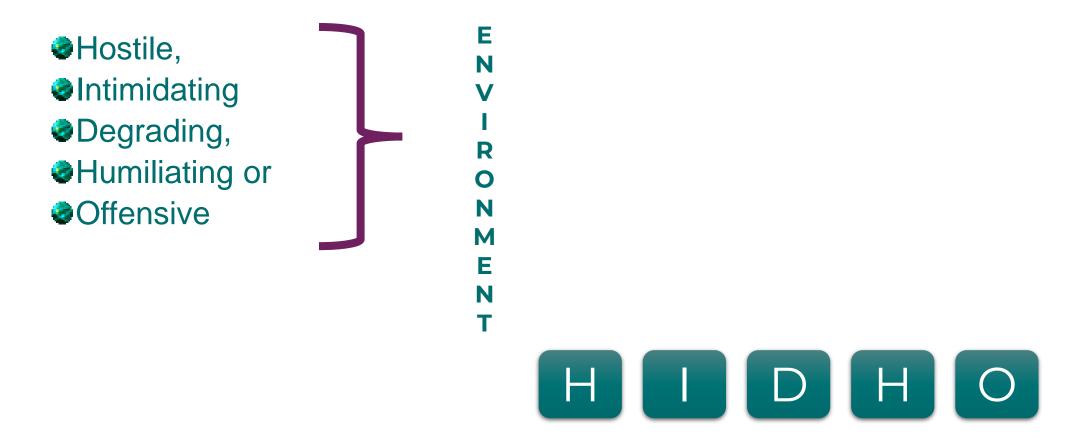
True banter is friendly and, most importantly, an exchange. It is neither designed to nor has the effect of, shaming, upsetting, belittling, offending or otherwise making anyone hearing it uncomfortable. It is a shared joke.



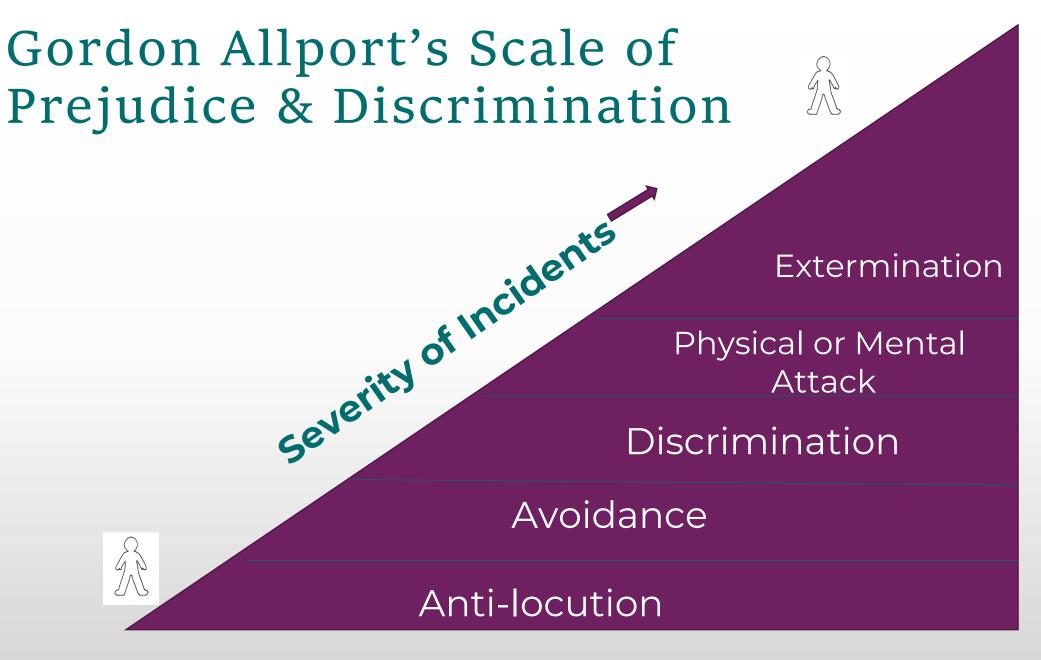
# What is the difference between Bullying & Harassment?

# Harassment & Bullying

Unwanted conduct which has the purpose or effect of violating someone's dignity or



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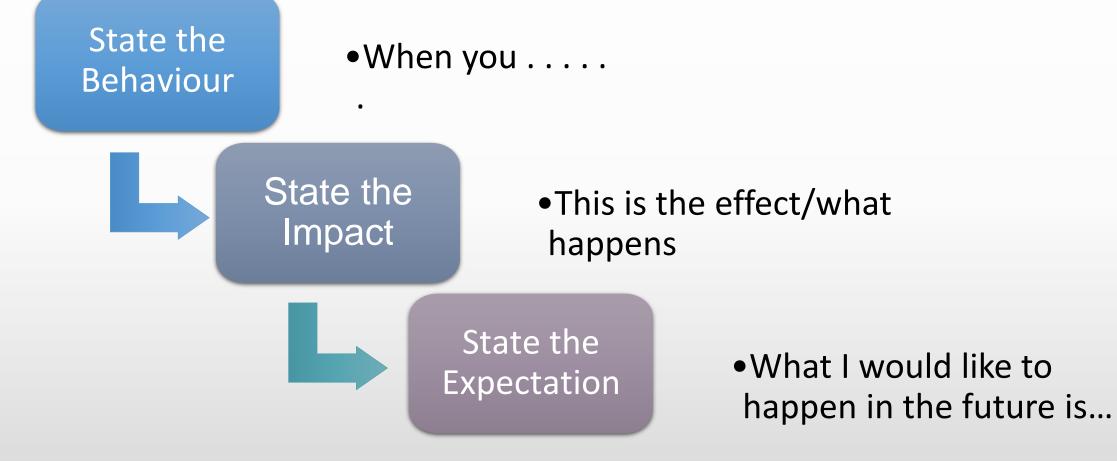
Frequency of Incidents



3 step approach to effective challenge

- **1. State the BEHAVIOUR/ISSUE**
- 2. State the IMPACT/EFFECT
- 3. State the ACTION/OUTCOME

# Three Step Approach

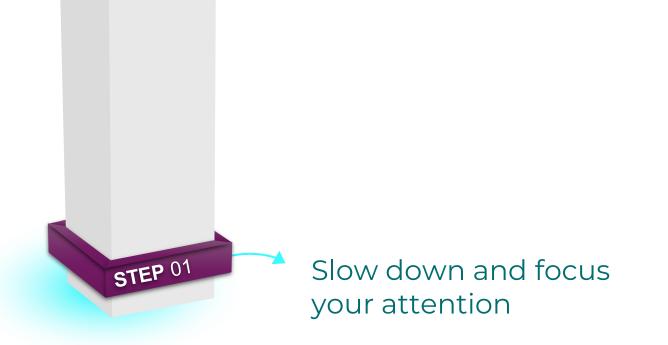




# Where do I go from here...?

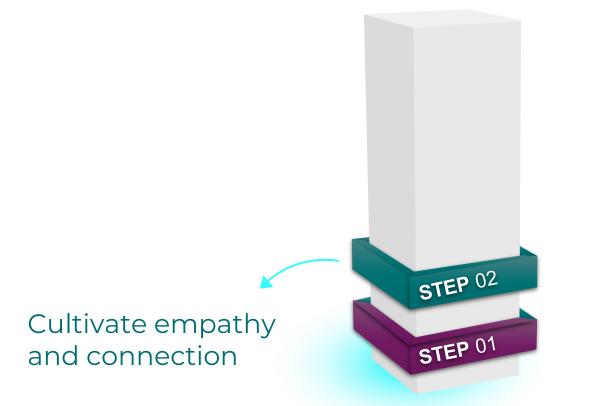
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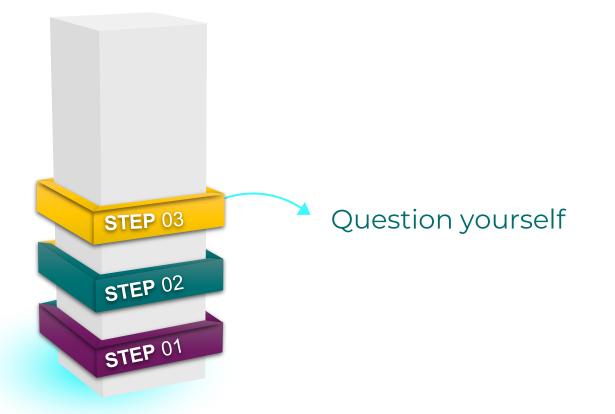
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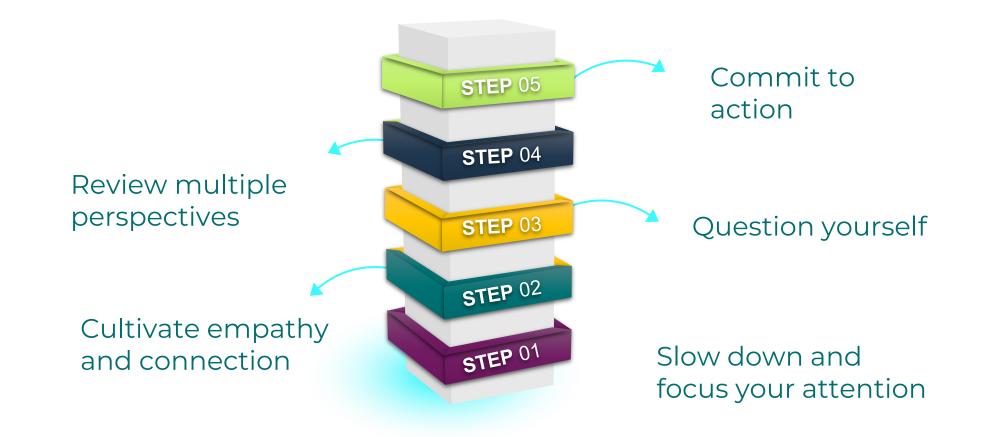
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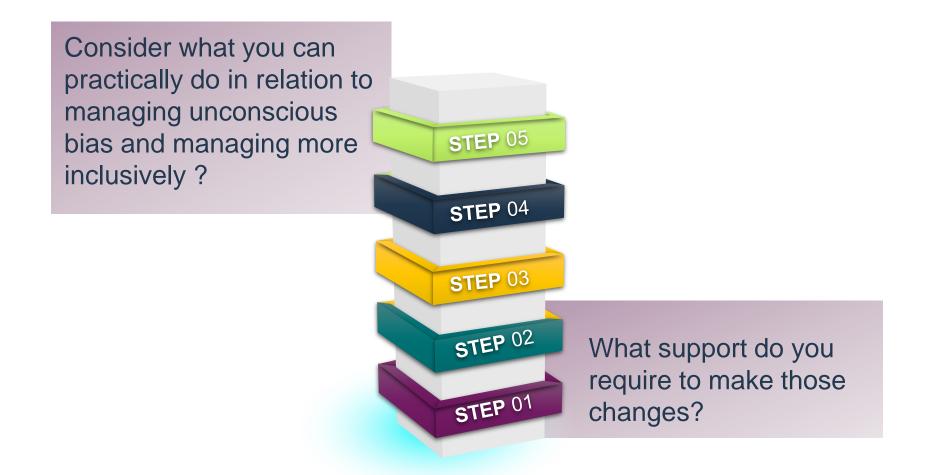
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# What do we do now?





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