

BOOST Training Transfer using
Predictive **Learning** Analytics™

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Agenda

- 1. Discover** meaning of term “scrap learning” & its impact on wasted organization resources & lost credibility with stakeholders
- 2. Analyze** how to build an algorithm that predicts which learners are **most** & **least** likely to apply what they learned in a training program back on the job & which managers of the learners are likely to do a **good** and **poor** job of supporting the training
- 3. Examine** the 3-phase, 9-step Predictive Learning Analytics methodology using data from an actual implementation
- 4. Examine** the 6 benefits of using Predictive Learning Analytics

**Scrap learning:
What is it?**



Scrap Learning

Term that describes the **gap** or **difference** between learning that is **delivered** and learning that is **applied** back on the job



**How big
is the problem?**



Poll

In the average organization, what percent of learning that is delivered ends up as scrap?

A. 25%

B. 45%

C. 65%

D. 85%

Benchmark Study 1

45%

Benchmark Study 2

> 15%

Applied new skills back on the job

< 20%

Didn't try to apply new skills back on the job

65%

Tried applying new skills back on the job, but reverted back

**Houston,
we have a problem!**

Source: James Lovell, Apollo 13 flight

The solution:

Predictive Learning
Analytics™

Definition

Predictive Learning Analytics:

Methodology for peering into the future,
at the conclusion of a learning program,
and predicting learner outcomes and actions,
with the intent of changing those outcomes
and actions for the better

PLA Mission

To provide L&D professionals
with a standardized methodology
for **measuring** and **managing** scrap learning

The PLA Methodology

PHASE 1: BUILDING THE METHODOLOGY




Select learning program & identify Calibration Cohort



Build PLA algorithm & create survey

Collect data & calculate **Learner Application Index & Manager Training Support Index** scores



Calculate scrap learning percentage & identify obstacles to training transfer




Peering into the future & predicting learner outcomes & actions

PHASE 2: IMPLEMENTING THE METHODOLOGY


Develop strategic follow-up activities to mitigate or eliminate obstacles to training transfer



Conduct Level 2 & 3 evaluations to validate accuracy of PLA algorithm



Recalculate scrap learning percentage following implementation of strategic follow-up activities




Changing those outcomes & actions for the better

PHASE 3: SHARING YOUR SUCCESS

Report results to business executives

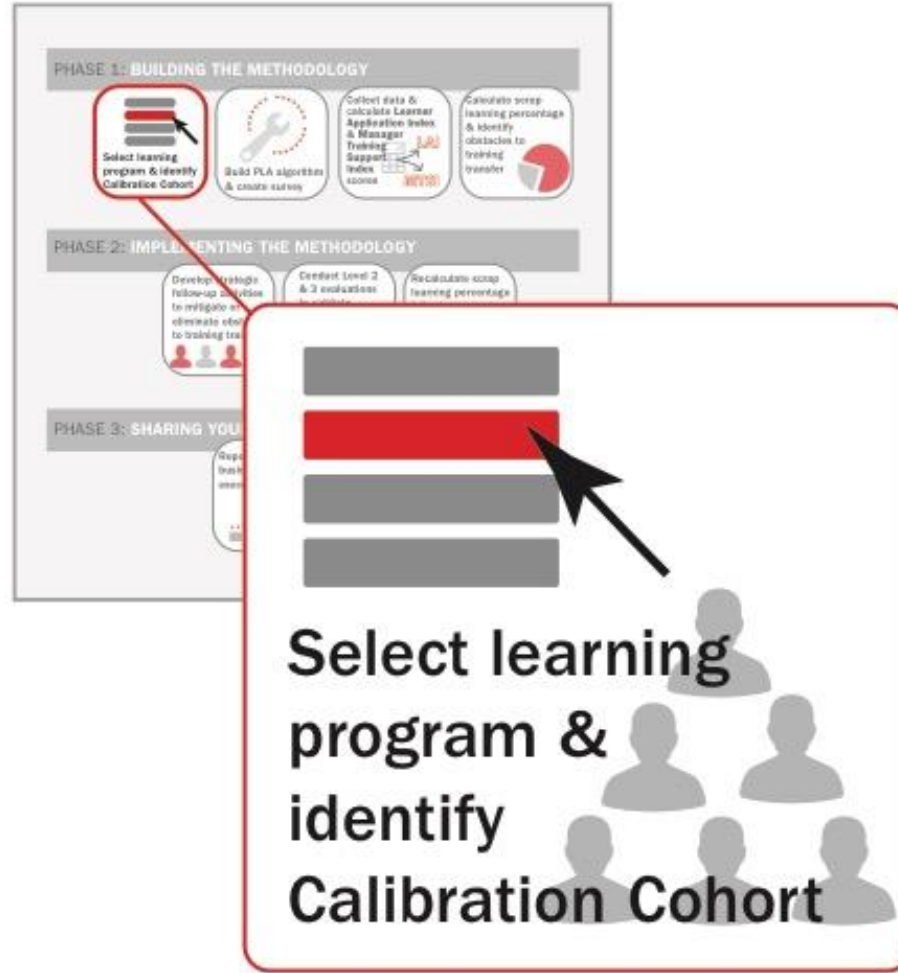


Add data from LMS/HRIS systems



Reporting your results

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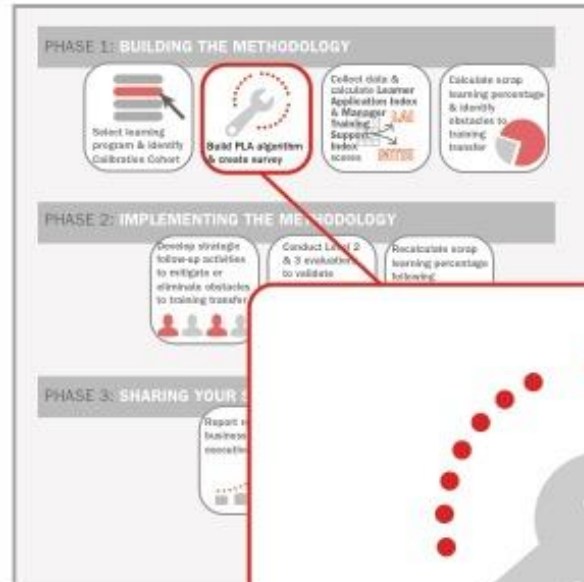


Select a Learning Program

Three Guidelines:

1. Planned learning initiative not informal learning event
2. Has a high profile
3. Large number of participants are scheduled to attend

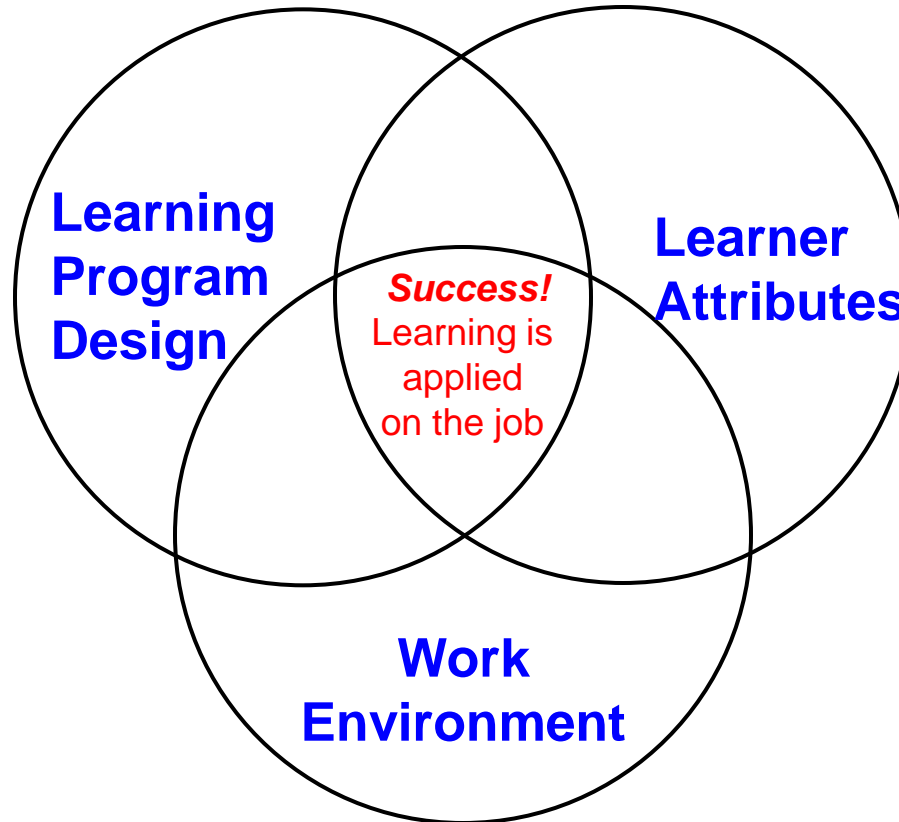
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**Build PLA algorithm
& create survey**

Algorithm is heart
of predictive process
& consists of 11 factors
or input variables
used to make training
transfer predictions

The 11 Factors



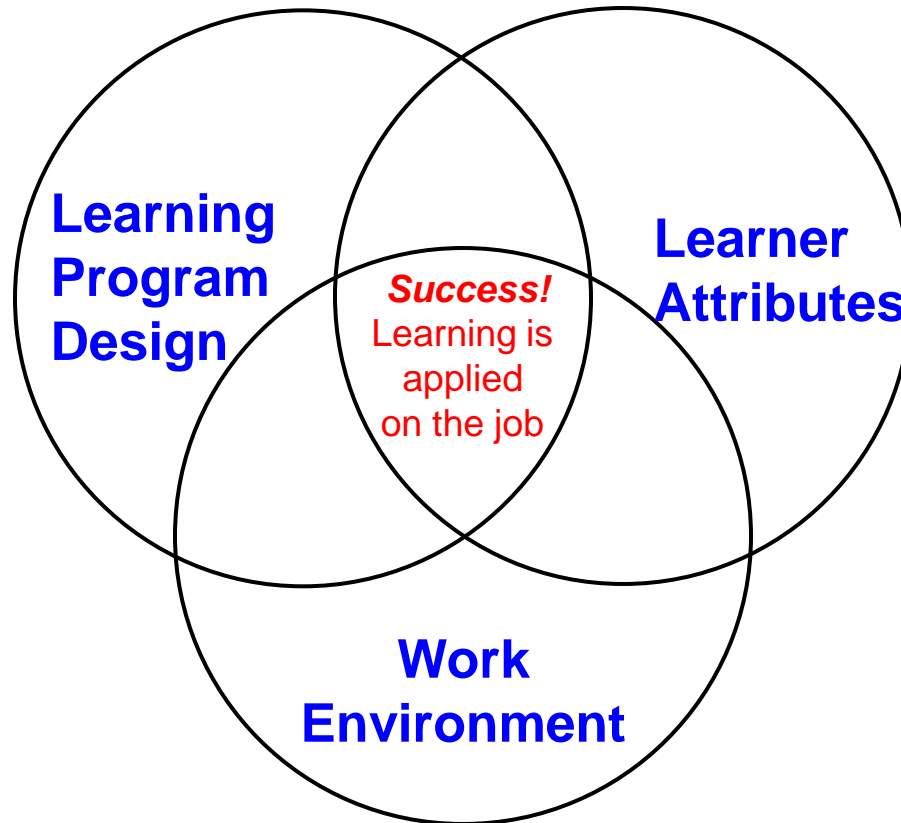
All factors are derived from 3 components of training transfer

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Keeping in mind the 3 training transfer components, what factors are you aware of that are known to contribute to training transfer?

Example: Training transfer increases when learners have an immediate opportunity to apply what they learned in a program back on the job (Work environment)

3 Training Transfer Components



Program Design Factors

1. **New information** is acquired
2. Program viewed as **relevant** to self and job
3. Program viewed as important **investment** in own career development
4. Likely improvement in **key department business metric** if new information learned is applied

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Learner Attribute Factors

5. **Personally motivated** to apply what was learned
6. **Confident** in own ability to apply what was learned
7. **Reflect** on key lessons learned & how they can help improve performance
8. View program as an **opportunity** to learn challenging new things

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Work Environment Factors

9. **Managers actively engage** learners, post-program, regarding what was learned
10. **Work colleagues support** learners, post-program, when applying new things learned
11. Learners have **immediate opportunity** to apply what was learned

Create a Survey

First

Convert 11 factors into survey items that reflect content of target program

Then

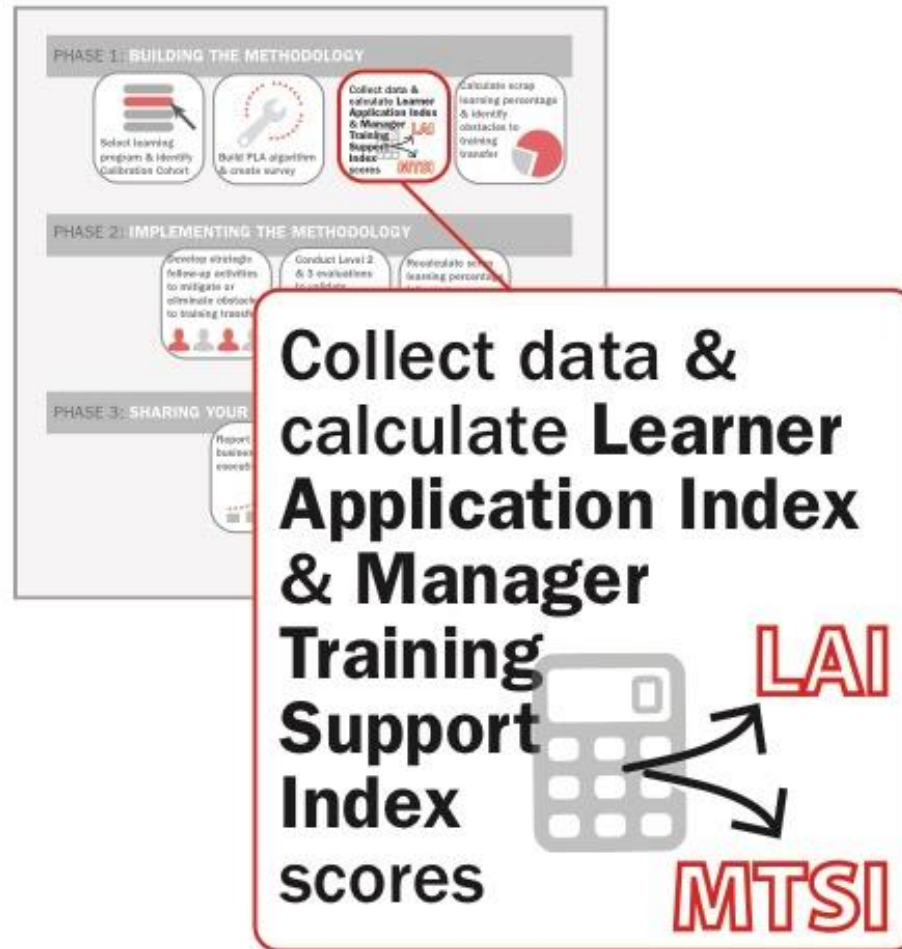
Incorporate survey items into an existing Level 1 evaluation or administer as a separate survey

Sample Survey Items

How relevant is the (insert program name) program to you and your job?

How confident are you in your ability to apply the knowledge, skills and behaviors you learned in the (insert program name) program back-on-the-job?

Phase 1: Step 3



Case Study

Company: Water utility in the UK

Business objective: Reduce absenteeism
and turnover

Learning program: Developing Personal
Resilience

Calibration cohort: 150 delegates

LAI Individual Scores

Most Likely to Apply

At Risk of Not Applying

Least Likely to Apply

| Most Likely to apply LAI: 6.83 - 6.12 | | At Risk of Not Applying LAI: 6.11 - 4.90 | | | | | | Least Likely to Apply 4.88 - 4.21 | |
|--|------|---|------|---------------------|------|---------------------|------|--------------------------------------|------|
| Learner PLA Code | LAI | Learner PLA Code | LAI | Learner PLA Code | LAI | Learner PLA Code | LAI | Learner PLA Code | LAI |
| 1047 | 6.83 | 1160 | 6.11 | 1162 | 5.69 | 1141 | 5.36 | 1035 | 4.88 |
| 1042 | 6.69 | 1049 | 6.10 | 1028 | 5.67 | 1021 | 5.33 | 1090 | 4.83 |
| 1121 | 6.69 | 1130 | 6.10 | 1046 | 5.67 | 1098 | 5.33 | 1069 | 4.81 |
| 1111 | 6.52 | 1152 | 6.10 | 1077 | 5.67 | 1157 | 5.33 | 1103 | 4.81 |
| 1037 | 6.50 | 1164 | 6.07 | 1114 | 5.64 | 1041 | 5.29 | 1108 | 4.81 |
| 1159 | 6.50 | 1082 | 6.05 | 1143 | 5.64 | 1126 | 5.26 | 1127 | 4.81 |
| 1002 | 6.40 | 1117 | 6.05 | 1022 | 5.62 | 1079 | 5.24 | 1158 | 4.81 |
| 1007 | 6.40 | 1029 | 6.00 | 1025 | 5.62 | 1134 | 5.24 | 1132 | 4.79 |
| 1071 | 6.40 | 1064 | 5.98 | 1030 | 5.62 | 1001 | 5.21 | 1054 | 4.78 |
| 1149 | 6.40 | 1097 | 5.95 | 1045 | 5.62 | 1032 | 5.21 | 1099 | 4.68 |
| 1156 | 6.40 | 1102 | 5.95 | 1065 | 5.62 | 1101 | 5.21 | 1153 | 4.68 |
| 1043 | 6.38 | 1112 | 5.95 | 1067 | 5.62 | 1006 | 5.19 | 1106 | 4.67 |
| 1115 | 6.38 | 1116 | 5.95 | 1015 | 5.52 | 1010 | 5.17 | 1050 | 4.64 |
| 1163 | 6.33 | 1138 | 5.95 | 1020 | 5.52 | 1076 | 5.17 | 1056 | 4.64 |
| 1166 | 6.29 | 1142 | 5.95 | 1023 | 5.52 | 1155 | 5.14 | 1105 | 4.62 |
| 1044 | 6.26 | 1118 | 5.93 | 1057 | 5.52 | 1123 | 5.12 | 1100 | 4.58 |
| 1087 | 6.26 | 1124 | 5.90 | 1063 | 5.52 | 1008 | 5.10 | 1088 | 4.52 |
| 1165 | 6.26 | 1074 | 5.83 | 1147 | 5.52 | 1039 | 5.10 | 1135 | 4.52 |
| 1061 | 6.24 | 1085 | 5.83 | 1018 | 5.50 | 1048 | 5.10 | 1119 | 4.50 |
| 1145 | 6.19 | 1092 | 5.83 | 1133 | 5.50 | 1055 | 5.10 | 1011 | 4.47 |
| 1027 | 6.14 | 1154 | 5.83 | 1026 | 5.48 | 1122 | 5.10 | 1073 | 4.45 |
| 1053 | 6.14 | 1036 | 5.81 | 1052 | 5.48 | 1125 | 5.07 | 1086 | 4.40 |
| 1058 | 6.12 | 1107 | 5.81 | 1068 | 5.48 | 1120 | 5.02 | 1062 | 4.38 |
| 1128 | 6.12 | 1148 | 5.81 | 1095 | 5.48 | 1150 | 5.02 | 1110 | 4.38 |
| 1129 | 6.12 | 1060 | 5.79 | 1140 | 5.48 | 1072 | 4.98 | 1024 | 4.21 |
| | | 1131 | 5.79 | 1059 | 5.45 | 1019 | 4.95 | 1083 | 4.21 |

Manager Training Support Index™ Score

| MGR | # | MGR AVE | LAI AVE | MTSI |
|------|---|---------|---------|-------|
| 1115 | 6 | 5.67 | 5.35 | 0.32 |
| 1939 | 3 | 6.00 | 5.79 | 0.21 |
| 1960 | 5 | 6.20 | 6.10 | 0.10 |
| 1921 | 4 | 5.00 | 5.63 | -0.63 |
| 1929 | 5 | 4.00 | 5.57 | -1.57 |

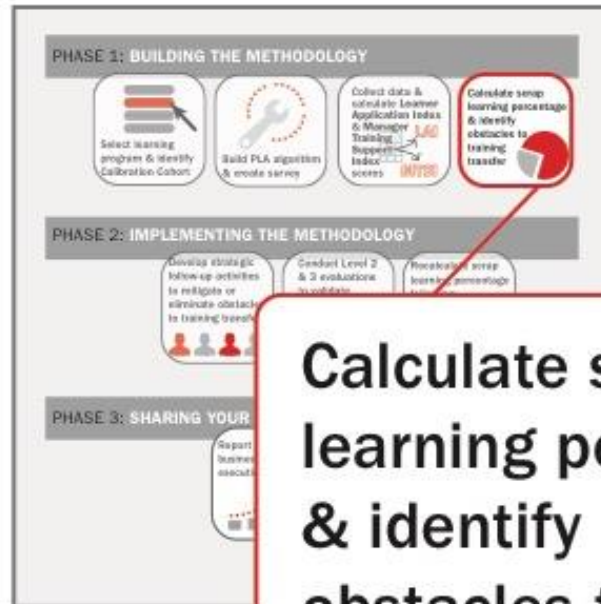
} Managers doing a good job

} Managers in need of help



Average LA score for all employees reporting to same manager & is an indication of training transfer potential
 Average score on factor measuring how likely manager is to be actively engaged with learner post-program regarding what was learned

Phase 1: Step 4



Calculate scrap learning percentage & identify obstacles to training transfer

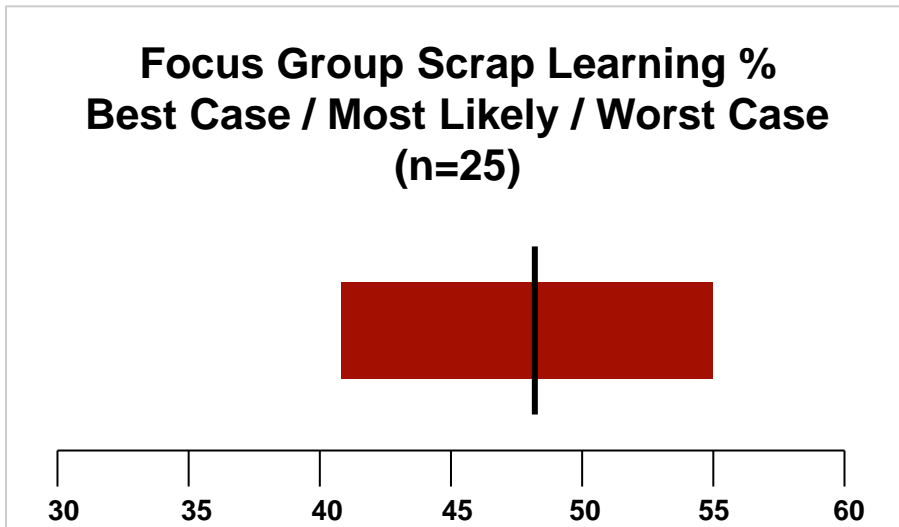


30 Days Post- Program:

Collect data from random sample of Calibration Cohort participants regarding:

1. % of program material applied back on job
2. Confidence level of estimate
3. Obstacles preventing application back on job

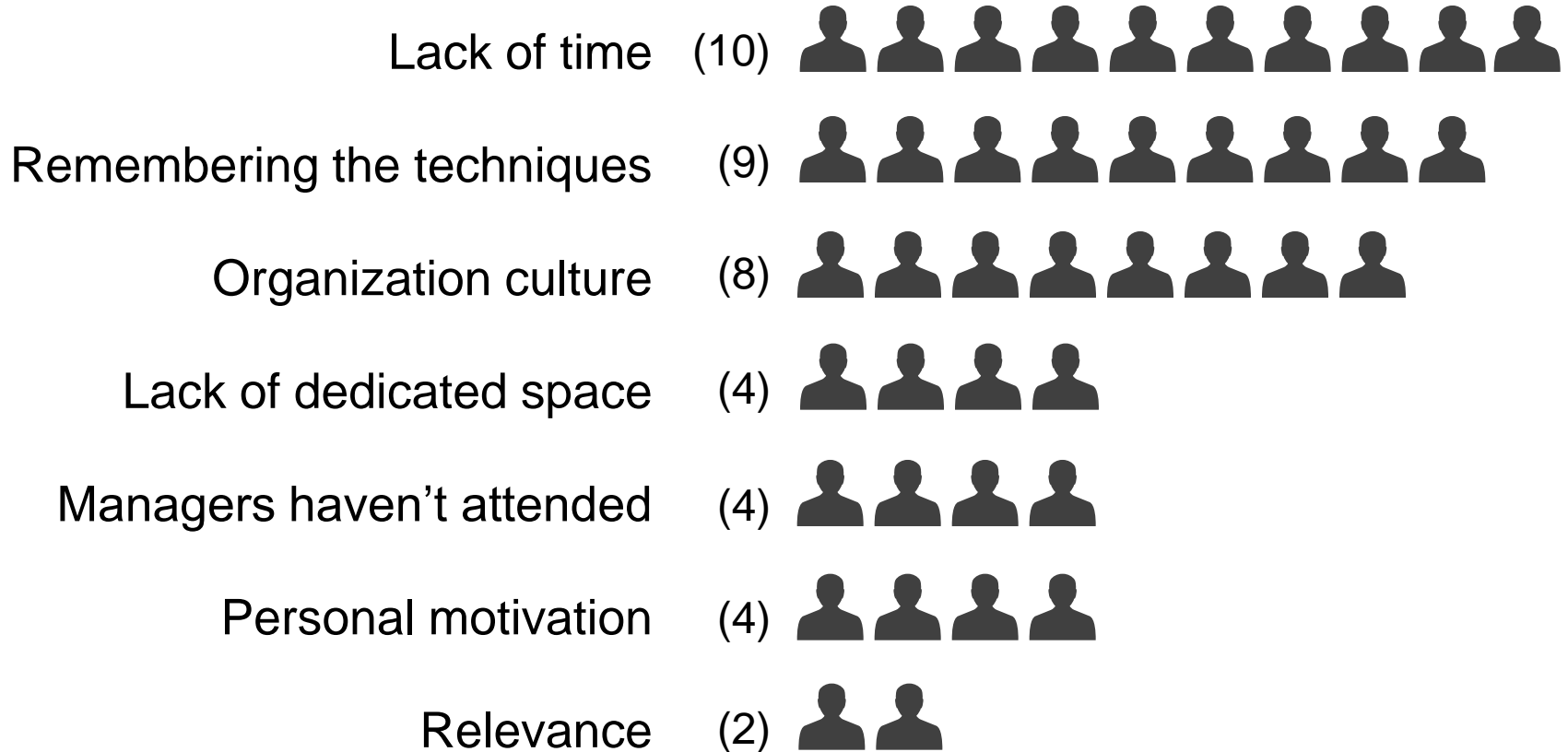
Scrap Learning Calculation



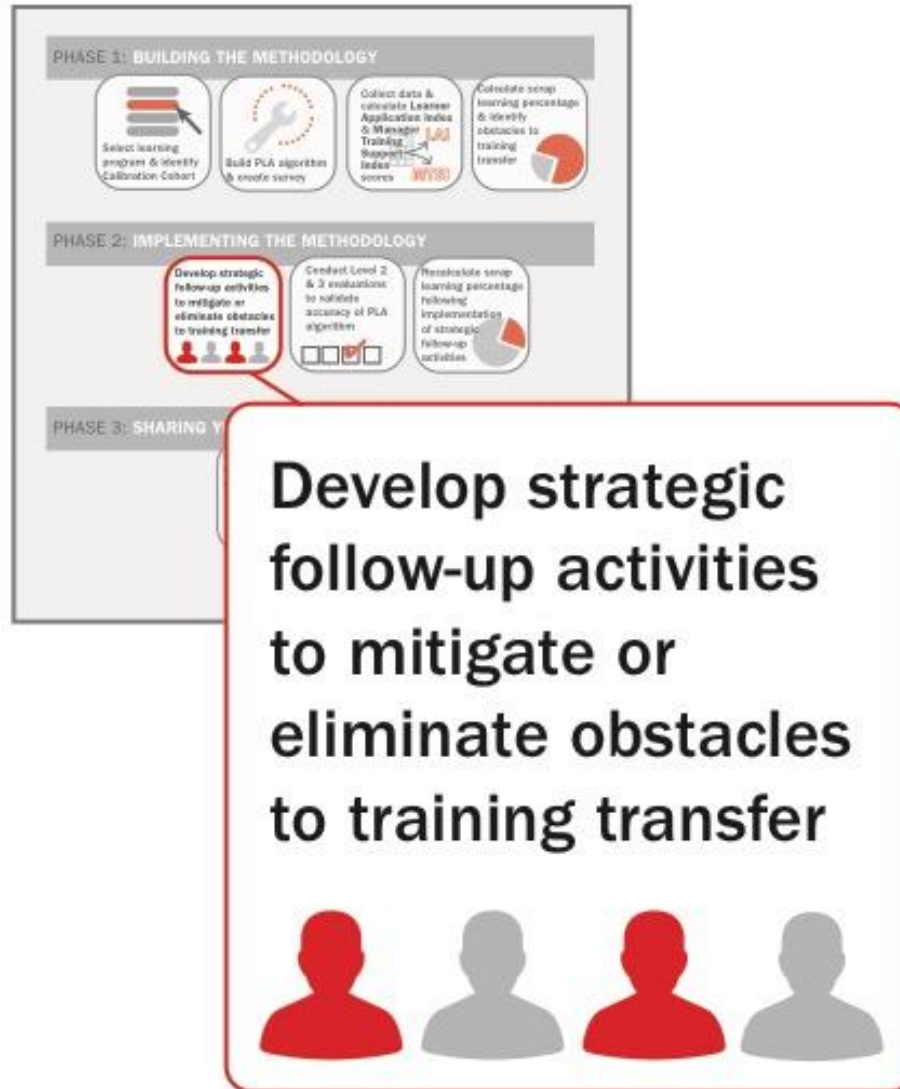
| | Baseline (Before PLA process completion) |
|-------------|---|
| Best Case | 41% |
| Most Likely | 48% |
| Worst Case | 54% |

These align with industry standards of 40% - 50% scrap.

Obstacles to Training Transfer



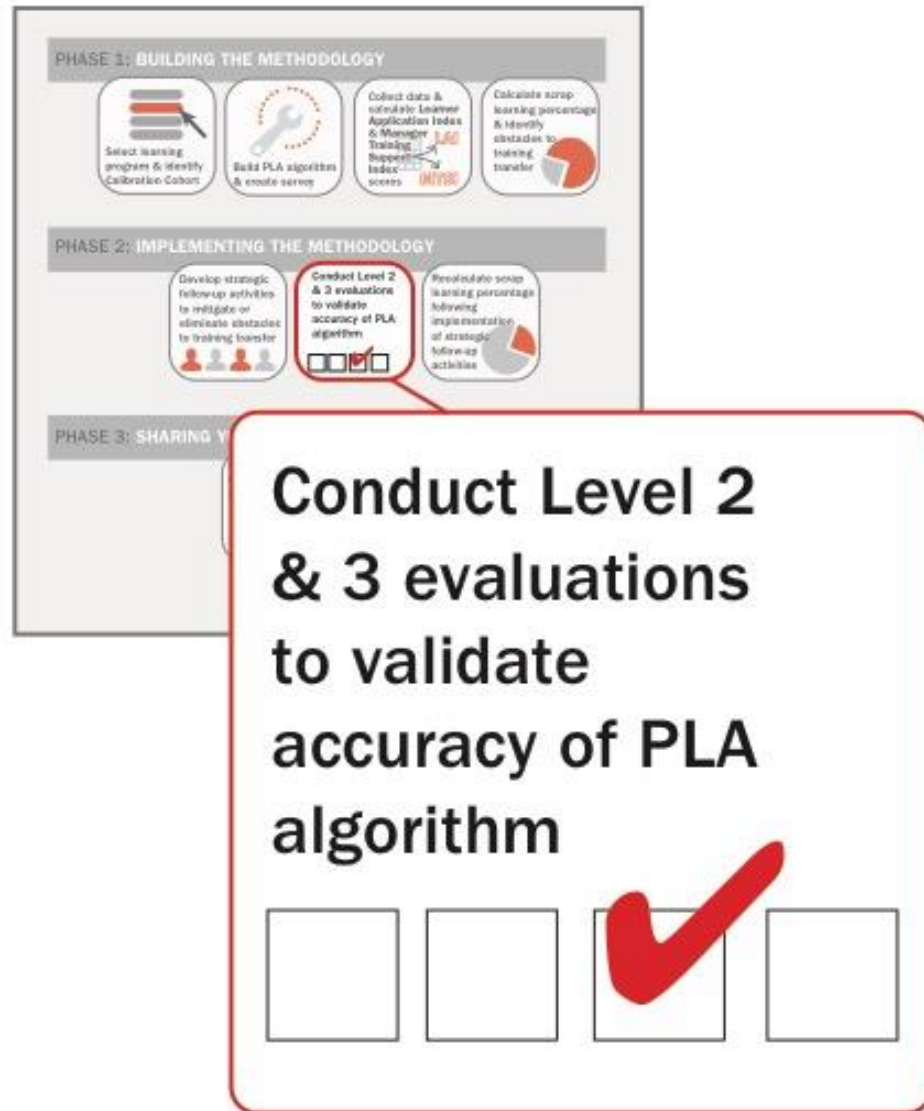
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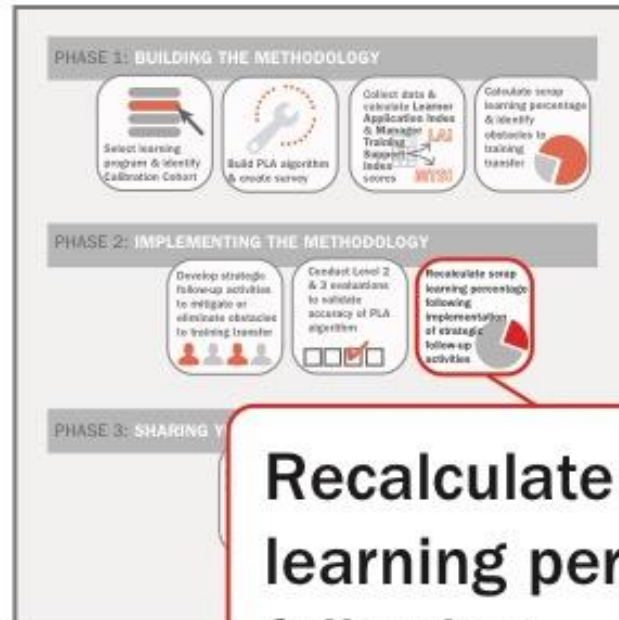
Strategic Follow-up Activities

- ✓ Email tips
- ✓ Job aid
- ✓ Private space identified
- ✓ Managers to attend workshop
- ✓ Executives to attend workshop

Phase 2: Step 6



Phase 2: Step 7



Recalculate scrap learning percentage following implementation of strategic follow-up activities

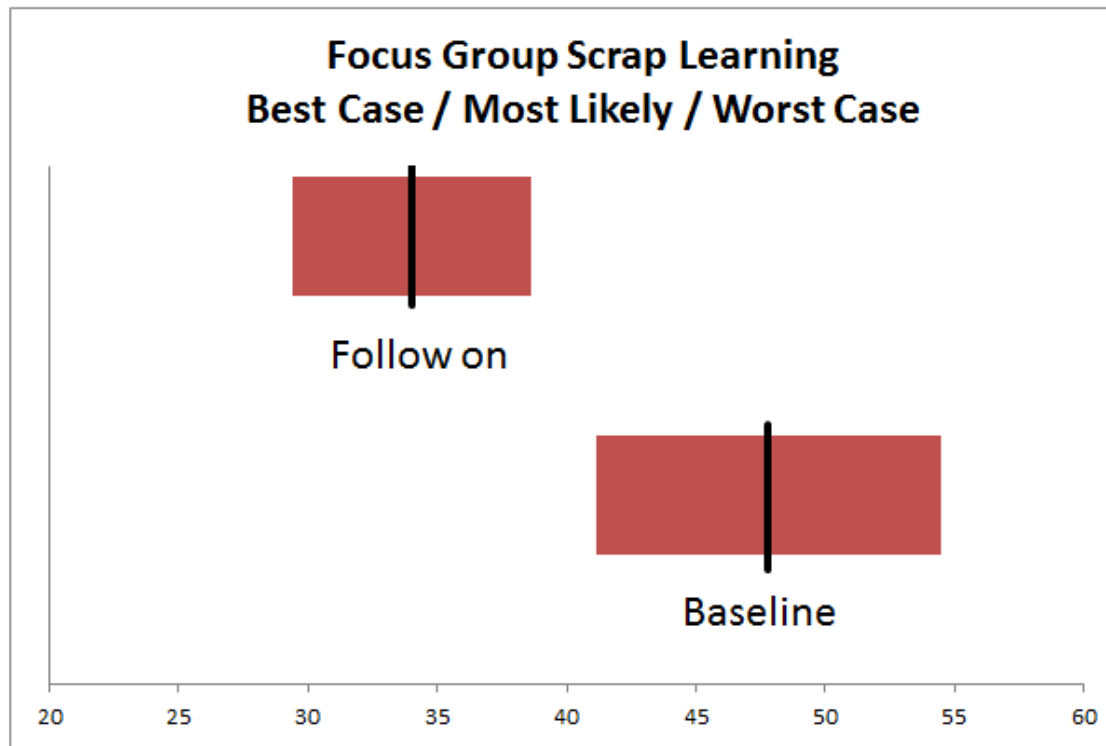


Recalculate Scrap Learning

After implementing strategic initiatives & using a **new wave of learners**, collect data from random sample of participants regarding:

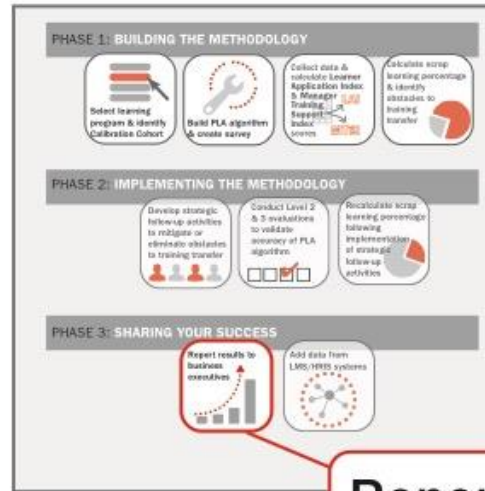
- 1.** % of program material applied back on job
- 2.** Confidence level of estimate
- 3.** Obstacles preventing application back on job

Scrap Learning Recalculation



| | Baseline | Follow on |
|-------------|----------|-----------|
| Best Case | 41 | 29 |
| Most Likely | 48 | 34 |
| Worst Case | 54 | 39 |

Phase 3: Step 8



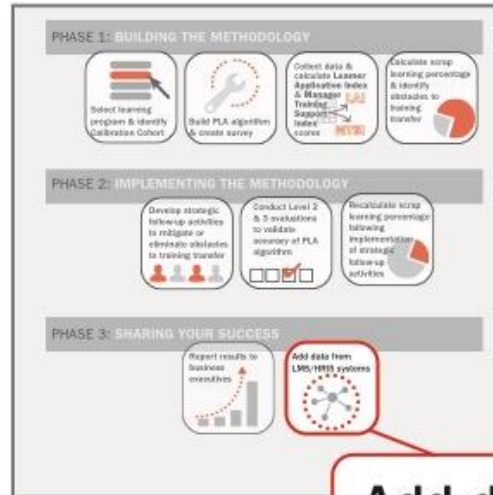
Report results to business executives



Training Transfer Lift

| | Baseline | Follow on | Lift |
|-------------|----------|-----------|------|
| Best Case | 59 | 71 | +12 |
| Most Likely | 52 | 66 | +14 |
| Worst Case | 46 | 61 | +15 |

Phase 3: Step 9



**Add data from
LMS/HRIS systems**



Benefits of Using PLA

1. Less money & time wasted on learning that is delivered but not applied back on the job – scrap learning
2. Increased personal credibility in eyes of business executive stakeholders

Benefits of Using PLA

- 3.** More effective & efficient use of follow-up activities by targeting participants who are **at risk** & **least likely** to apply what they learned in a program back on the job
- 4.** Objective way to identify managers who do a **poor** job of supporting learning so that their approach can be improved

Benefits of Using PLA

- 5.** Objective way to compare the overall quality of one learning program with another using a single number
- 6.** Enhanced reputation among L&D colleagues

Summary

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The issue of scrap learning
has been around forever.

But, what's different today is that with

Predictive Learning Analytics™

there now is a way to measure and

manage it.

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~ Ken Phillips



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Imagine you are on the L&D staff of the water utility company

Keeping in mind the obstacles to training transfer just mentioned, what types of strategic follow-up activities might be used to mitigate or eliminate them?

Obstacles to Training Transfer

