REFLECTION & CELEBRATION – QUICK GUIDE

FROM EFFORT TO ENERGISED MOMENTUM

Purpose:

To embed a culture of meaningful recognition, reflection, and celebration that fuels individual and team growth.

Why Recognition Matters

Recognition isn't just a feel-good gesture; it has profound effects on our brains. Practicing gratitude and giving positive feedback can rewire neural pathways, enhancing well-being and resilience.

The G.E.M. Reflection Template

GRATITUDE

What are you thankful for this week?

EXAMPLE

Describe a specific instance where you or someone else demonstrated excellence.

MOMENTUM

What progress have you made, and how can you build on it?

The A.I.R. Model Recognition Guide

ACTION

What specific action did the person take?

IMPACT

What was the result or effect of this action?

REWARD

What acknowledgment or appreciation is appropriate?

Example: "When you took the initiative to organize the team meeting (Action), it streamlined our project timeline (Impact). Great job!" (Reward)



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Recognition Language: Words That Stick

Choose words that resonate and reinforce positive behavior:

- "I appreciate your dedication to..."
- "Your effort in [specific task] made a significant difference."
- "Thank you for going above and beyond with..."

Celebration Planning: With and Without a Budget

With a Budget:

- Team lunches or dinners
- Gift cards or bonuses
- Professional development opportunities

Without a Budget:

- Public acknowledgment during meetings
- Handwritten thank-you notes
- Feature in company newsletters or emails

Next Steps:

- 1. Incorporate the G.E.M. reflection in weekly team meetings.
- 2. Use the AIR model to structure your recognition messages.
- 3. Plan monthly celebrations, considering both budgeted and non-budgeted options.



