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The Jumping Boy's Top Tips for November

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Forming, Storming, Norming, Performing

Half remembered by many people, from a course long ago, is one of the most valuable descriptions of how a group of people can change into a powerful team. This is the Tuckman Model of Group Dynamics.

Tuckman Stage 1: Forming

A new group is eager to get on with its task - though members are pretty clueless about what you expect of them. They are nervous and chat about everyday stuff like the weather and past jobs as they try and get to know each other.

Tuckman Stage 2: Storming

As the group gets to know what you expect of them, they will push back at aspects of your instructions - even at your authority. As they come to know one another, they look for friends and a part to play - and some will challenge others for influence over the group.

Tuckman Stage 3: Norming

The group will settle down and get on with its work. People now know what you expect of them and they are glad to get on with it. The whole group tries to find effective ways to work together and discover “norms” of behaviour.

Tuckman Stage 4: Performing

Finally, we all have a shared understanding of the group’s role and a commitment to getting it done. We get on well and help each other out. People take an individual responsibility for their own tasks and a shared responsibility for the whole job. The group has become a team.

Does this chime with your organisation? Let us help you get your team to the Performing stage and avoid falling into the 'Deforming and Mourning' stages! Our ILM accredited [3 day Management](#) and [2 day Team Leadership](#) courses run through the year.

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