

The background is a deep space scene. It features a vibrant blue nebula with wispy, ethereal clouds. A bright, multi-pointed star is visible in the center-right. A jagged, white lightning bolt strikes from the center towards the bottom left. The overall color palette is dominated by dark blues, bright blues, and white.

*Provoke,  
Evoke  
or Go Home!*

*Presencing Change is not an option*





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*Welcome*

# Welcome to Masterful Provocation

## Session 6

What and How to poke:  
Mental Models



# Overview

Here's what we're up to for this session:

1. Review – How are you doing? What are you doing?
2. The Key Agilities – Revisiting;
3. What Are Mental Models?
4. Examples
5. The key challenge to shifting them
6. Build A new model
7. Use the tools



# Session 2 Review

1. How are you doing with provoking so far?
2. What are you doing with provoking so far?
3. If you're not where you want to be in life, what are you not provoking?

There's NO guarantee you will become Masterful at this. You are the guarantee, not me.



# *Agilities Revisited*

Agility: the power of moving quickly and easily; nimbleness:



Presence



Sensing Acuity



Provocative Inquiry



Saying What Is

How are you practicing these?

# What is a Mental Model?

From the guy who created the term...Kenneth Craik

*“Mental models are representations in the mind of real or imaginary situations.”*

- *Conceptually, the mind constructs a small scale model of reality and uses it to reason, to underlie explanations and to anticipate events.*
- *These models can be constructed from perception, imagination, or interpretation of discourse. A mental model represents explicitly what is true, but not what is false.*

# *Mental Models aren't Truth*

They are by nature:

- Incomplete
- What a person thinks is true, not necessarily what is actually true.
- Constantly evolving
- Not accurate representation (contain errors and uncertainty measures)
- Provide a simple representation of a complex phenomena

**Basically, a built in blind spot in relating**

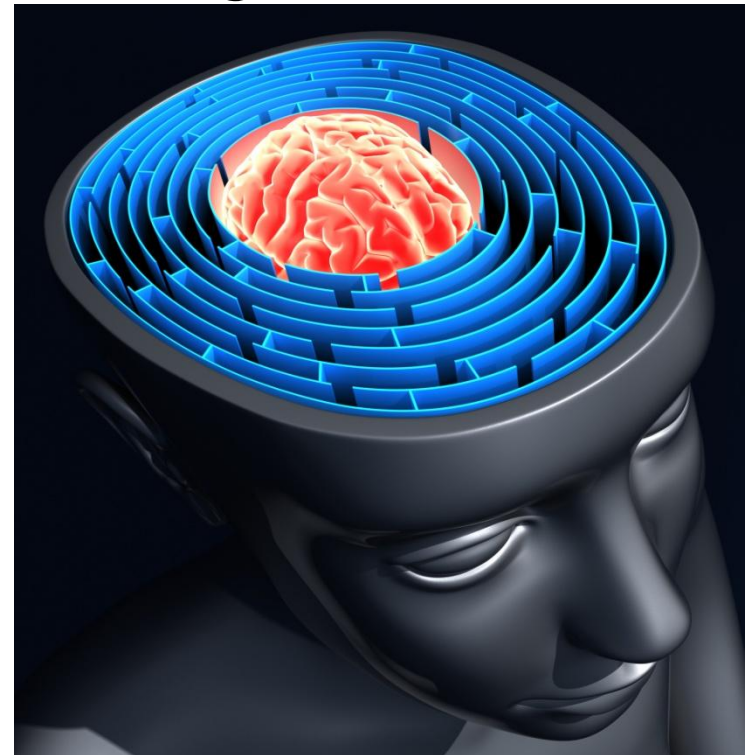


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# Mental Models Are...

*"The image of the world around us, which we carry in our head, is just a model. Nobody in his head imagines all the world, government or country.*

*He has only selected concepts, and relationships between them, and uses those to represent the real system."*







# Mental Model examples

Sometimes they are  
Hidden in language

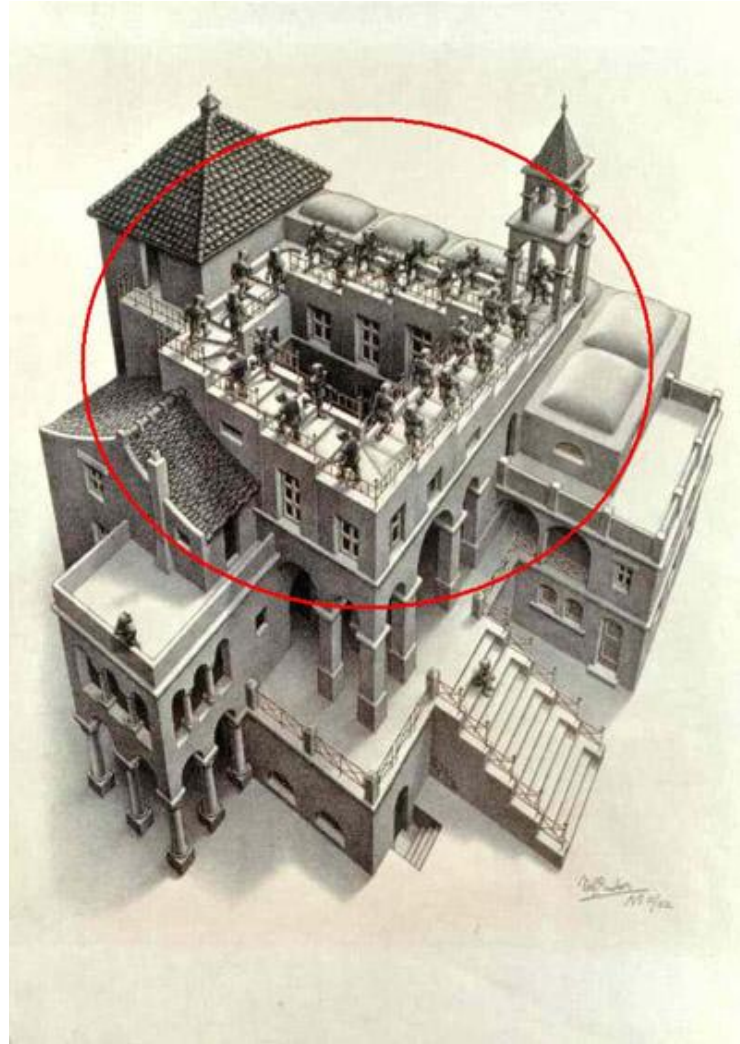
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# Mental Model examples

Mental Models often  
clash with what we're  
seeing





# Mental Model examples

Perception feeds the behavior in the model and informs choices...







# Mental Model examples

...In many directions



# *M* Shifting Model examples



# *M*Mental Model challenges



Fear that  
this...



# *M*Mental Model challenges

Will  
become  
this...



# *Mental Model challenges*



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# *How to Poke Models*

Start  
taking  
pieces  
away





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*Help Build New Ones*

# Frame New models



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# New Models





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# New Models





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# New Models



# *Mf* Subtracting the Fear

Baseline Experience = the GAP

GAP



SEE



CORE



WAIT



<http://greatlifetechnologies.com/pureawarenesstechniques.shtml>

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# *When In Doubt*

Rather than force the Provocation...



**WAIT!**