

Encouraging you to share ideas and expand your thinking

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TED is a series of provocative leaders and researchers from around the world who give brief, powerful talks which are recorded and placed as videos on the internet with open access for all.

Using TED

Libraries can use TED talks as a tool to share ideas and generate discussion in order for library staff:

- To be intellectually stimulated and inspired
- To generate creativity or expand thinking
- To align staff around a concept or vision

Tips for using TED talks for staff meeting discussion

- Viewing the TED talk
 - o TED talks under 6 minutes view together in meeting and discuss
 - o TED talks +6 minutes everyone watch ahead of time, discuss in meeting
- Facilitating discussion
 - o When 10 or less staff whole group discussion
 - When +10 staff break into discussion groups of 4-5 to discuss questions and report back, sum up
- Flow for discussion and sample questions
 - o Begin with personal reflection Which concepts resonated the most for you? What surprised you? What did you disagree with and why? What is the first thing that comes to mind after seeing this talk?
 - Relate to library environment How might this topic relate to the library? In your experience in the library, which concept applies the most? Least? Does (topic) challenge us to do things differently? If so, how and why?
 - Wrap up with plan for change How might you change based on what you heard? What will you take away from the TED talk and this discussion? How does this information affect the library and what we do? Do we need to change anything?

TED and other talks for discussion (find them at www.ted.com)

Under 6 minutes: Over 6 minutes: o 8 Secrets of success by Richard St. John Are we in control of our own decisions? by Dan o A circle of caring by Jok Church o A life lesson from a volunteer firefighter by How to live before you die by Steve Jobs Redefining the dictionary by Erin McKean Mark Bezos **Doodlers unite** by Sunni Brown See Sally research by Joyce Valenza How I harnessed the wind by William Stroke of insight by Jill Bolte Taylor Kamkwamba The Internet is my religion, Jim Gilliam (YouTube) **Life lessons through tinkering** by Gever Use art to turn the world inside out by JR What we can learn from spaghetti sauce by On being just crazy enough by Joshua Malcolm Gladwell What we learned from five million books by Jean-Try something new for 30 days by Matt Cutts Baptiste Michel & Erez Lieberman Aiden Why schools kill creativity by Sir Ken Robinson

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