

Sample Company

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Four Decisions™ Score = (+23%)



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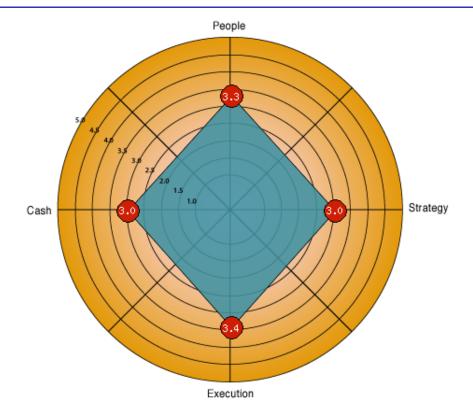


Each of these dimensions are comprised of ten (10) key performance indicators. These indicators are then combined into a single score to represent the overall performance in each dimension on a 0 to 5 scale.

Legend

- 0 1 = Poor performance (immediate attention required)
- 1-2 = Below Average (urgent attention should be given)
- 2-3 = Fair (high priority for further investigation of need)
- 3-4 = Very Good (strong performance that should be driven to the next level)
- 4-5 = Excellent (competitive advantage and profit area reinforce & reward)





Participants

- 1. Jean 1 (J1)
- 2. Jean 2 (J2)
- 3. Debbie 1 (D1)
- 4. Debbie 2 (D2)

Dimension Scores

People: Are all stakeholders (employees, customers, shareholders) happy and accountabilities clear?

3.3 (57%)

Strategy: Can you state your strategy simply and is it driving $_{3.0\ (50\%)}$ revenue growth?

Execution: Are all processes running without drama and driving industry leading 3.4 (60%) profitability?

Cash: Is Cash improving with growth and do you have sufficient cash to sleep well at 3.0 (51%) night?

Four Decisions™ Score

Participants' Four Decisions™ Score (FDS) is +23%.

People: Are all stakeholders (employees, customers, shareholders) happy and accountabilities clear?	J1	J2	D1	D2	Overall
The people in our business operate as harmoniously as I know they should.	2	4	4	4	3.5
2. Given the opportunity, we would enthusiastically hire every employee all over again.	2	2	4	3	2.8
3. We have an up-to-date accountability chart that each employee has seen in the last 90 days.	4	3	3	4	3.5
4. Leadership team members recognize that they have at least one leading and one lagging metric that they are responsible for each quarter.	4	4	4	5	4.2
5. The leadership team is consistently looking for and building relationships with talented people outside the company (even when there are no openings).	2	2	3	3	2.5
6. When hiring for new positions, we employ a structured interview process to select the correct candidate.	2	2	5	3	3.0
7. We measure Productivity Per Employee (PPE) and have a plan to double it over a 5-10 year period.	2	1	4	2	2.2
8. Our company follows a set of clearly-defined, written, posted and continually reinforced Core Values.	4	4	5	3	4.0
9. Our company's Core Purpose ('Why do we exist') is clearly defined.	4	4	5	2	3.8
10. The people in our business operate as productively as I know they should.	2	2	4	5	3.2
Category Totals:	2.8	2.8	4.1	3.4	3.3



Strategy: Can you state your strategy simply and is it driving revenue growth?	J1	J2	D1	D2	Overall
Each of our employees can articulate the company's long-term lofty goal, also known as our 'Big Hairy Audacious Goal' (BHAG).	5	4	3	3	3.8
2. We have a visual dashboard of Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) that accurately measure our value from the customer's perspective.	2	2	4	4	3.0
Our managers can clearly articulate our company's strategy in a single sentence.	2	2	3	4	2.8
4. The senior leadership team sets aside a minimum of 1/2 day per month for the purpose of thinking strategically about the business.	3	4	4	2	3.2
5. We have a single, clear and consistently-tracked metric that represents the 'economic engine' of our business.	4	4	3	4	3.8
6. We have identified specific, measurable variables that influence company growth.	3	2	4	3	3.0
7. Our executives, managers and supervisors consistently take time to review company progress toward quarterly and annual objectives.	2	3	5	4	3.5
8. We have a clear understanding of what motivates our customers to do business with us.	2	1	3	3	2.2
9. If we allowed our customers to pay what they feel our products/ services were worth, they would pay 100% of our invoices every time.	2	3	4	2	2.8
10. We have a clear, unique and measurable Brand Promise (competitive advantage/value proposition) that meets our core customer's needs.	1	1	3	3	2.0
Category Totals:	2.6	2.6	3.6	3.2	3.0

Execution: Are all processes running without drama and driving industry leading profitability?	J1	J2	D1	D2	Overall
1. We are making progress toward the company's goals, and rarely spend time responding to crises.	1	1	3	4	2.2
2. We have Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) which are used effectively to track employee progress and ensure alignment with established priorities.	2	4	5	5	4.0
3. We have a designated 'situation room' or area where meetings are held and KPIs and priorities are displayed.	4	2	5	4	3.8
4. I'm confident that each employee can clearly articulate our top three quarterly priorities and their role in attaining them.	2	1	5	5	3.2
5. We consistently receive feedback from our customers on how we are doing and what they have heard about our competitors.	2	3	4	4	3.2
6. We assign employee names and deadlines to action items established during meetings and review the status of each during the following meeting.	3	2	5	4	3.5
7. We have regularly-scheduled meetings to align activities with company priorities and identify and solve miscommunications.	4	4	4	5	4.2
8. Our company has at least three leading and three lagging Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) that support our quarterly priorities.	4	4	5	3	4.0
9. We have an effective process for employees to offer suggestions and feedback, in order to enhance our culture and strengthen our team.	1	2	4	4	2.8
10. We have clearly-defined metrics assigned to each priority in our plan, which are regularly updated and visually displayed.	2	2	4	4	3.0
Category Totals:	2.5	2.5	4.4	4.2	3.4



Cash: Is Cash improving with growth and do you have sufficient cash to sleep well at night?	J1	J2	D1	D2	Overall
We qualify our customer's credit worthiness to prevent them from using us as a bank.	1	1	3	3	2.0
2. We consistently review 12-month cash flow projections with our financial team.	4	4	4	4	4.0
3. We have a solid understanding of how much revenue each employee generates.	1	1	5	3	2.5
4. We have an accurate understanding of how much it costs to acquire a new customer.	2	1	4	5	3.0
5. We have an accurate understanding of the average lifetime value of each customer.	3	2	4	3	3.0
6. We regularly pursue ideas for reducing our cash conversion cycle (the period of time from placing \$1 of working capital into daily operations until it returns as cash collected).	1	2	3	3	2.2
7. We have effective accounts payable and accounts receivable policies.	3	1	5	4	3.2
8. We have a clear understanding of how to efficiently manage inventory and accounts receivables to minimize our cash conversion cycle.	4	2	4	3	3.2
9. We have a solid understanding of the cost of each employee.	2	1	3	4	2.5
10. Our financial statements are accurate and timely.	5	4	5	5	4.8
Category Totals:	2.6	1.9	4.0	3.7	3.0