

8 Step Problem-Solving Process

* Assumes a facilitator and a black/white board or flip-chart.

1. Introduce the members of the group or team and note their expectations of the meeting(s).

2. Identify the Question.
(Normally in the form of a question.)

How can we ... ?

3. Identify Facts and Feelings related to the question.

(These are not edited by the group or the facilitator: all facts and feelings are OK and relevant.)

Space LUNCH? Calendar
 ↙ Don't like steamboats
 Time Continuum
 Computers are intimidating

-- Normally a break happens here, to allow the facilitator to sort the "Facts and Feelings" into groups --

4. Identify Resources on Hand

5. Identify Resources Needed

Resources	
On Hand	Needed
1	1
2	2
3	

6. Identify Strategies to address the question.

(Normally it is a good idea to "check off" Facts and Feelings" to be sure everyone's concerns are addressed.)

Strategies:
 1
 2
 3
 4

7. Assign Responsibilities to carry out the strategies.

8. Evaluate (later - but it is a good idea to identify specific time lines or meeting times while we're all still here.)

Strategies	Responsible:
1	- Heinrich
2	- Prunella
3	- Niki
4	- Dr. Bob

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