

Teacher guide

Change management – CMI

Where does the lesson fit?

This is a stand-alone session that would fit in a strategy module. The main activity is an investigation which would require additional time to complete, either in subsequent lessons or during the students' own time.



Suggested resources & activities related to change management and CMI

- Full CMI case study
- Change Management PowerPoint
- Change Management lesson resources
- CMI crossword
- CMI word search

Suggested timings for the session

- 10 mins Starter e.g. CMI word search
- 5 mins Use the Change Management PowerPoint to discuss the topic
- 5 mins Read the case study
- 10 mins Questions
- 25 mins Introduction to task
- 5 mins What have you learned?

Answers to questions

- Identify two things that might occur in the external environment which will require an organisation to make changes. Examples include:
 - the introduction of new legislation
 - the development of new technology
 - changes in the economy
 - market fluctuations.
- 2. Describe the two types of decisions that may need to be made. The two types of decisions are:
 - Strategic these usually affect the whole organisation and are generally made by senior managers. Strategic decisions have long term implications.



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- Tactical these usually short to medium term decisions made on a department bases
- 3. Explain some potential barriers to change. Barriers to change include:
 - the culture of an organisation resisting the power structure
 - managers feeling threatened by the process of change
 - resistance from employees
 - a lack of understanding about why change is to take place
 - a lack of communication or trust
 - employees fearing the unknown.
- 4. Analyse why effective communication is so important in managing change. Effective communication:
 - reaches the correct stakeholders
 - lets stakeholders know the reasons for change
 - allows stakeholders to ask questions
 - encourages stakeholders to be involved in the change process
 - helps to avoid rumours.

What have you learned?

- 1. Some workers will resist change TRUE
- 2. Good communication with employees will help to make the process more effective TRUE
- 3. Change occurs very rarely FALSE
- 4. Improving technology can be a driver for change TRUE
- 5. It is better if employees are not involved in the change process FALSE
- 6. Change is usually quick and inexpensive FALSE