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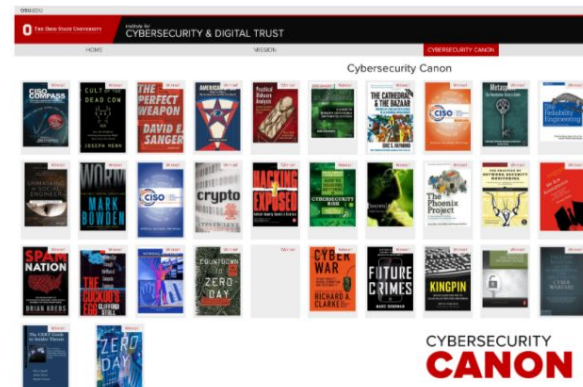
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Free Educational Resource

A Curated Catalog of Must-Read Security Books

What is the Cybersecurity Canon Project ?

*"**Must-read** books for all cybersecurity practitioners—be they from industry, government or academia—where the content is **timeless**, genuinely represents an aspect of the community that is **true and precise**, reflects the highest **quality** and, if not read, will leave a hole in the cybersecurity professional's education that will make the practitioner incomplete."*

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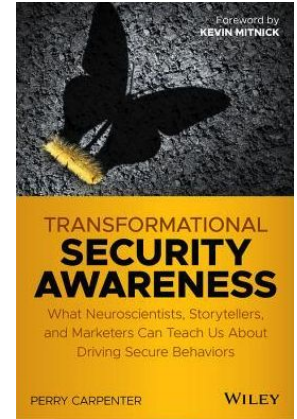
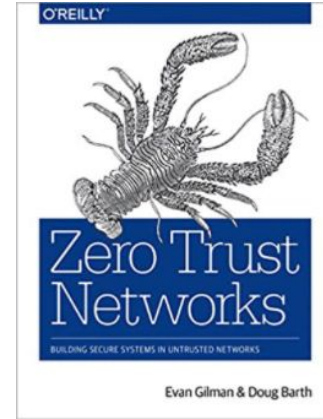
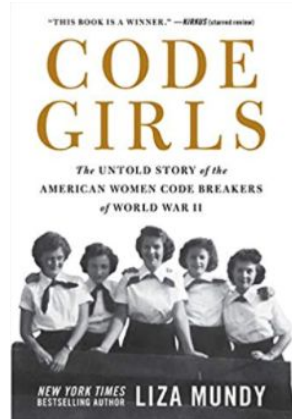
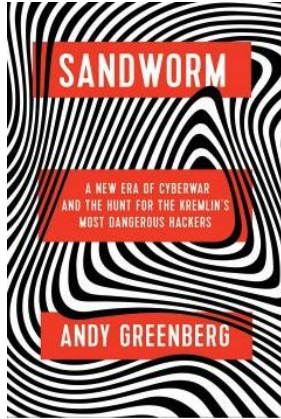
How Can You Get Involved?

- Read a Security Book
- Write A Review
- Submit the Review, with
Recommendation, to the Committee

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adjective

- 1 causing fear or discouragement; intimidating



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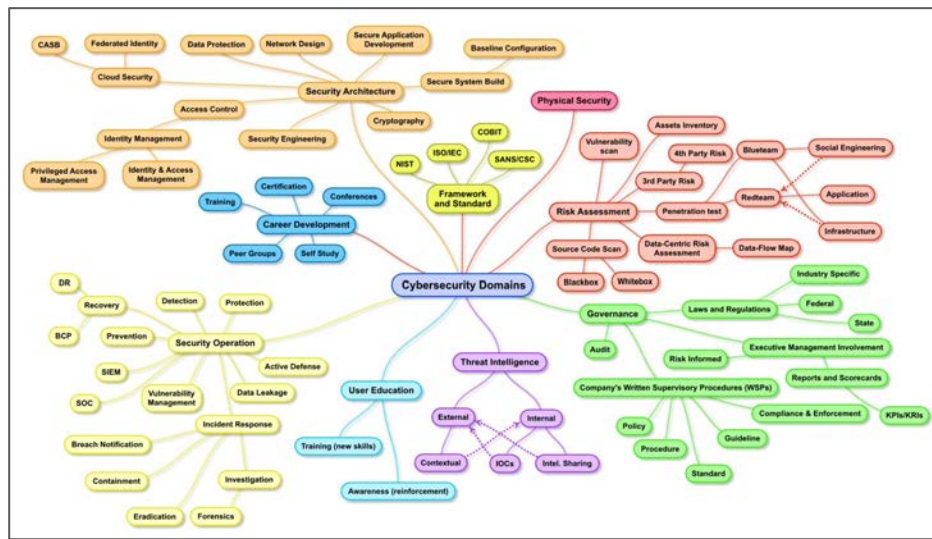
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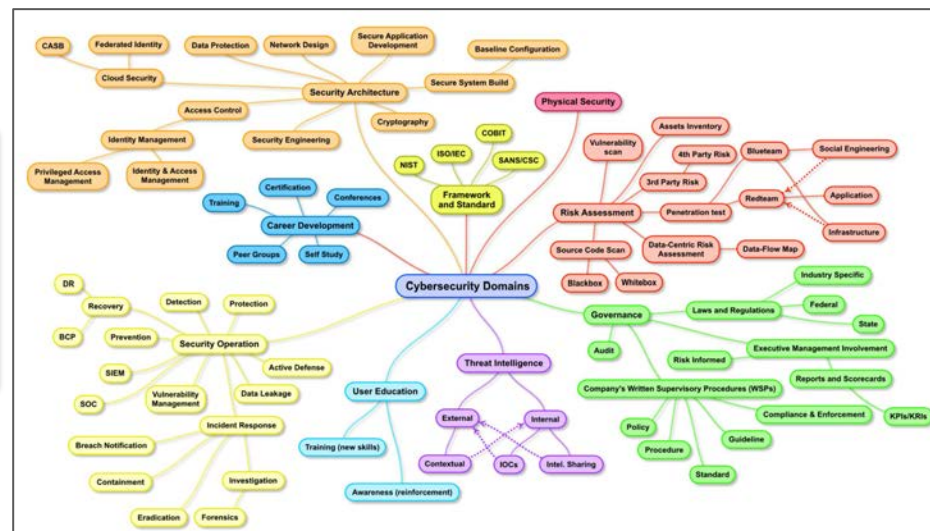
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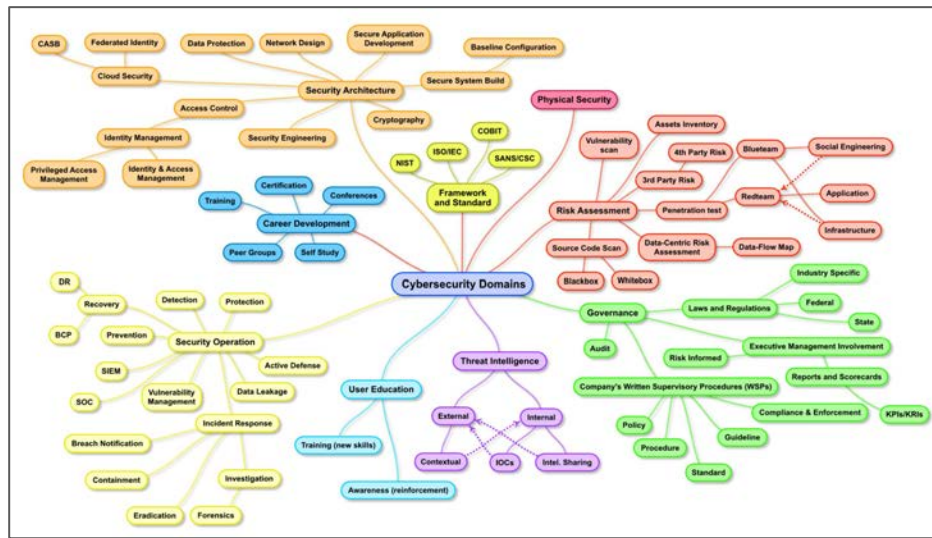
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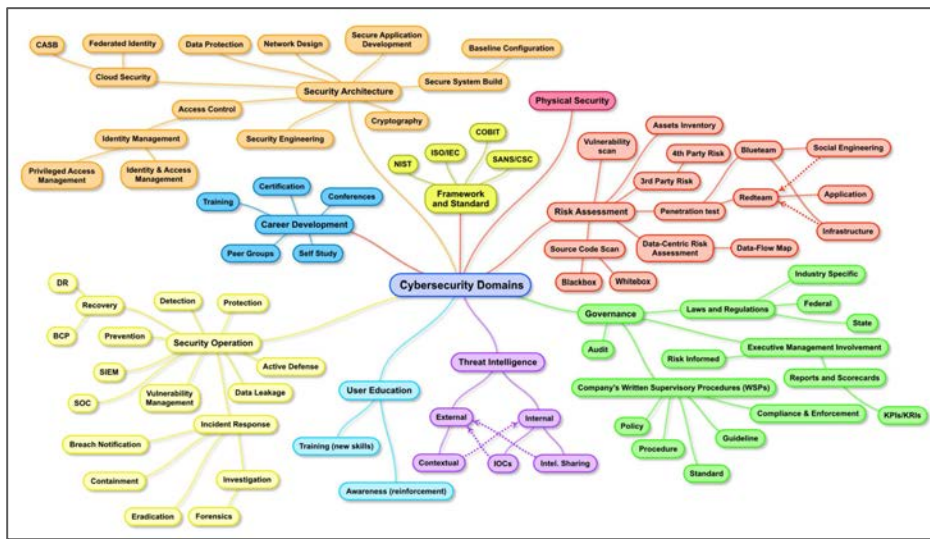
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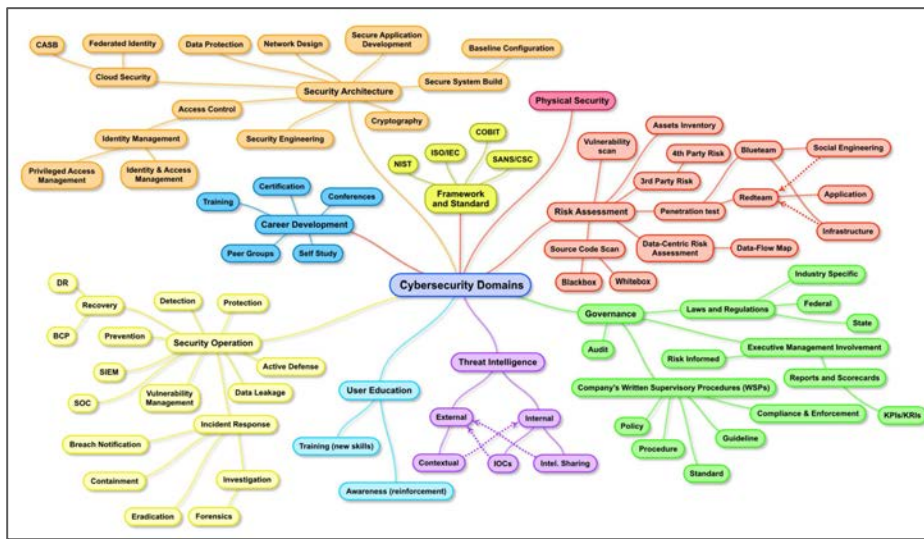
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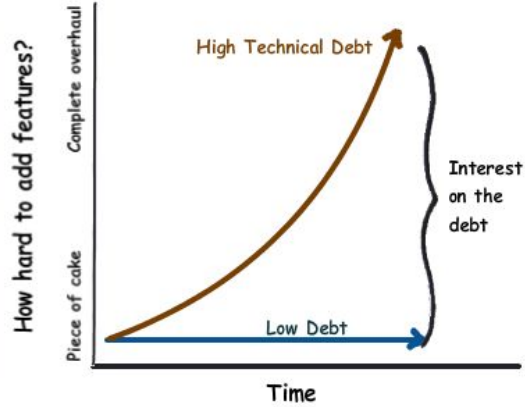
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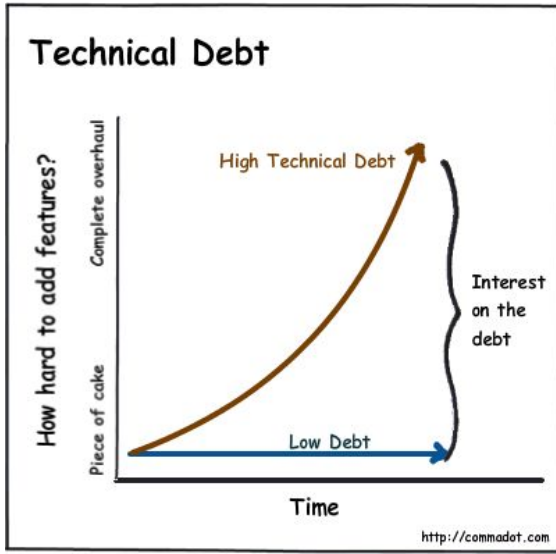
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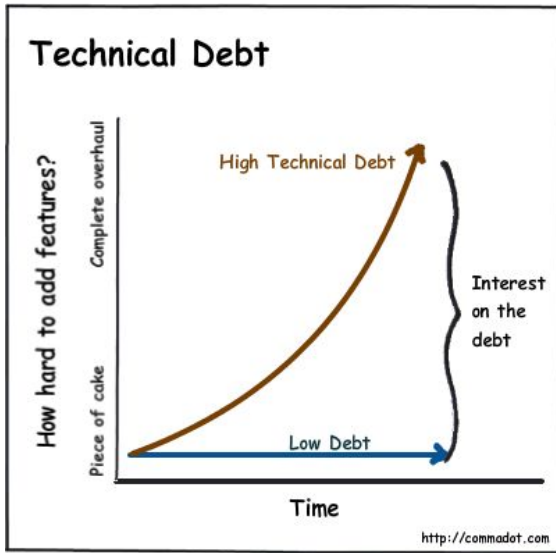


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No Inovation

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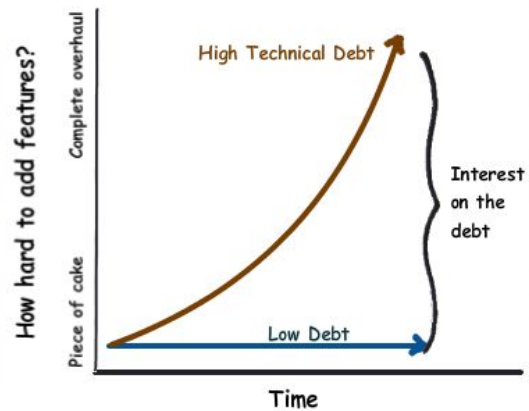
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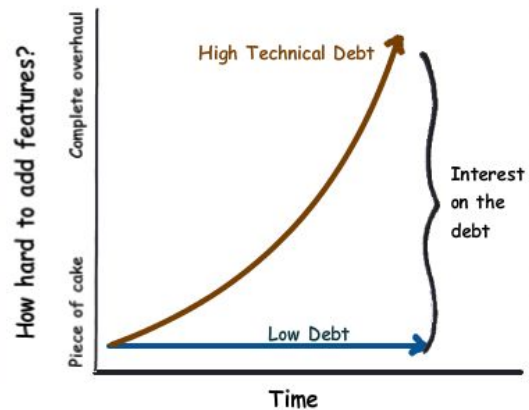
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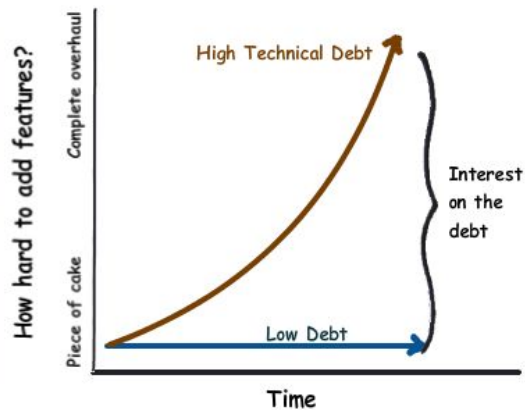


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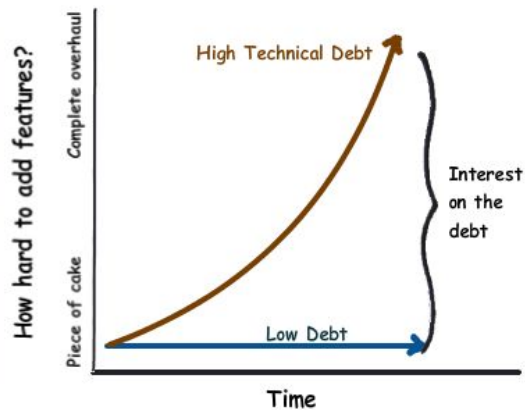
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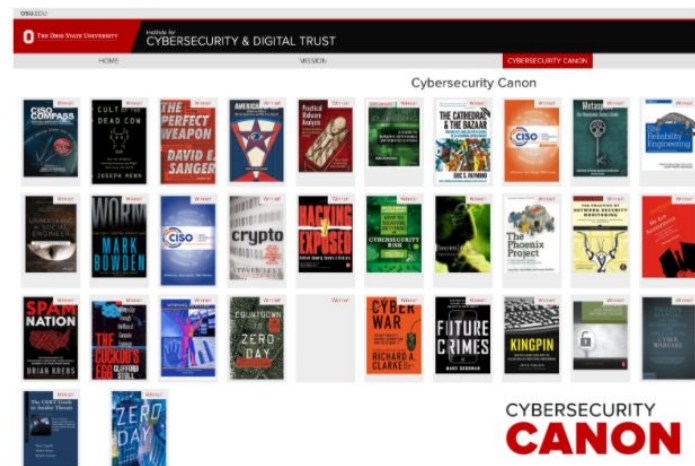
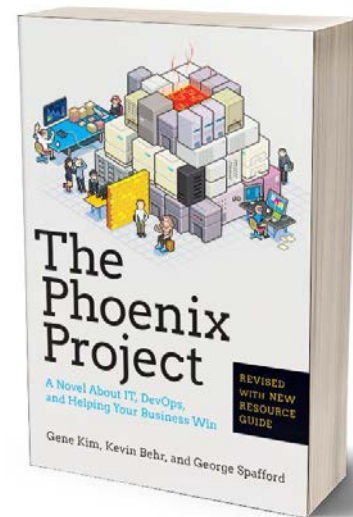
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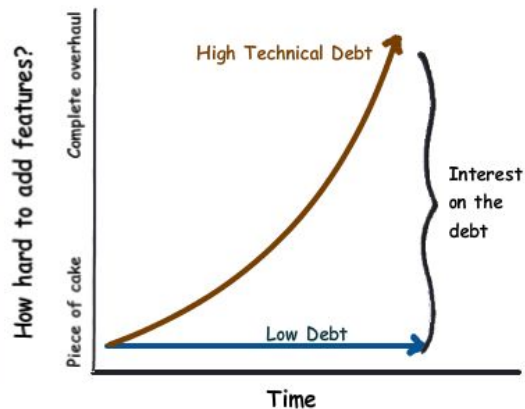
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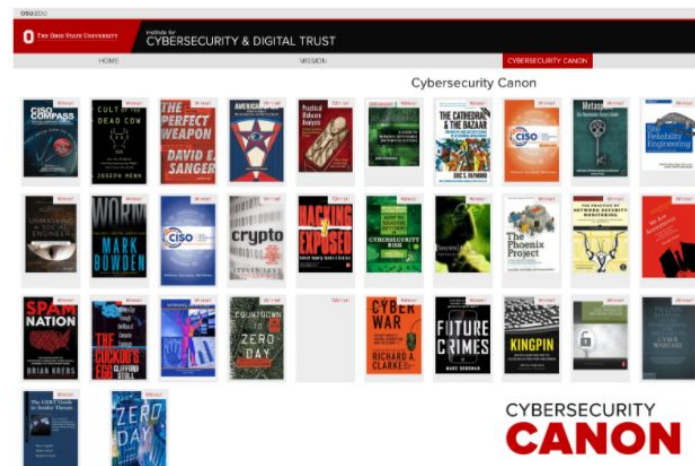
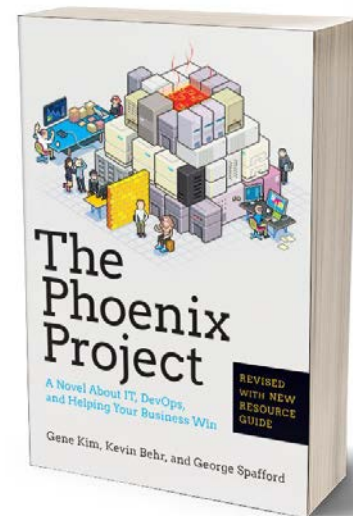
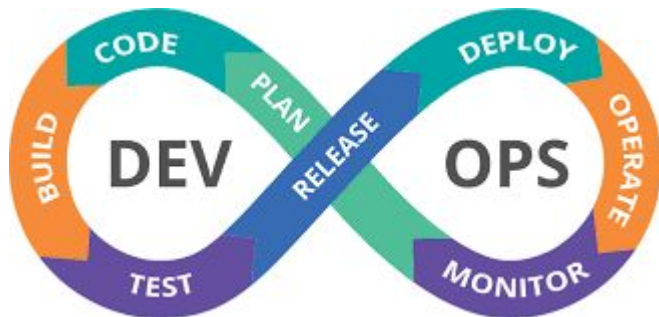
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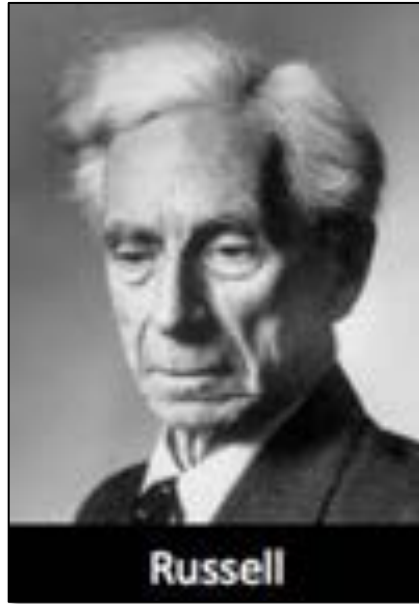
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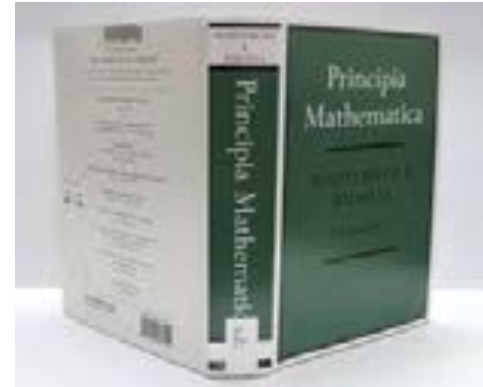


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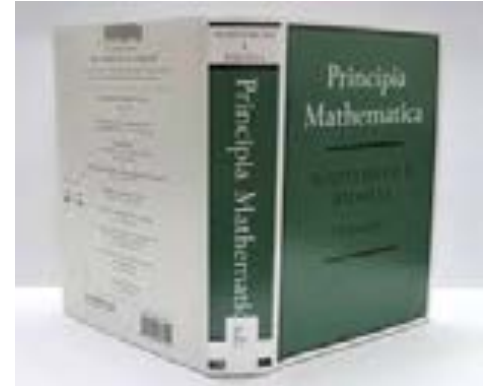
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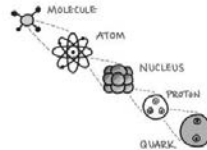




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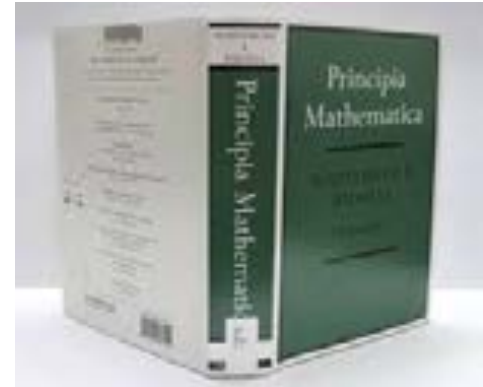


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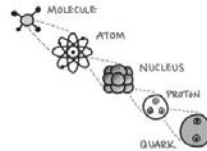
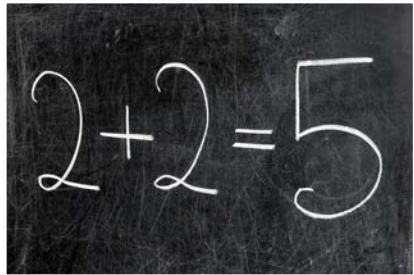




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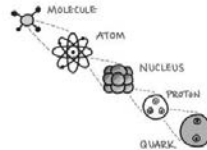




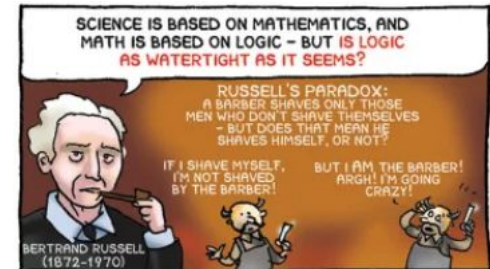
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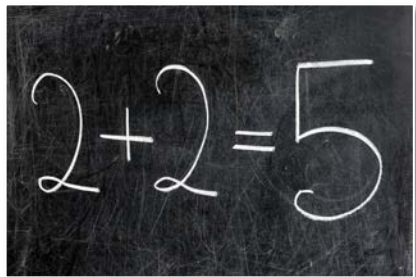
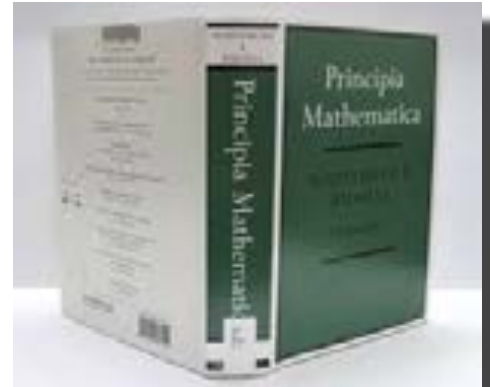
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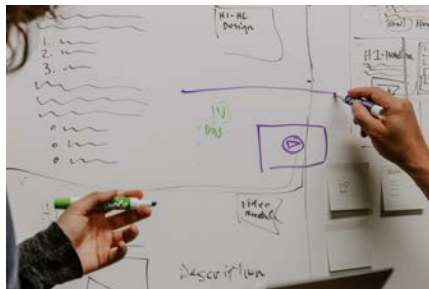




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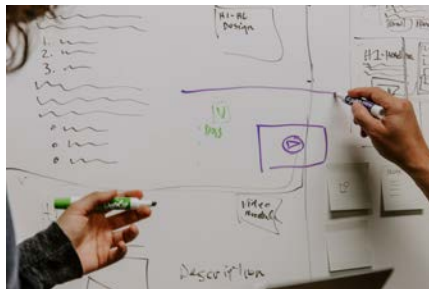
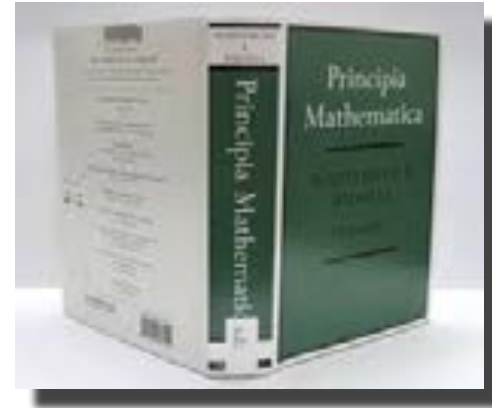
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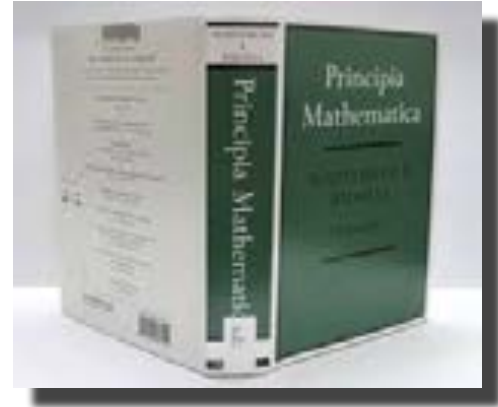
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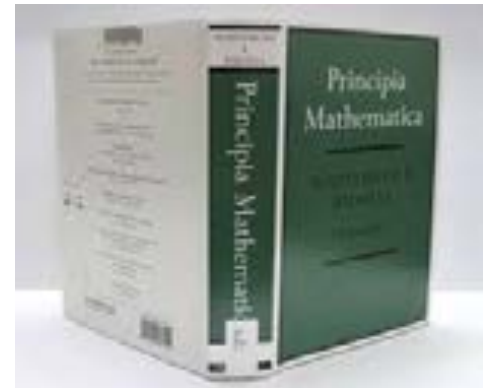
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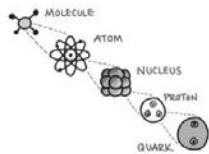
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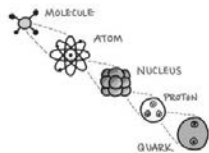


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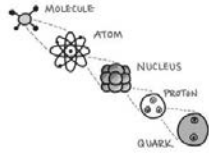
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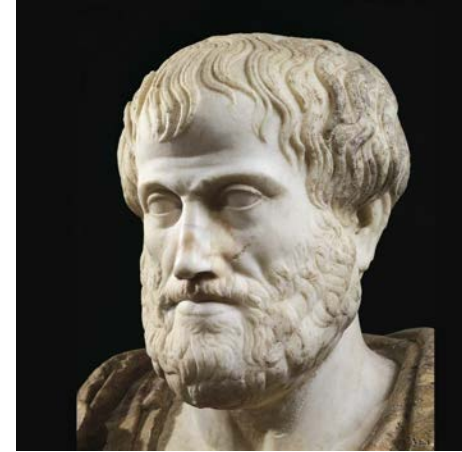
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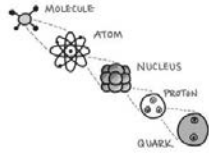
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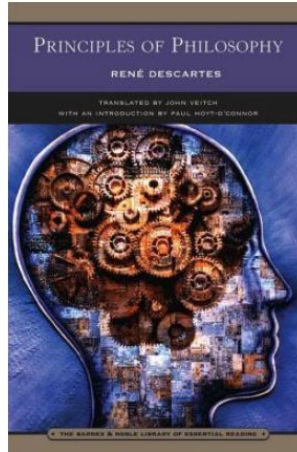
*"In every systematic inquiry where there are **first principles**, or causes, or elements, [...] science result[s] from acquiring knowledge of these."*

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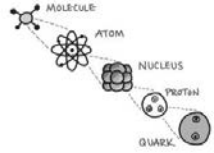
René Descartes



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*"... in order to study the acquisition of [knowledge], we must commence with the investigation of those **first causes** which are called **Principles**."*

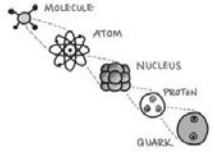
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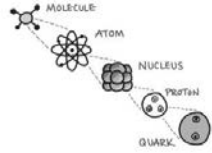
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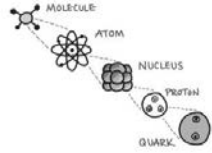
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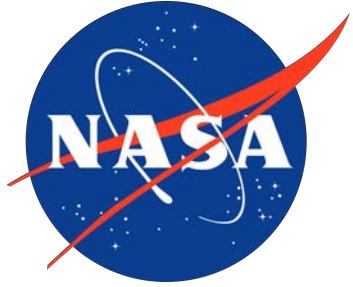


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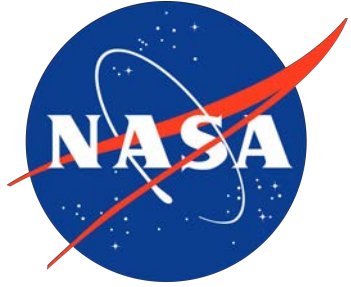
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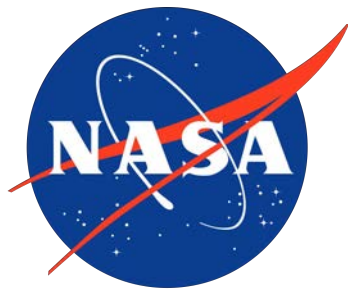
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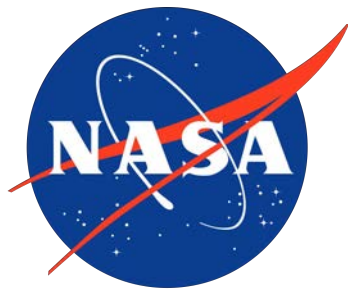


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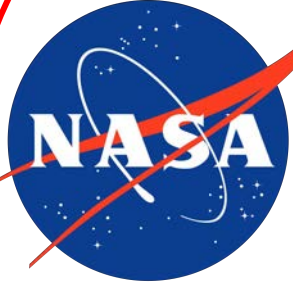


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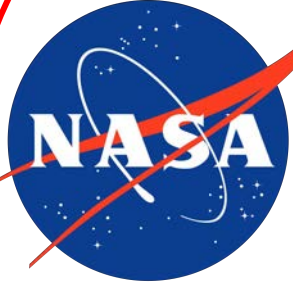
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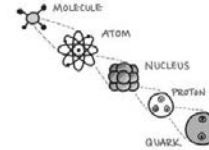
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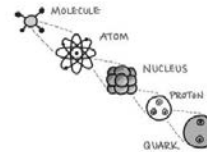
adjective, guts·i·er, guts·i·est. Informal.

- 1 having a great deal of courage or nerve:
a gutsy lampooner of the administration.
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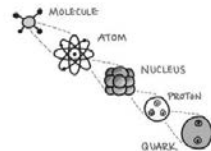
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First Principles Thinking



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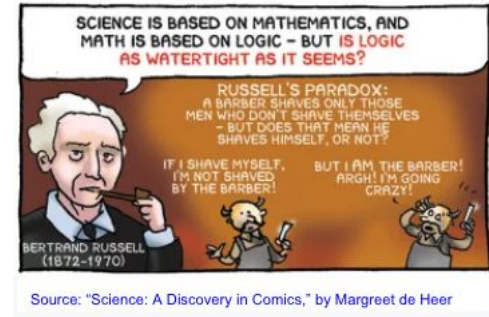
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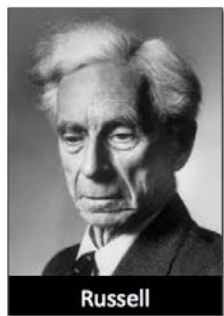


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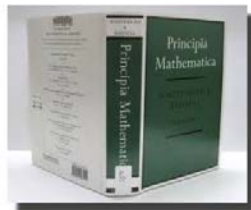


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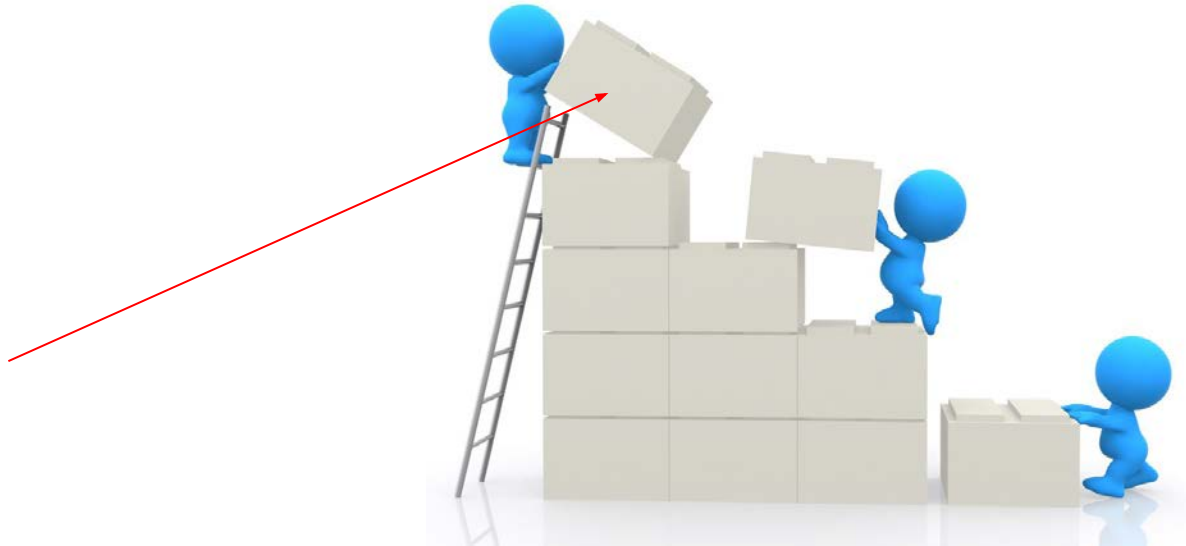
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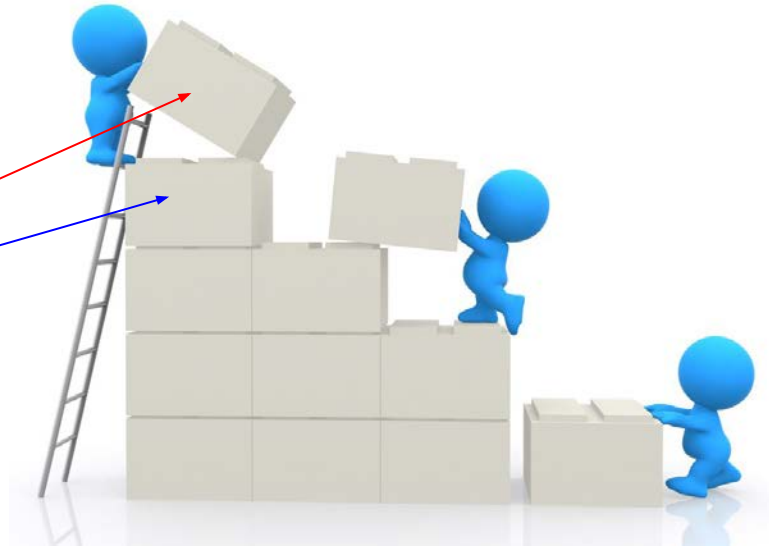
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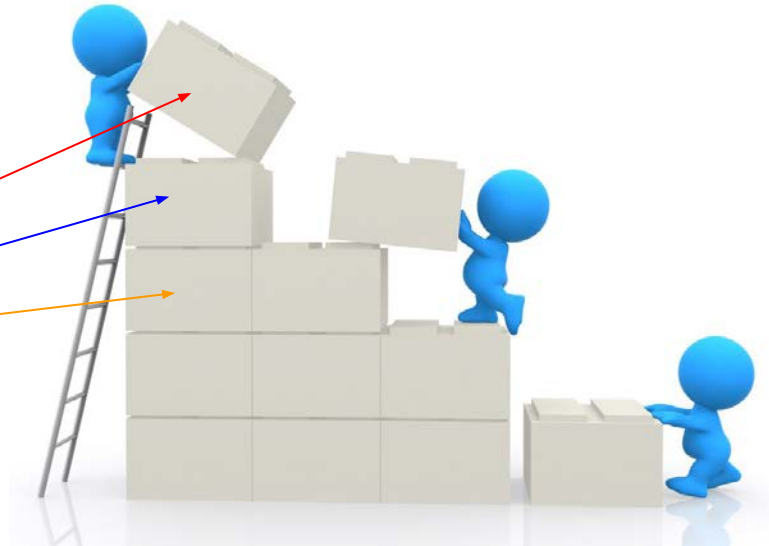
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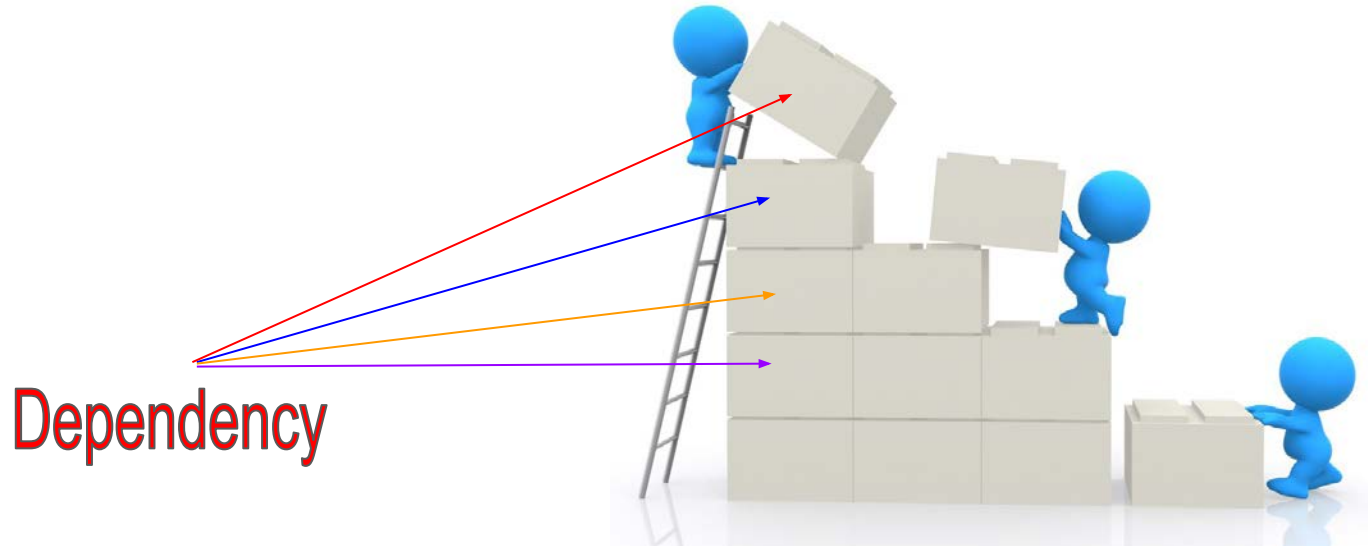
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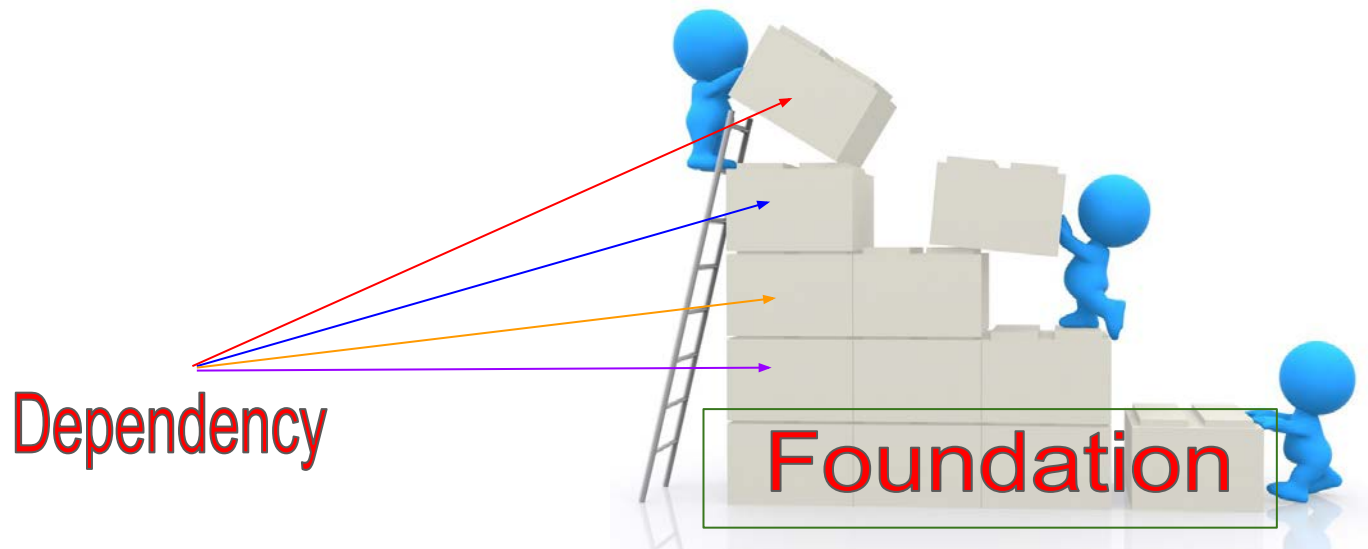
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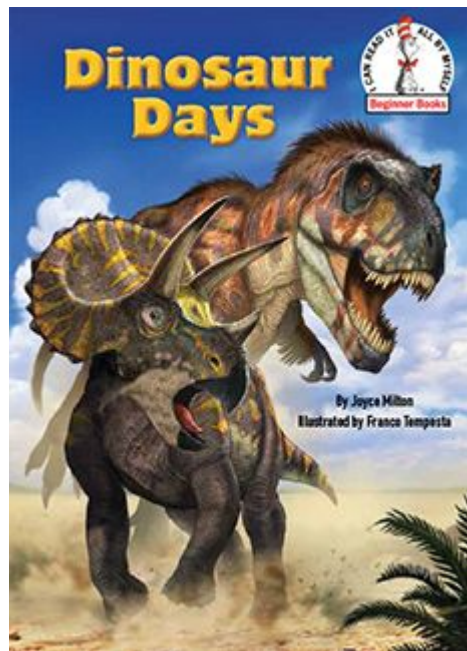


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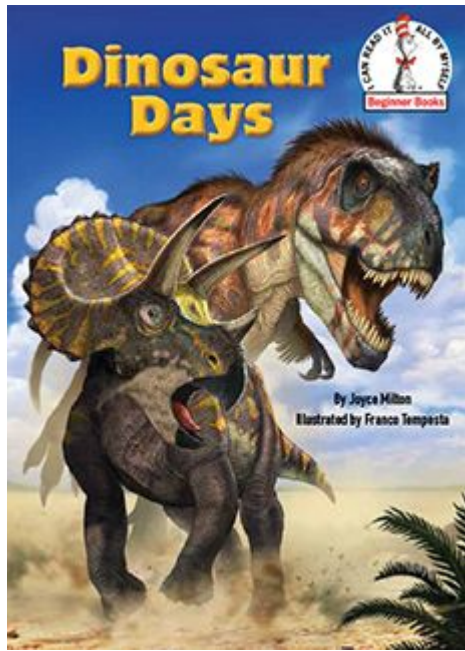


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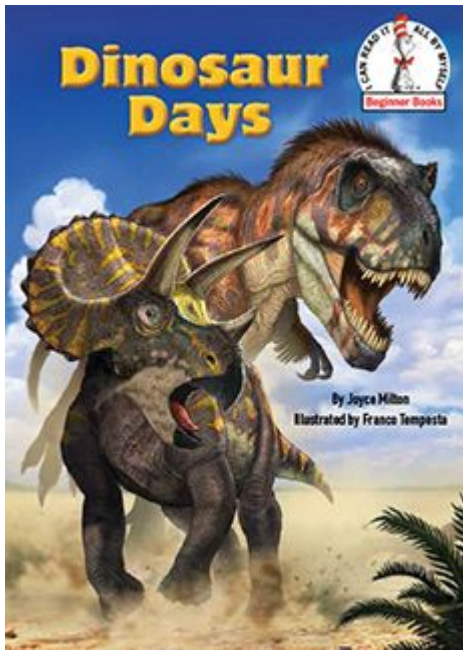


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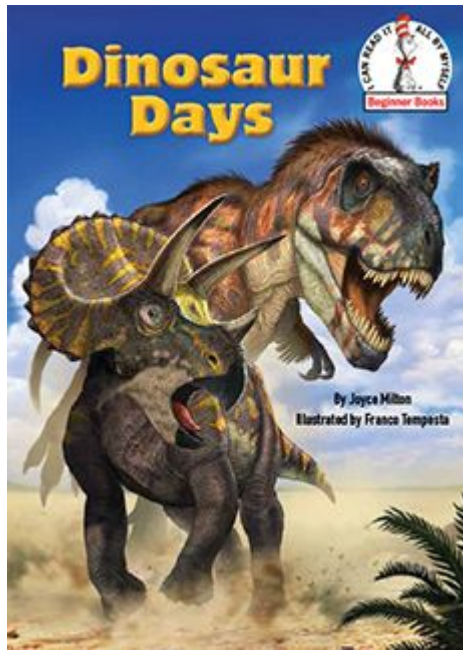


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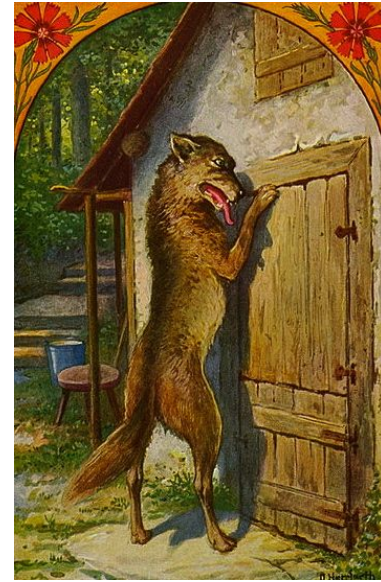


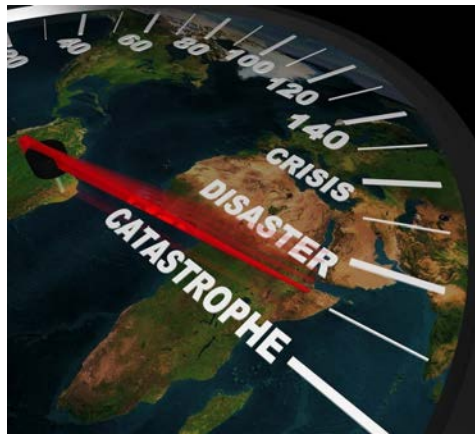
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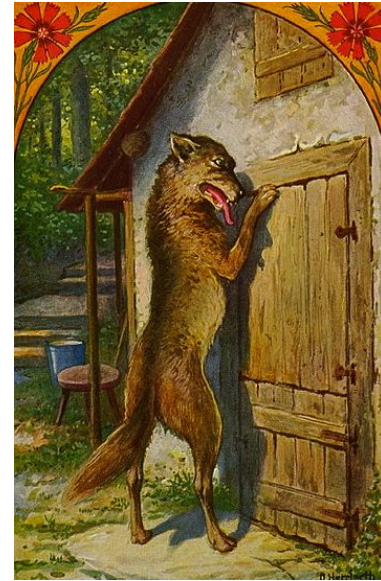


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World's End



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No energy for that nonsense

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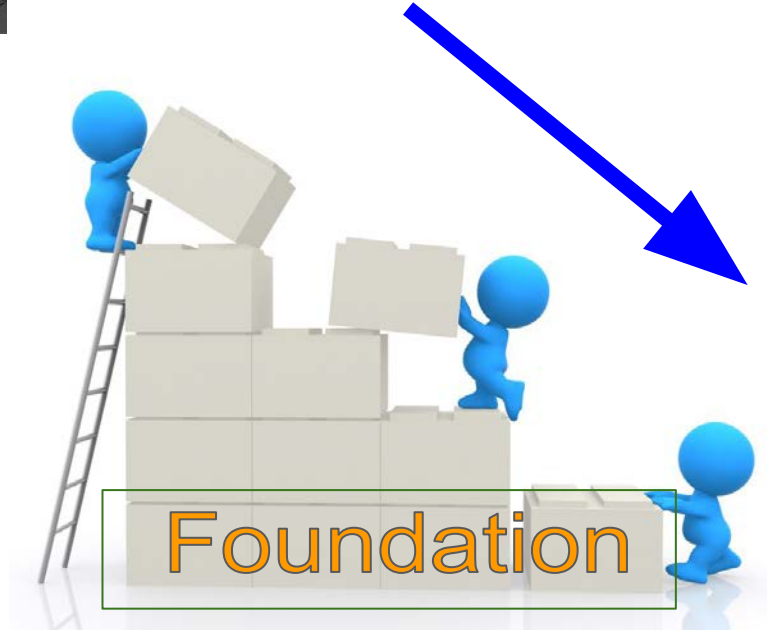
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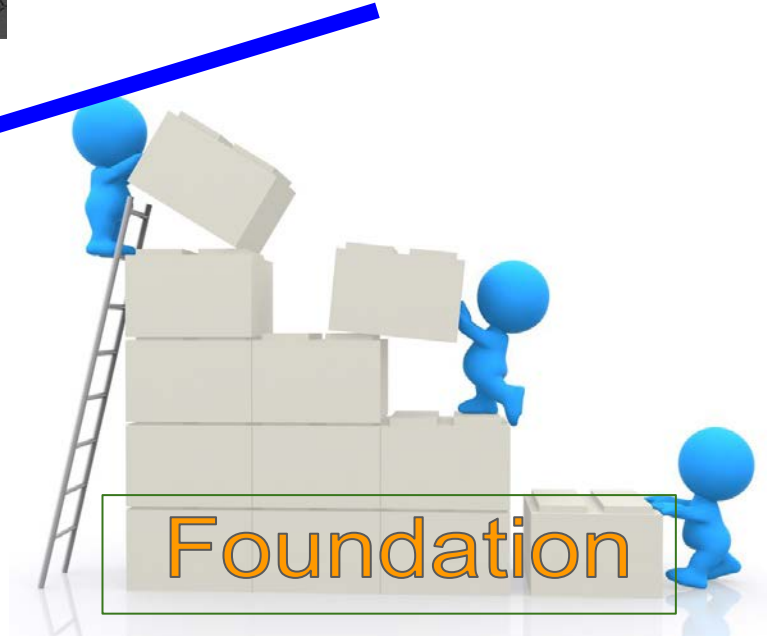
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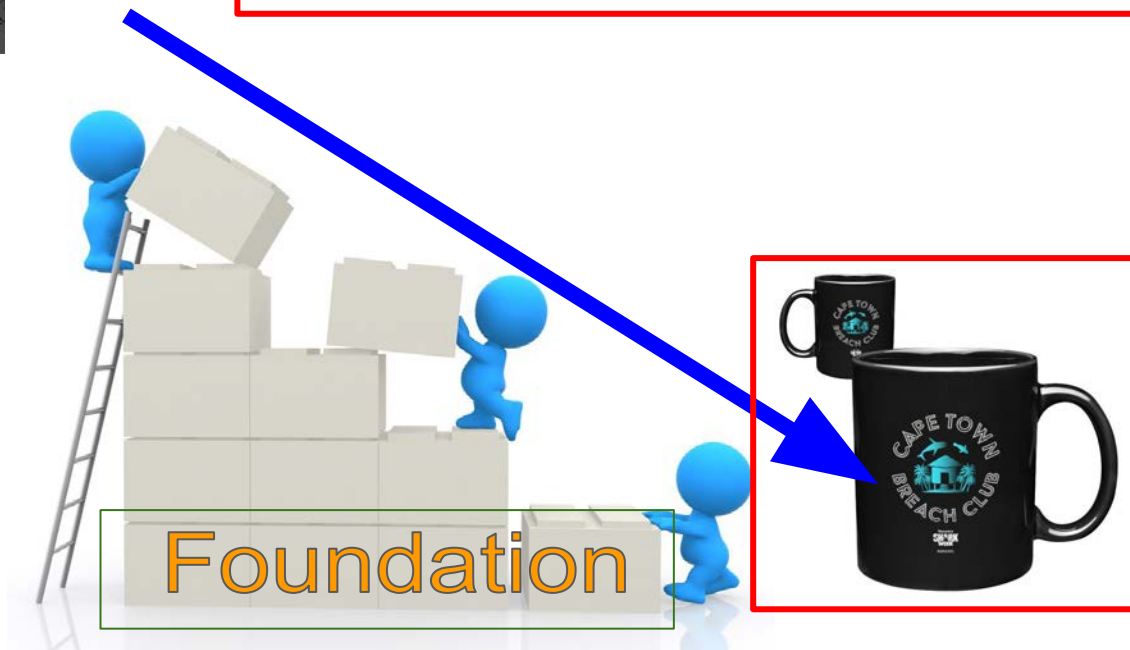
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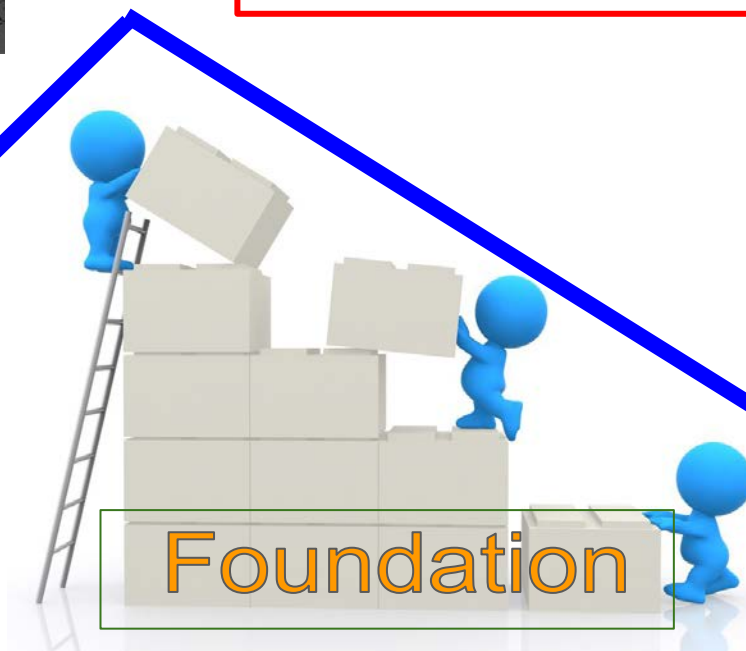
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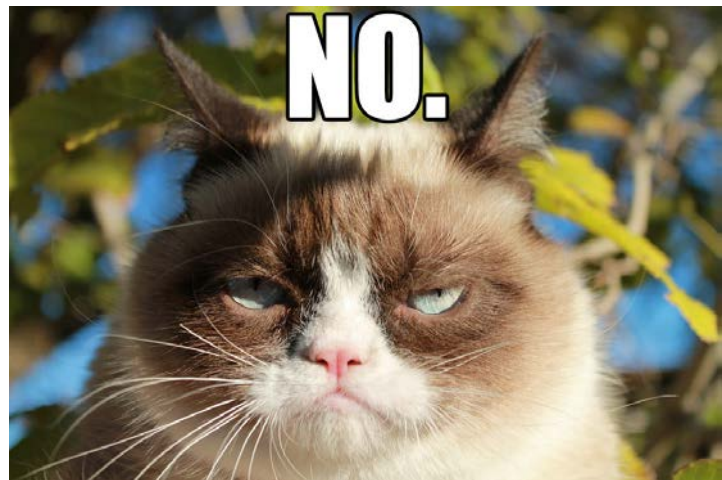
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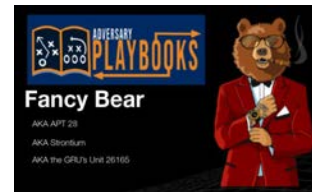
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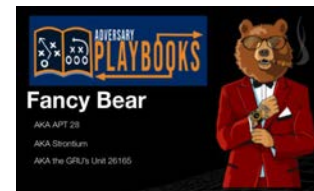
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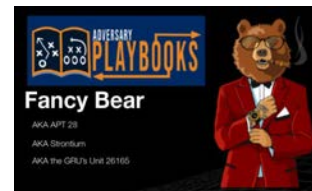


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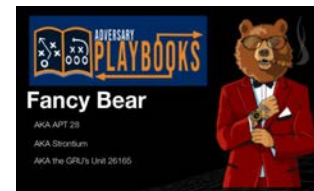
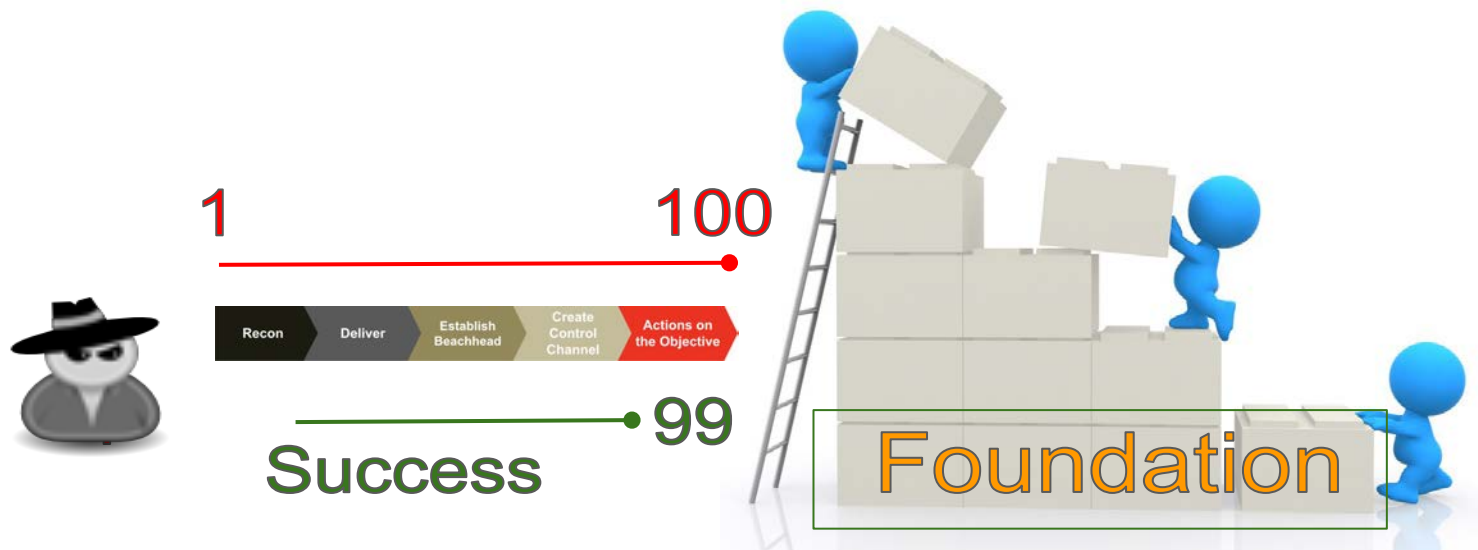
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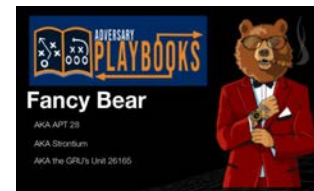
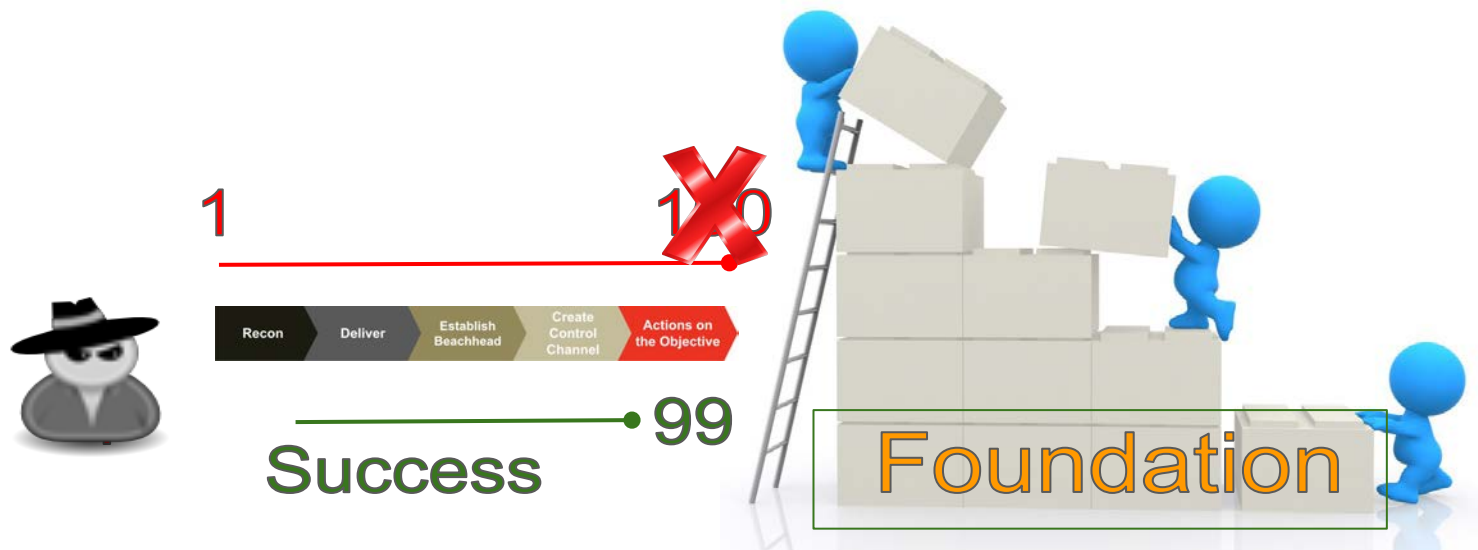
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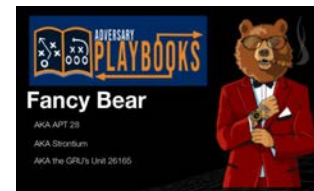
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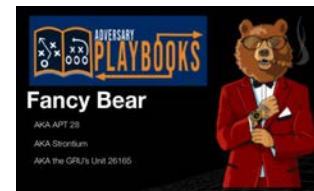
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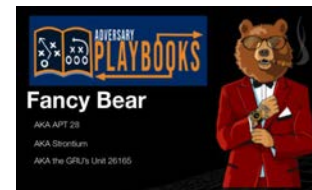
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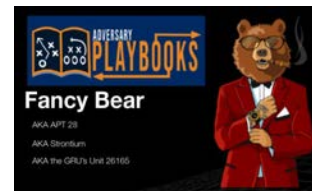


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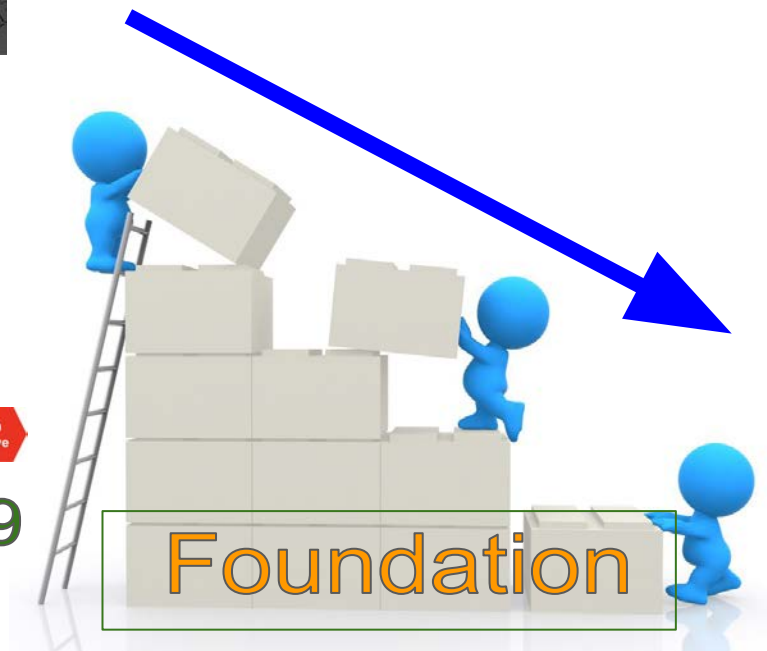
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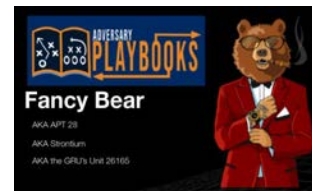
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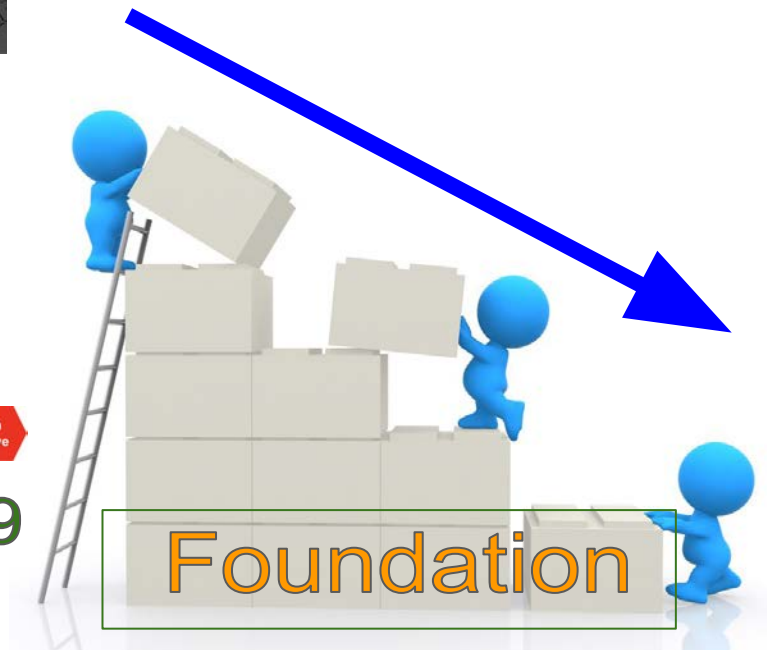
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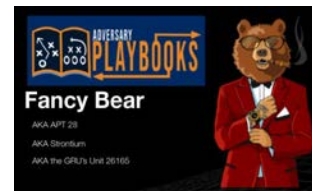
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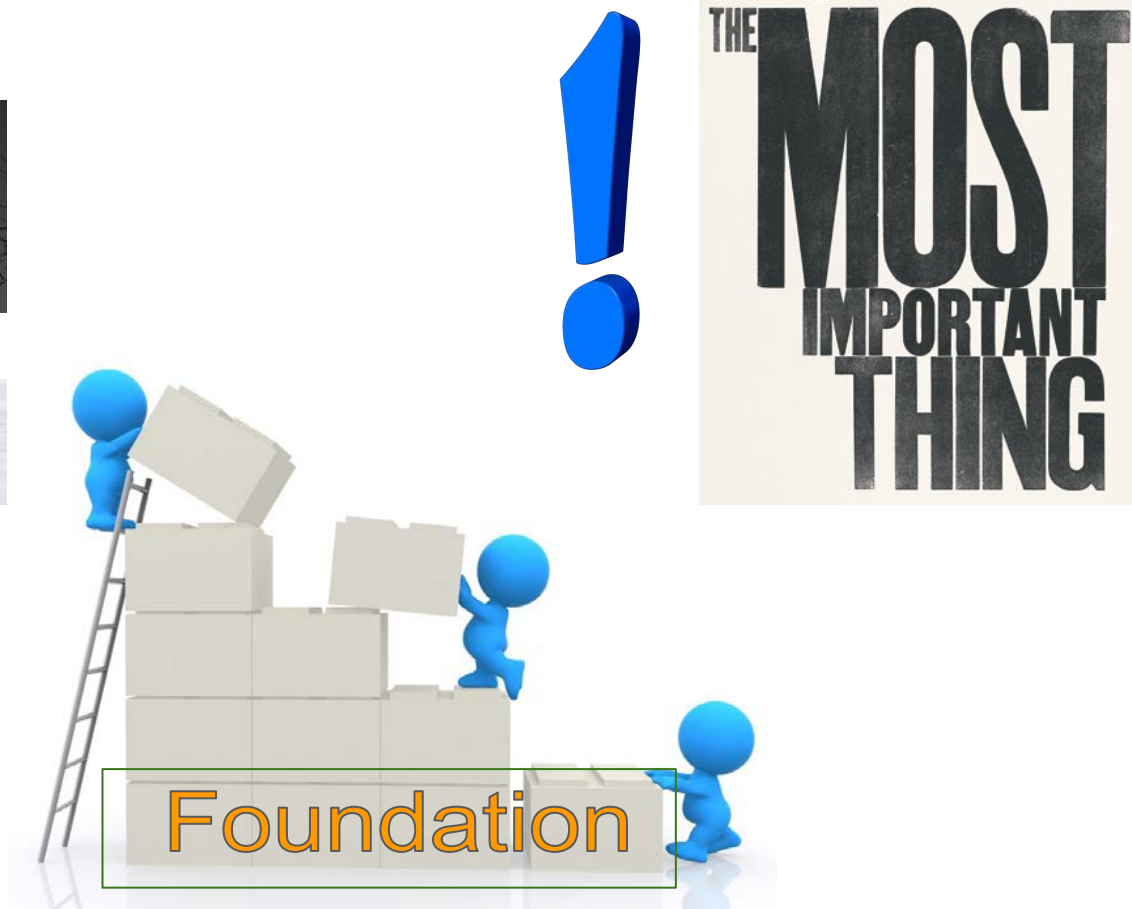
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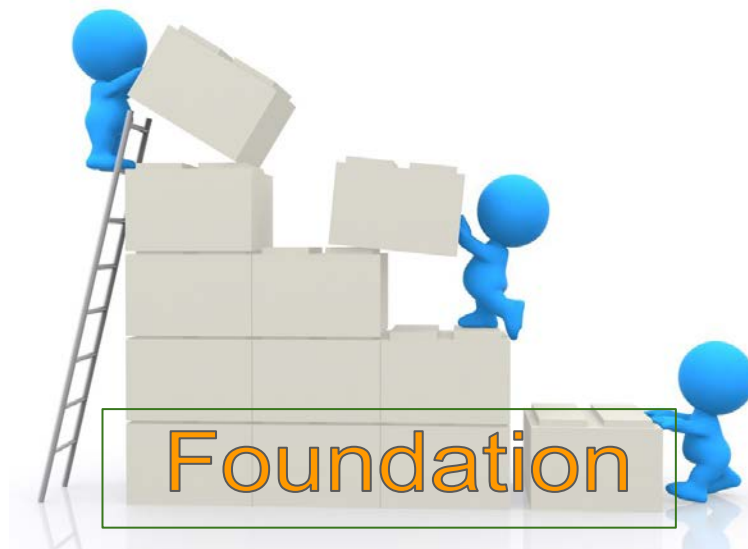
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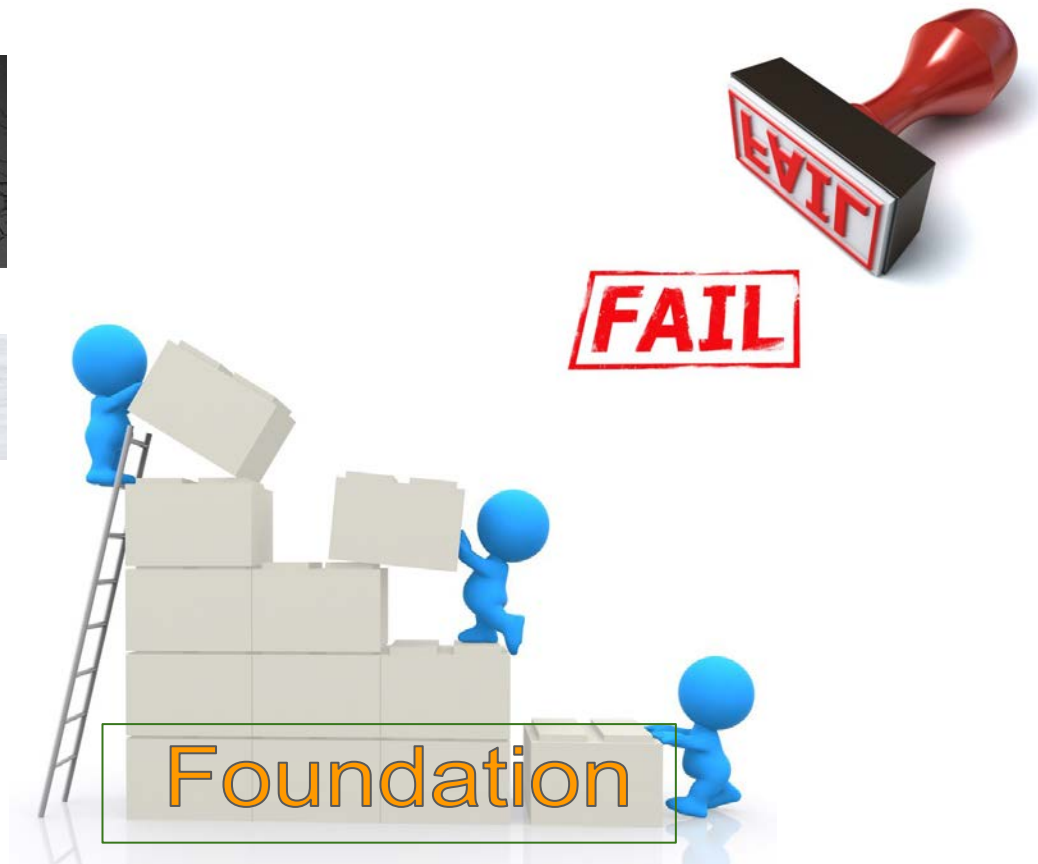


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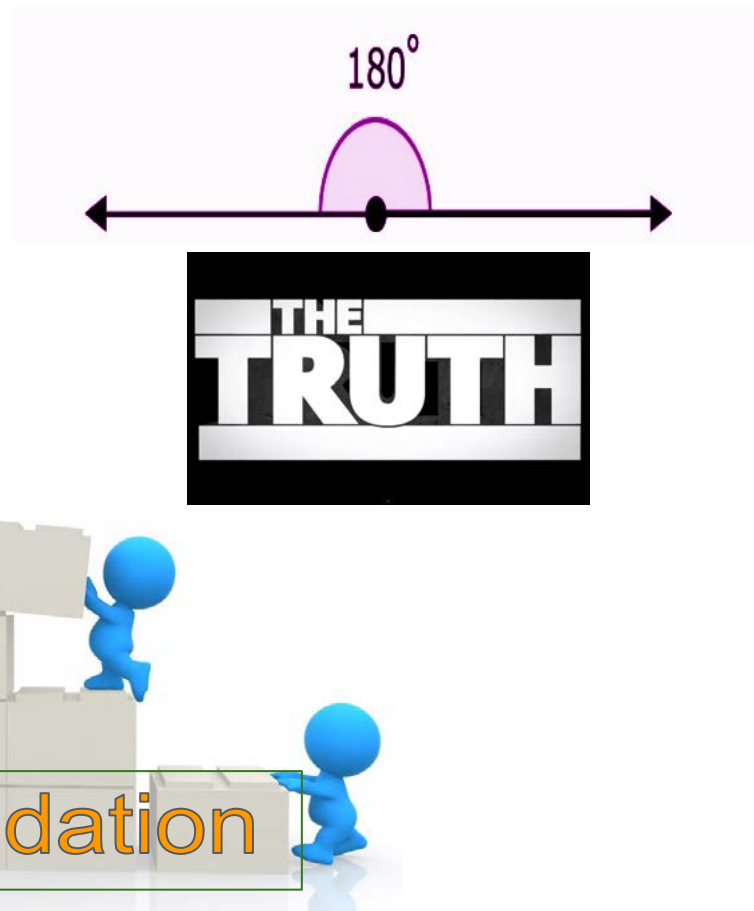


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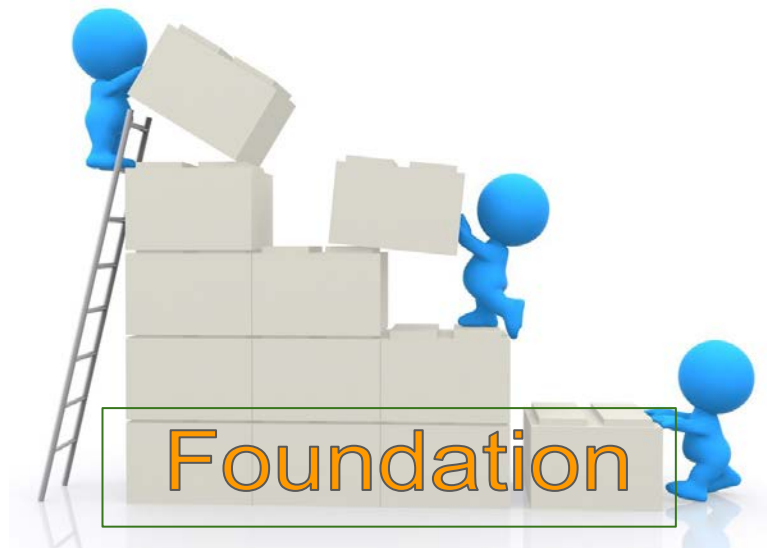


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Tuesday	★	★	★	★
Wednesday	★	★	★	★
Thursday	★	★	★	★
Friday	★	★	★	★
Saturday	★	★	★	★
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Good Boys Get Rewards!

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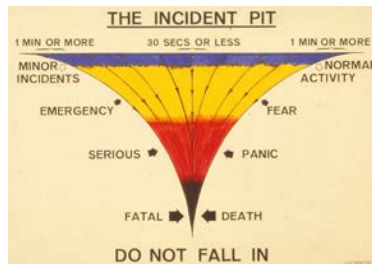
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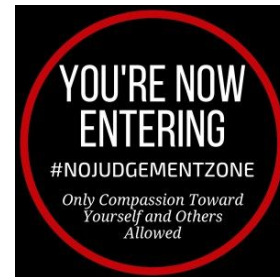
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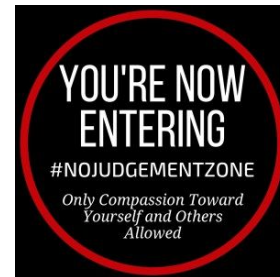
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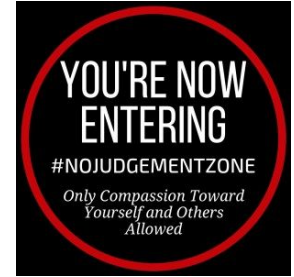
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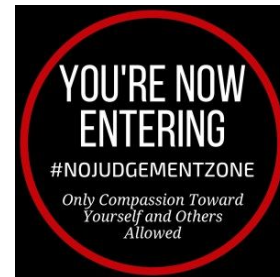


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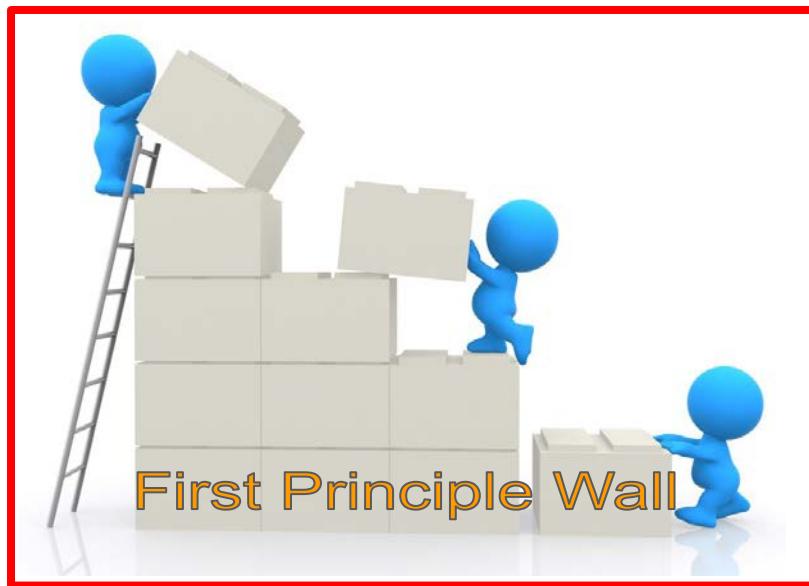
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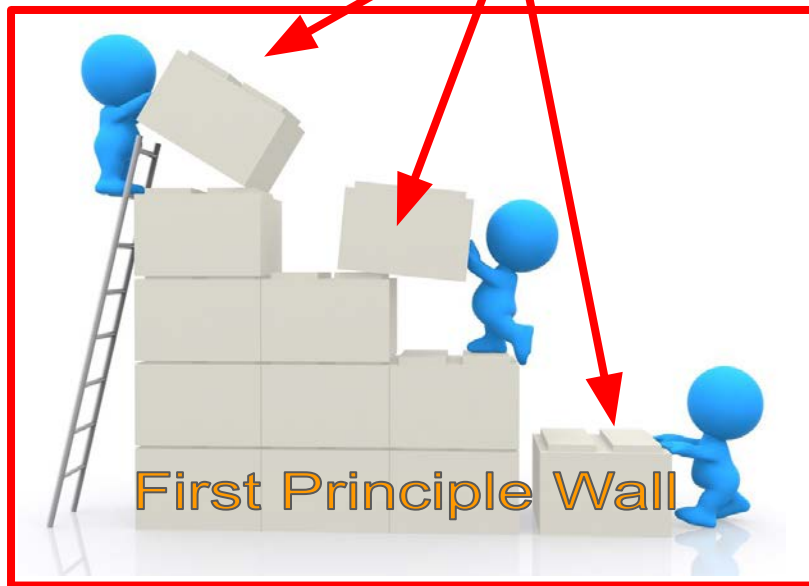
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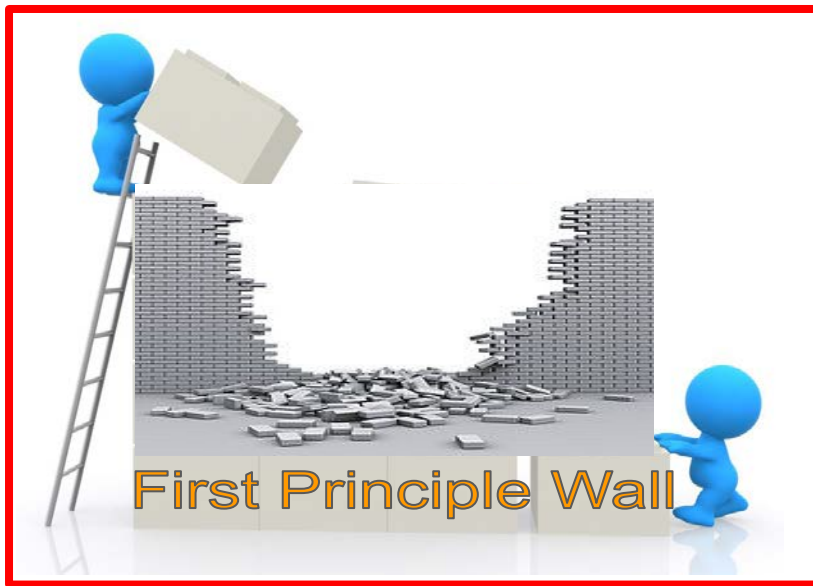
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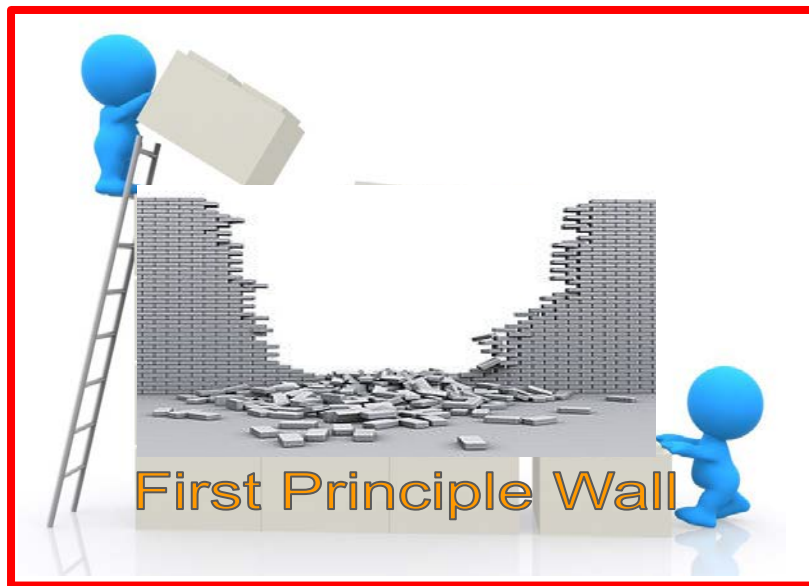
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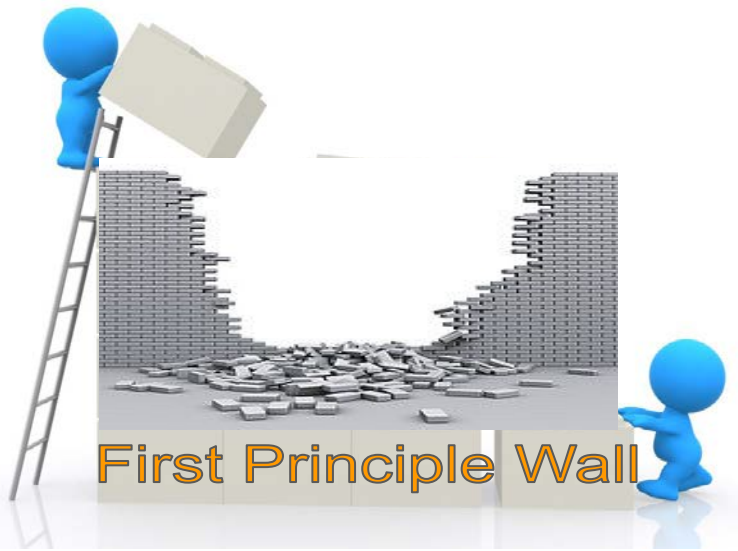
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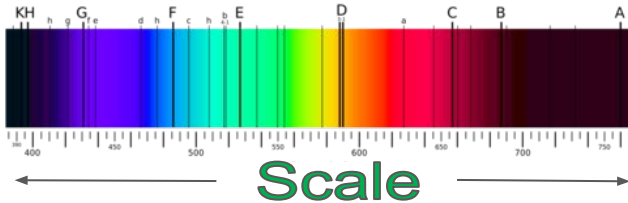


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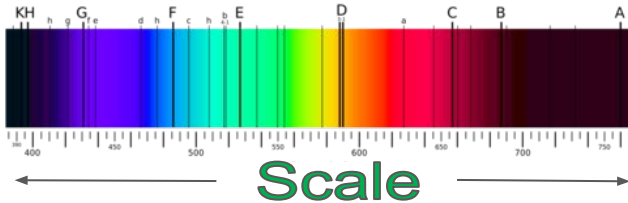


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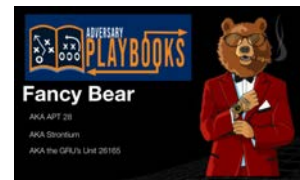
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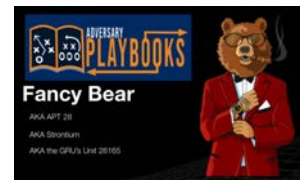
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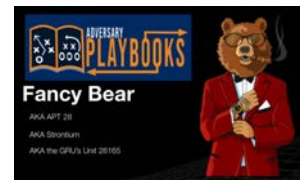
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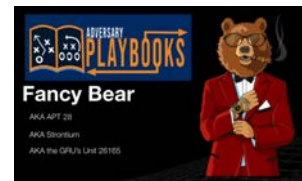
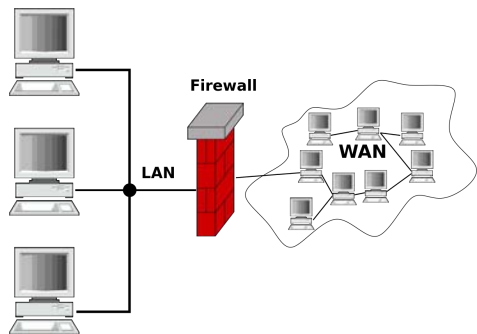
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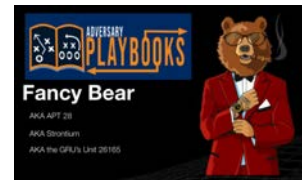
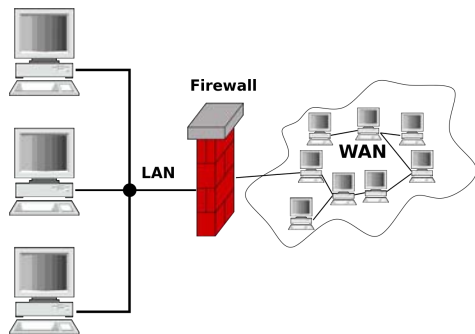
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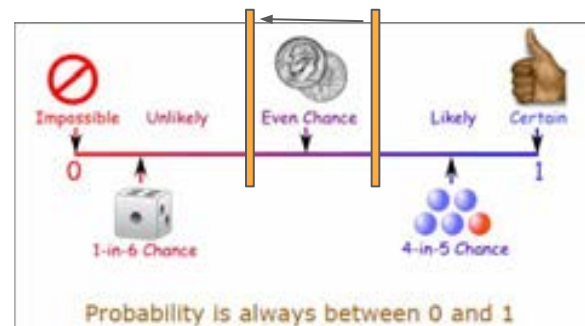
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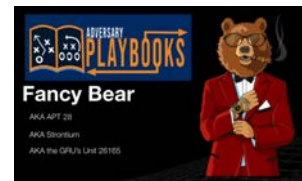
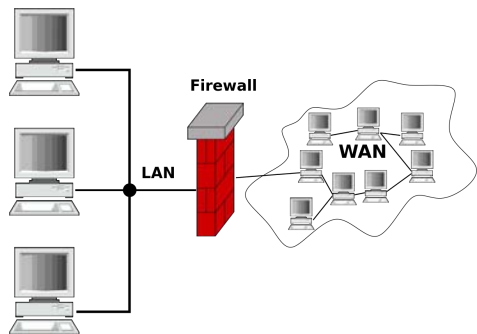
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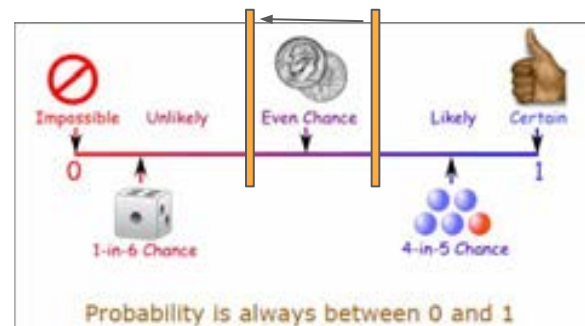
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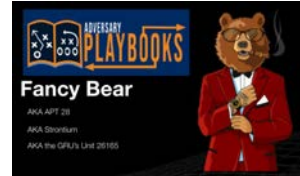
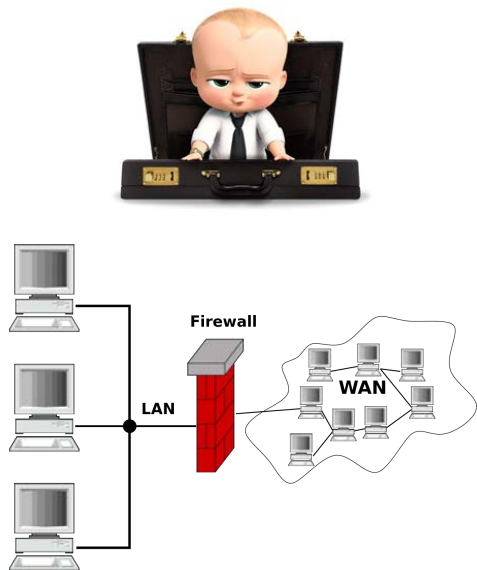
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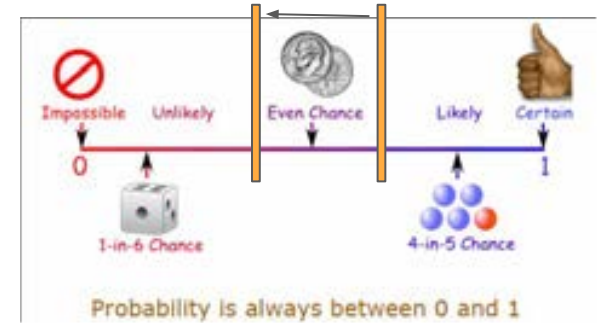
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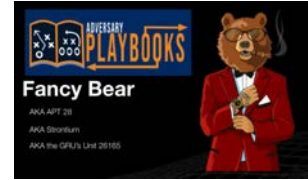
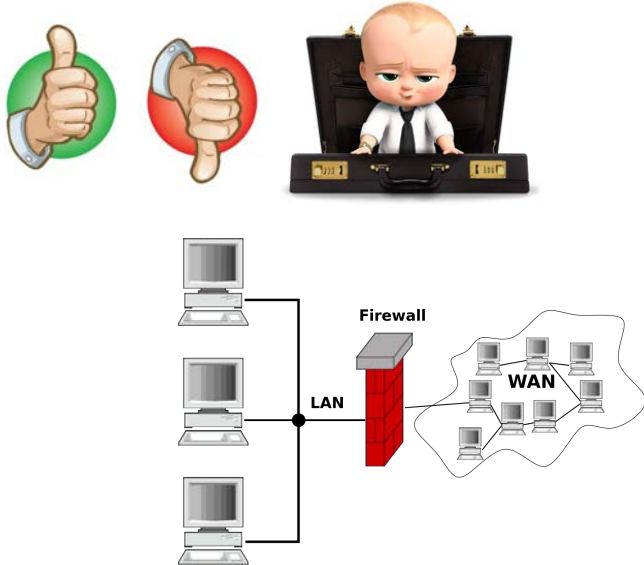
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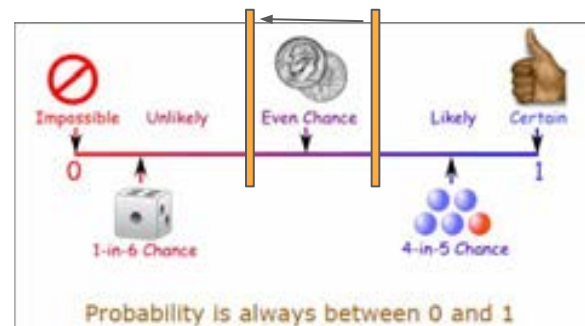
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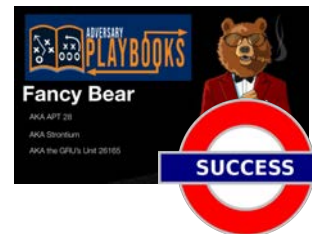
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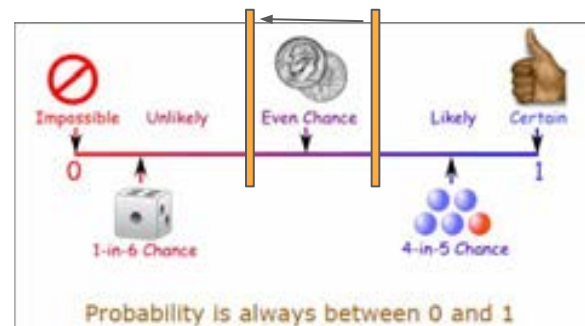
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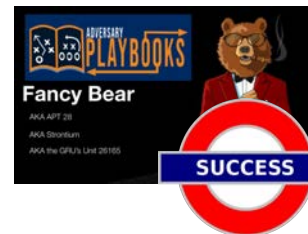
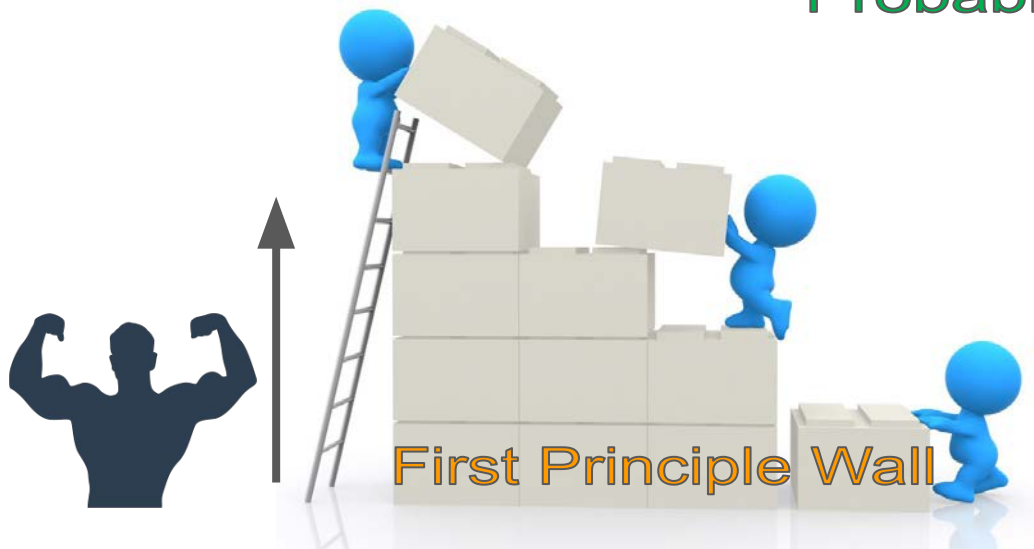
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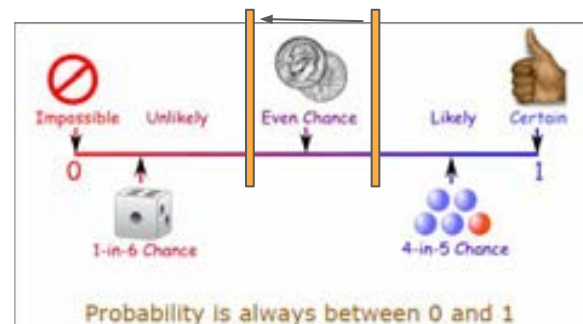


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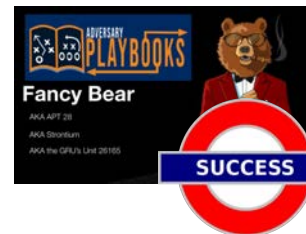


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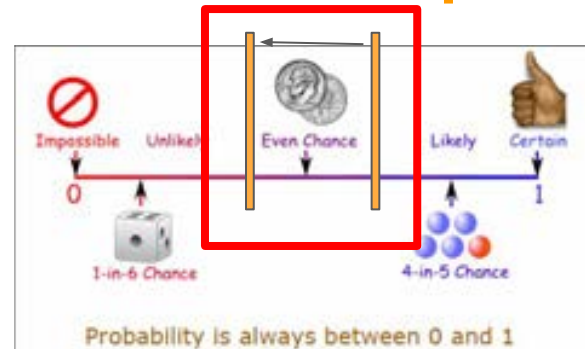


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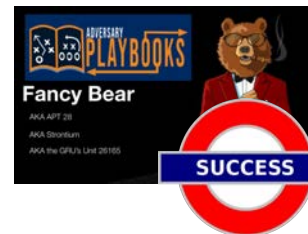


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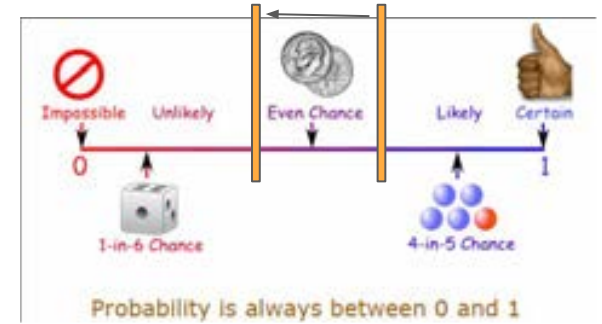
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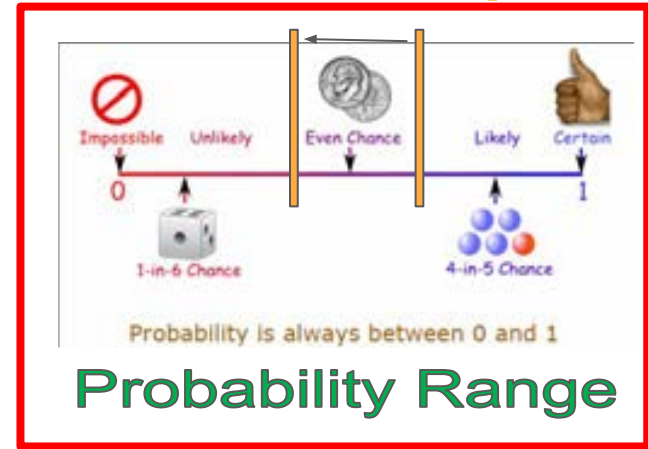


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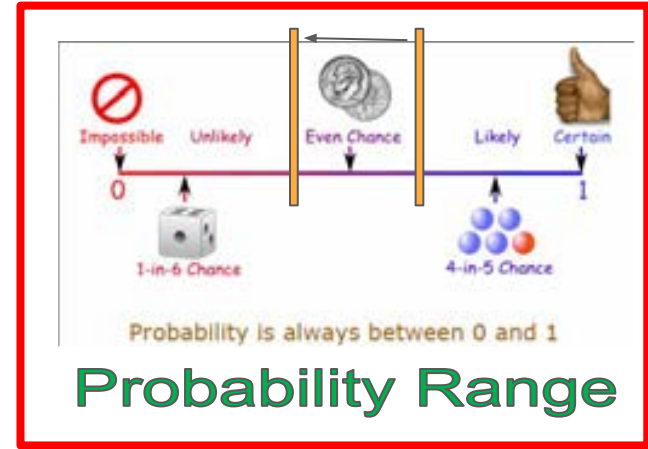
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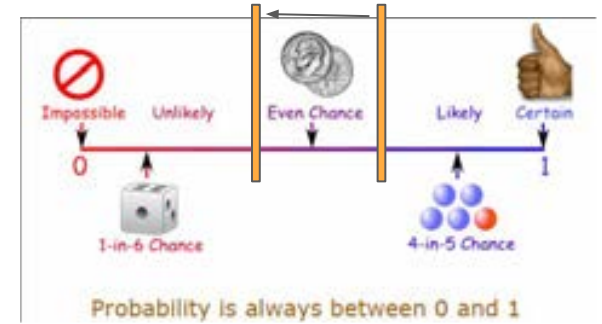
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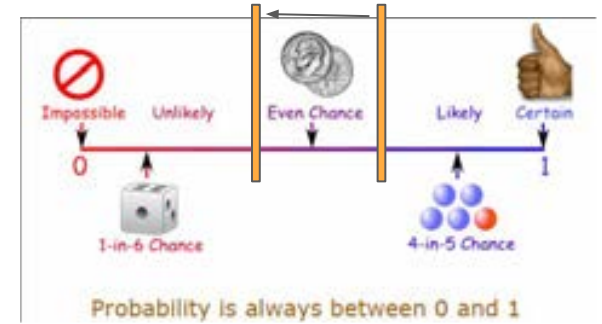
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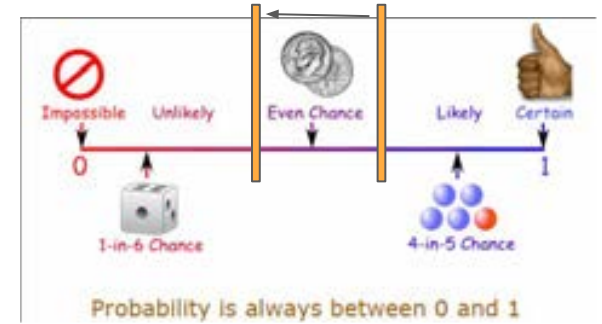
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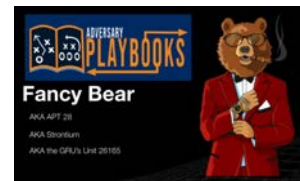
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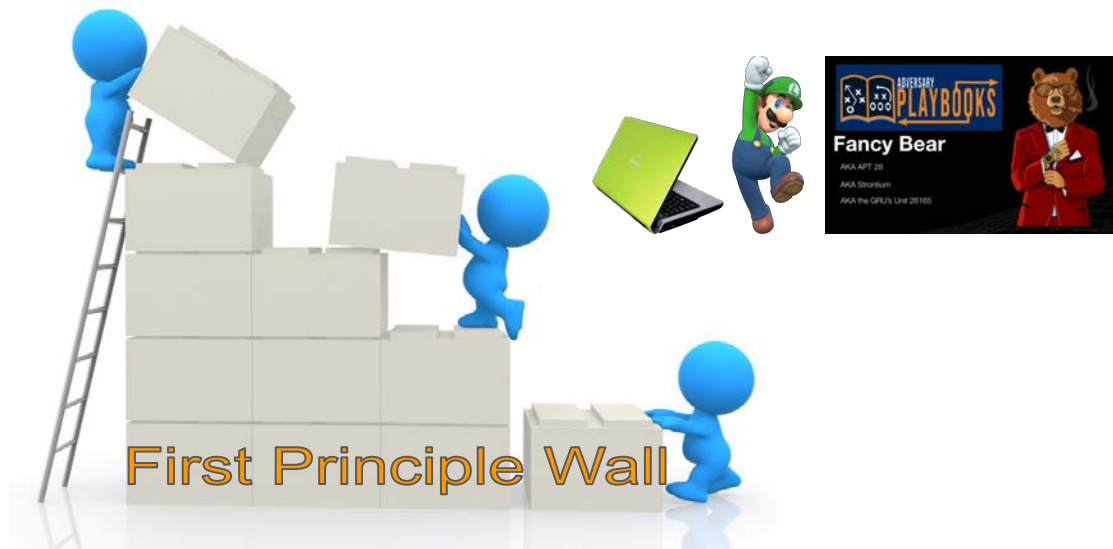
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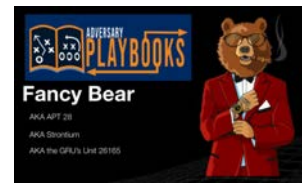
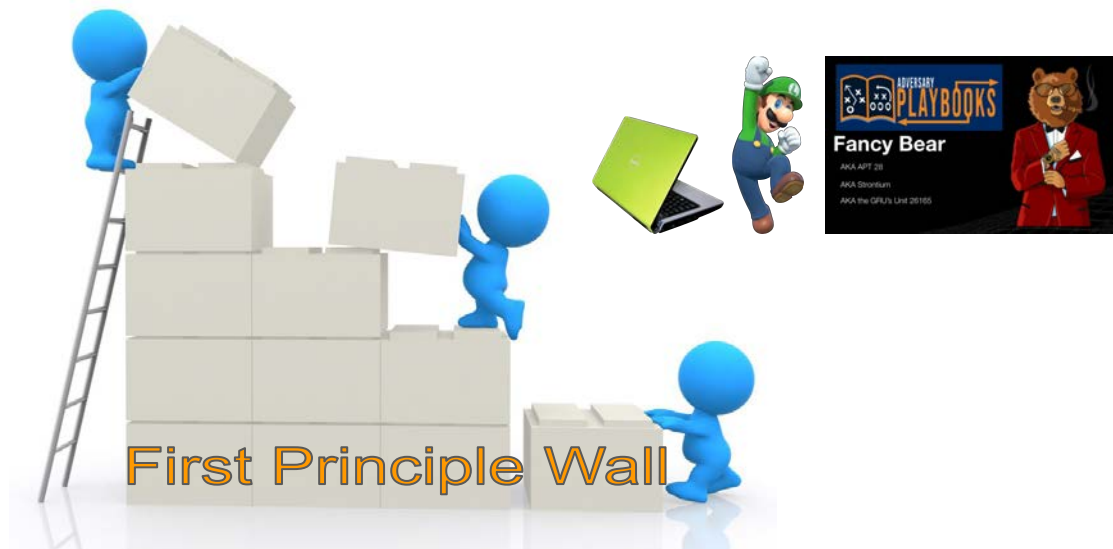
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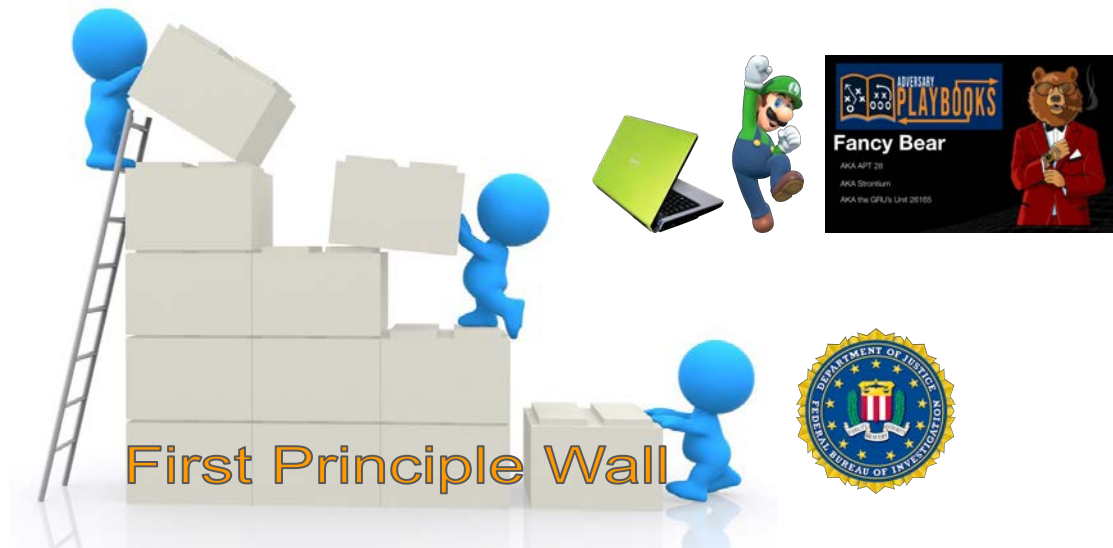
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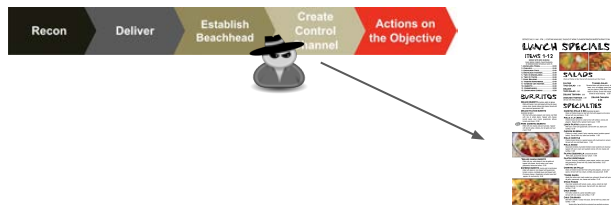
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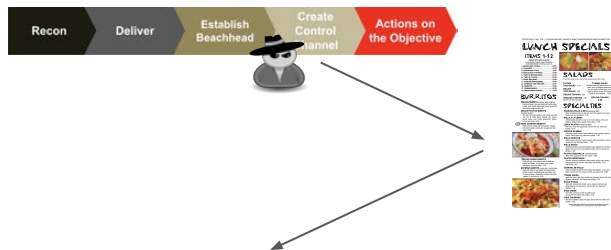
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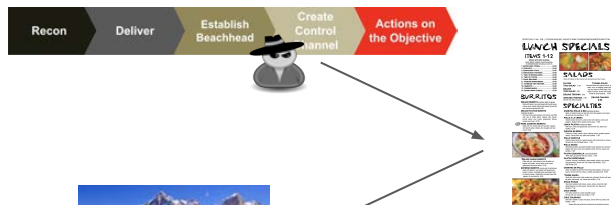
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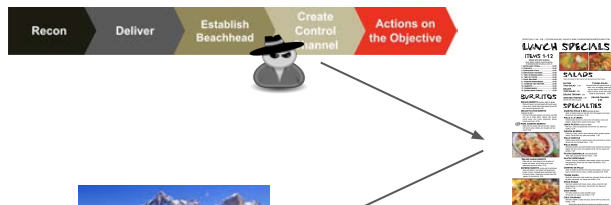
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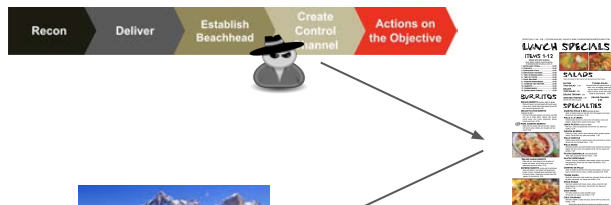
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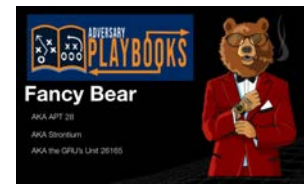
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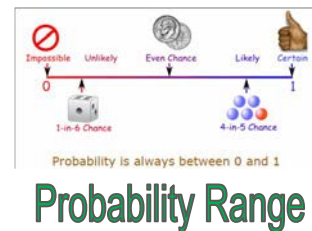
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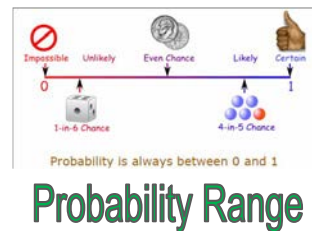
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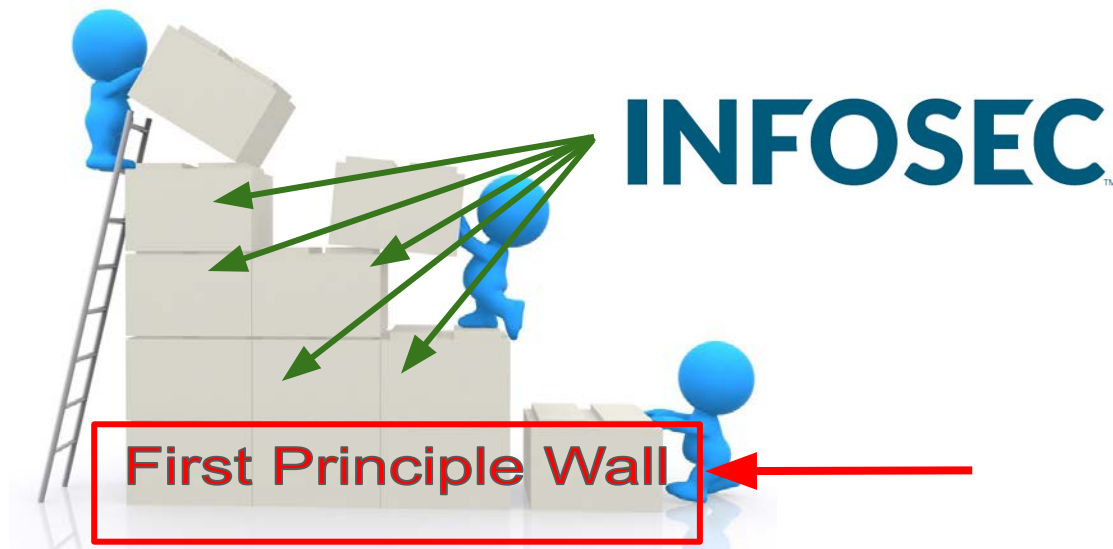


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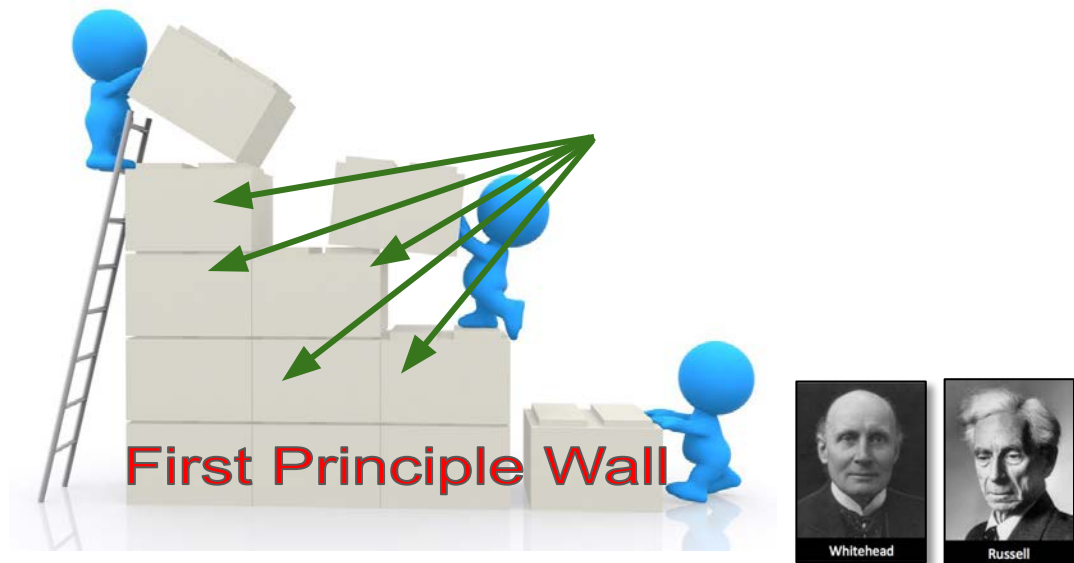
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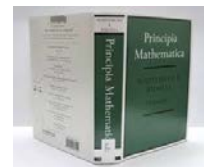
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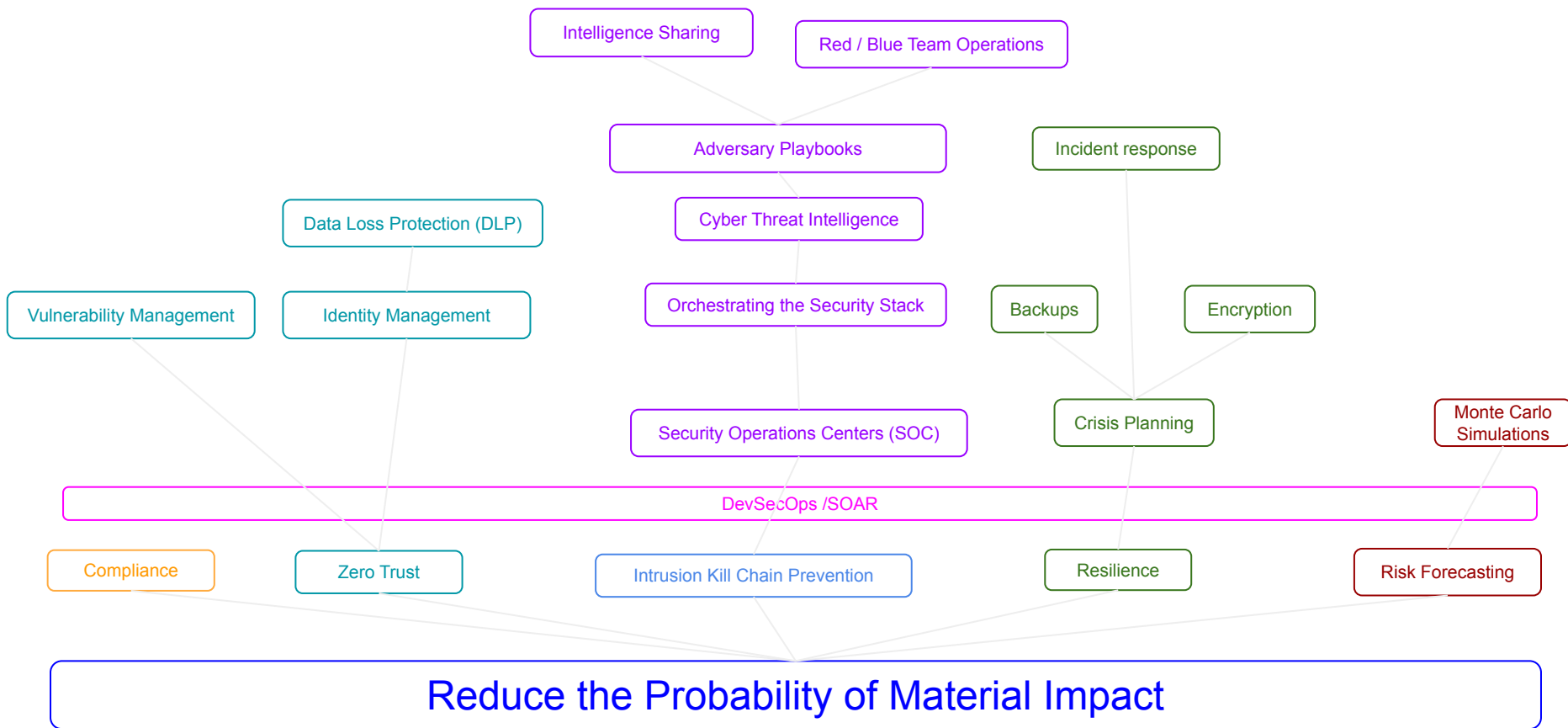


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