# TIME MANAGEMENT

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It's About Time....

Isn't it?



### Getting in Control

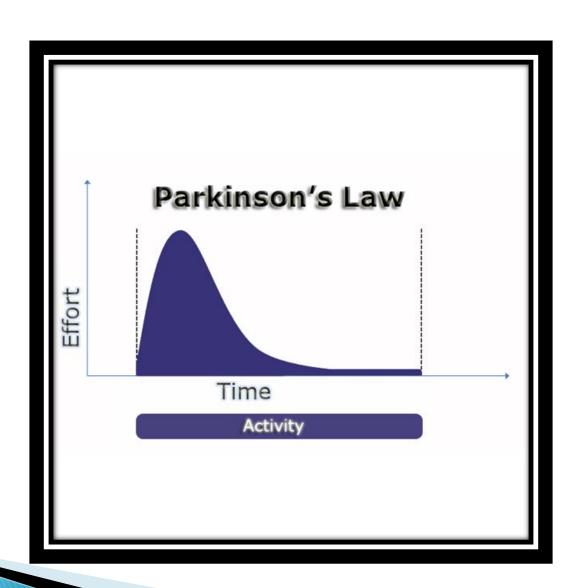
#### Parkinson's law



"The amount of time which one has to perform a task ...

... is the amount of time it will take to complete the task."





## DEADLINES







### We have ALL done this!





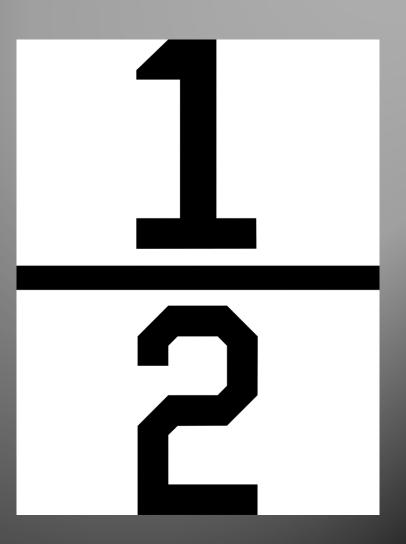
### What did it take to get to this point?





## How long do you really have?







### Adjust your Method!

- Pick a project
- Pick a deadline
- NOW SLICE THAT IN HALF!
- Plan success compression cycles in your day
- Action plan



Try this!

Change your due date!

# Let's Construct Some Time





Can we?



We just might be able to!

### Too Busy?

- What is Busy?
- To keep occupied; make or keep busy
- All too often it is used as a cover story
- Busy is said to be a form of laziness
- Avoiding what needs to happen
- Lack of self control
- Energy wheel spinning but not advancing

#### Image: Control of the con

# We spend more time maintaining our lives and not enjoying it.

Ave age of 79 = 692, 040 hours

- 230,000 sleeping
- 31,000 in school
- 17,000 getting dressed
- 13,000 bathroom
- 52,000 eating
- 34,000 commuting
- 44,000 waiting in lines
- 35,000 doing chores
- 9,000 looking for lost items
- 35,000 ill
- ROUGHLY 190,000 hours = 21.5 years



### Leverage Your Time

Sacrifice Time Now

Get Help and Delegate

Change the Percentage



HOW?

How exactly could this be fun?



### What is the difference?



# They both hate what it takes to be successful!

But they keep grinding! That's the difference! They out grind others.

### The GRIND



IS REAL

**IS TEDIOUS** 

### Everyone Starts...

But some drift...

You have to overcome the drift.

You have to make it a competition. Make it into a game with rewards.

A reward you really want.



### **Action Plan**

- Goal
- Objective
- Track your progress
- Create a reward
- Create your consequence
- Engage in competition

### Competition

- Intrinsic Motivation
- Compete against yourself or others
- Limit distractions
- Insane Focus



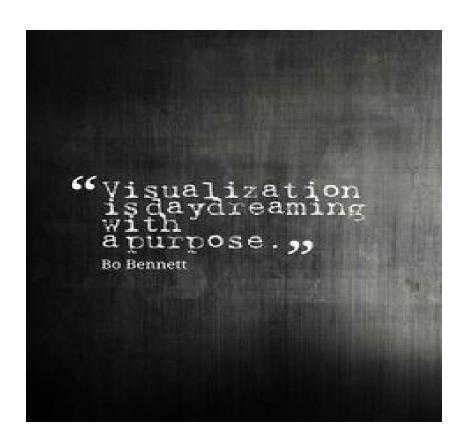
### One Technique That Works



## Find Your Way

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START THE 251 POTIODORO		
	NOW WORK ONYOU	/R
	TASK WITHOUT	**
	DISTRUCTIONS UN	ITIL -
	IT RINGS	
		MARK 1 POTODOPO
		DONE! NOW TAKE
		A 5' BREAK
W	ASH, RINSE,	REPEAT!

### Thinking Positive





### Some More Tricks of the Trade >>>

Especially at home!



### Food Prep and Meal Prep >>>

Take some time to save some time!

### My thesis is written in









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It is work. If it was easy.....
Everybody would be doing it!



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