Your Best and Worst Leadership Moment.

Everyone has enjoyed leadership success at some point. At some time-whether in high school, college, on the athletic field, in a community or religious group, or at work-we all have made things happen through other people. We have all been leaders. Looking back over your life, what is the experience that you are most proud of as a leader? Use the space below to capture the details of that moment

Just as all of us have enjoyed success, we’ve also experienced the pain of leadership failure. Learning to be a leader requires looking back and learning from past mistakes so that you don’t repeat errors. What was your most disappointing experience as a leader? Record your thoughts in the space below.

Given the best and worst leadership experiences you identified, consider the lessons you have learned about leadership in the past. In working through this assessment it can be very helpful to share your leadership stories with others so that you have a richer set of examples from which to compile a list of leadership lessons. The lessons learned from past leadership experiences might be things like: it is difficult to succeed as a leader when followers are not motivated; leadership works best when you have a clear sense of direction; or a leader must be sure his or her message is understood to ensure followers stay involved. Try to identify 10 leadership lessons your experiences (and, if possible, those of others) have provided.

Leadership lessons:

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