

HELPING by Edgar H. Schein

A brief review by Kazuhiko Akutsu February 27th 2014





Preface to review Why do I read this book?

- Trust-based relationships are the foundation for achieving the right organizational results.
- Mutual help is the most effective way to establish trust-based relationships.

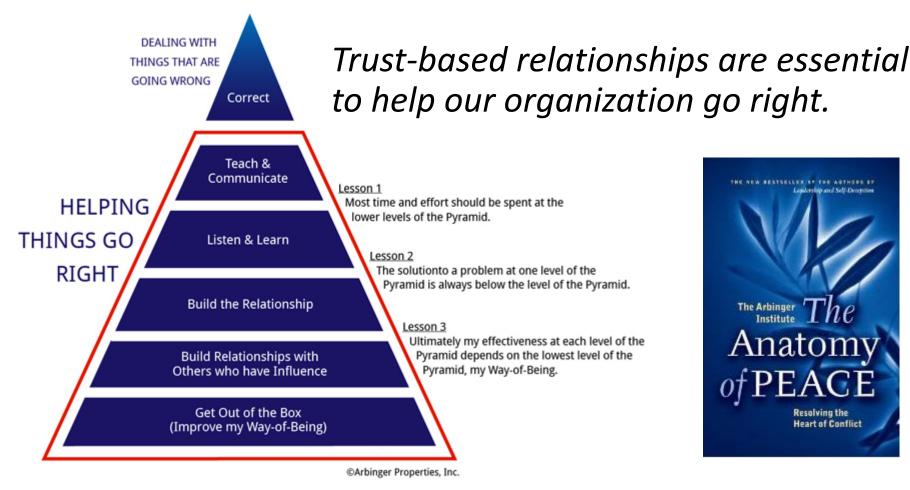
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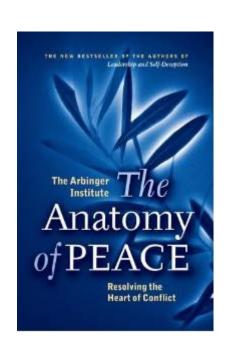


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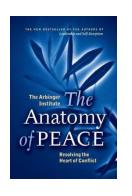




Translated version of the ARBINGER Pyramid of Influence



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Information about the book

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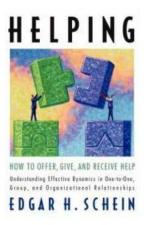
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 How to Offer, Give, and Receive Help
 Understanding Effective Dynamics in One-to-One, Group, and
 Organizational Relationships
- Author: Edgar Henry Schein (1928--)
 - A Professor Emeritus at the MIT Sloan School of Management
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- ISBN: 978-1-57675-863-2
- Short book (167 pages)





Author's purpose



• To provide <u>practical insight</u> that might improve the reader's understanding and skill in helping.





Contents of the book

- Preface
- Acknowledgments
- Main Chapters
- 1. What Is Help?
- 2. Economics and Theater: The Essence of Relationships
- 3. The Inequalities and Ambiguities of the Helping Relationship
- 4. Helping as Theater: Three Kinds of Helping Roles



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- 5. Humble Inquiry: The key to Building and Maintaining the Helping Relationship
- 6. Applying the Inquiry Process
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Social economics

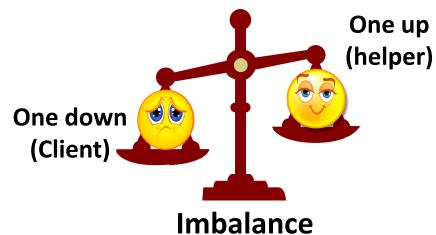
 Help is "one of the most important currencies that flow between members of society because help is one of the main ways of expressing love and other caring emotions that humans express." (p. 14)

Examples of the social currencies are love, attention, acknowledgment, acceptance, praise, and help.



One down and one up

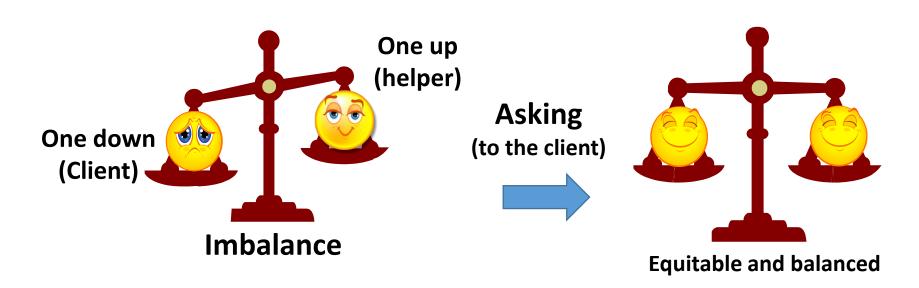
• In summary, at the beginning, every helping relationship is in a state of imbalance. The client is one down and therefore vulnerable: the helper is one up and therefore powerful. Much of what goes wrong in the helping process is the failure to acknowledge this initial imbalance and deal with it. (p. 107)





Asking

- Asking temporarily empowers the other person in the conversation. It implies that the other person knows something that I need to or want to know.
- A conversation that leads to a relationship has to be sociologically equitable and balanced.





Teamwork

 In other words, the essence of teamwork is the development and maintenance of reciprocal helping relationship among all the members.
 (p. 107)



Leadership

- One of the most counterintuitive principle of managed change is that you can't change anyone until you can turn them into a client who is seeking help from you. (p. 128)
- As leaders interact with others, they must realize that the best way to improve the organization is to create an environment of mutual help and to demonstrate their own helping skills in their dealings with others in the organization. (p. 143)



"A Final Word" of the Book

"What I have tried to do in this short book is to reframe many social processes as variations of "helping." These include building trust, cooperation, collaboration, teamwork, leadership, and change management. In doing so, I have come to recognize that helping is at the heart of all social life, whether we are talking about ants, birds, or humans. It would seem then that if we can be more effective as helpers, it will improve life for all of us. " (P157)