

## **Paths and Core Competencies**

The Toastmasters Pathways learning experience was developed around the five core competencies identified by the Board of Directors.

## FIVE CORE COMPETENCIES

It is important to note that each member using Base Camp will have the opportunity to select from many electives to extend their learning. With the addition of electives, members have the flexibility to cover all core competencies within each path.



## **11 PATHS**

The primary core competencies represented in each path are listed in order of emphasis next to the path name.

Ð	<b>Dynamic Leadership</b> Build strategic leadership and conflict resolution skills	1235
	Effective Coaching	1245
AR COLOR	Build interpersonal communication, leadership, and coaching skills	
	Engaging Humor	1 5
	Build public speaking and speech writing skills	
	Innovative Planning	1 4 2 5
	Build creative project management and communication skills	
	Leadership Development	1245
110	Build communication and leadership skills	
	Motivational Strategies	1235
	Build motivational leadership and communication skills	
	Persuasive Influence	1 3 2 5
	Build skills to lead in complex situations	
	Presentation Mastery	1 5
	Build public speaking skills	
	Strategic Relationships	1235
J.	Build networking, leadership, and communication skills	
5-12 A.	Team Collaboration	1 4 2 5
	Build collaborative leadership skills	
	Visionary Communication	1 3 2 5
R	Build innovative communication and leadership skills	





## **DYNAMIC LEADERSHIP**

This path helps you build your skills as a strategic leader. The projects on this path focus on understanding leadership and communication styles, the effect of conflict on a group, and the skills needed to defuse and direct conflict. These projects also emphasize the development of strategies to facilitate change in an organization or group, interpersonal communication, and public speaking. This path culminates in a project focused on applying your leadership skills. \*Not available in non-English printed materials.

# **Five Levels**



#### **Mastering Fundamentals**

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- Researching and Presenting



- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Understanding Your Communication Style
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring

Increasing Knowledge		Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)	
	Negotiate the Best Outcome	<ul> <li>Deliver Social Speeches</li> <li>Using Presentation Software</li> <li>Connect with Storytelling</li> <li>Creating Effective Visual Aids</li> <li>Using Descriptive Language</li> <li>Connect with Your Audience</li> <li>Make Connections Through Networking</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Focus on the Positive</li> <li>Inspire Your Audience</li> <li>Prepare for an Interview</li> <li>Understanding Vocal Variety</li> <li>Effective Body Language</li> <li>Active Listening</li> <li>Know Your Sense of Humor</li> </ul>
	Building Skills	Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)	
	Manage Change	<ul> <li>Create a Podcast</li> <li>Building a Social Media Presence</li> <li>Managing a Difficult Audience</li> <li>Write a Compelling Blog</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Manage Online Meetings</li> <li>Question-and-Answer Session</li> <li>Public Relations Strategies</li> <li>Manage Projects Successfully</li> </ul>
	Demonstrating Expertise	Level 5 Elective Projects (ch	oose 1)
	Lead in Any Situation	<ul> <li>Lessons Learned</li> <li>Moderate a Panel Discussion</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Leading in Your Volunteer Organization</li> </ul>
	Path Completion • Reflect on Your Path	<ul> <li>Ethical Leadership</li> <li>High Performance Leadership</li> </ul>	Prepare to Speak Professionally





# **EFFECTIVE COACHING**

This path helps you build your skills as a positive communicator and leader. The projects on this path focus on understanding and building consensus, contributing to the development of others by coaching, and establishing strong public speaking skills. Each project emphasizes the importance of effective interpersonal communication. This path culminates in a "High Performance Leadership" project of your design.

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# **Five Levels**



#### **Mastering Fundamentals**

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- Researching and Presenting



- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Understanding Your Communication Style
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring

Increasing Knowledge		Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)	
• Reaching Consensus	<ul> <li>Deliver Social Speeches</li> <li>Using Presentation Software</li> <li>Connect with Storytelling</li> <li>Creating Effective Visual Aids</li> <li>Using Descriptive Language</li> <li>Connect with Your Audience</li> <li>Make Connections Through Networking</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Focus on the Positive</li> <li>Inspire Your Audience</li> <li>Prepare for an Interview</li> <li>Understanding Vocal Variety</li> <li>Effective Body Language</li> <li>Active Listening</li> <li>Know Your Sense of Humor</li> </ul>	
4=	<b>Building Skills</b> <ul> <li>Improvement Through</li> <li>Positive Coaching</li> </ul>	Level 4 Elective Projects (cho • Create a Podcast • Building a Social Media Presence • Managing a Difficult Audience • Write a Compelling Blog	oose 1) <ul> <li>Manage Online Meetings</li> <li>Question-and-Answer Session</li> <li>Public Relations Strategies</li> <li>Manage Projects Successfully</li> </ul>
	Demonstrating Expertise	Level 5 Elective Projects (ch	oose 1)
5	High Performance Leadership	<ul> <li>Lessons Learned</li> <li>Moderate a Panel Discussion</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Leading in Your Volunteer Organization</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>Path Completion</li><li>Reflect on Your Path</li></ul>	Ethical Leadership	Prepare to Speak Professionally





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## **ENGAGING HUMOR**

This path helps you build your skills as an accomplished public speaker. The projects on this path focus on learning how an audience responds to different types of humor and improving your ability to deliver a message with humor. The projects contribute to developing an understanding of effective public speaking technique, speech writing, speech delivery, and using humorous stories. This path culminates in an extended speech that will allow you to apply what you learned.

# **Five Levels**



#### **Mastering Fundamentals**

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- Researching and Presenting



- Know Your Sense of Humor
- Connect With Your Audience
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring

Increasing Knowledge	Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)	
• Engage Your Audience with Humor	<ul> <li>Deliver Social Speeches</li> <li>Using Presentation Software</li> <li>Connect with Storytelling</li> <li>Creating Effective Visual Aids</li> <li>Using Descriptive Language</li> <li>Connect with Your Audience</li> <li>Make Connections Through Networking</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Focus on the Positive</li> <li>Inspire Your Audience</li> <li>Prepare for an Interview</li> <li>Understanding Vocal Variety</li> <li>Active Listening</li> </ul>
Building Skills	Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)	
Building Skills     The Power of Humor in an     Impromptu Speech	<ul> <li>Create a Podcast</li> <li>Building a Social Media Presence</li> <li>Write a Compelling Blog</li> <li>Manage Online Meetings</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Question-and-Answer Session</li> <li>Public Relations Strategies</li> <li>Manage Projects Successfully</li> <li>Managing a Difficult Audience</li> </ul>
Demonstrating Expertise	Level 5 Elective Projects (ch	oose 1)
Deliver Your Message with Humor	<ul> <li>Lessons Learned</li> <li>Moderate a Panel Discussion</li> </ul>	Leading in Your Volunteer Organization
Path Completion     Reflect on Your Path	<ul> <li>Moderate a Parier Discussion</li> <li>Ethical Leadership</li> <li>High Performance Leadership</li> </ul>	Prepare to Speak Professionally







## **INNOVATIVE PLANNING**

This path helps you build your skills as a public speaker and leader. The projects on this path focus on developing a strong connection with audience members when you present, speech writing, and speech delivery. The projects contribute to building an understanding of the steps to manage a project, as well as creating innovative solutions. This path culminates in a "High Performance Leadership" project of your design.

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# **Five Levels**



#### **Mastering Fundamentals**

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- Researching and Presenting



- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Connect With Your Audience
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring

3	Increasing Knowledge • Present a Proposal	Level 3 Elective Projects (che • Deliver Social Speeches • Using Presentation Software • Connect with Storytelling • Creating Effective Visual Aids • Using Descriptive Language • Make Connections Through Networking	oose 2)  Focus on the Positive Inspire Your Audience Prepare for an Interview Understanding Vocal Variety Effective Body Language Active Listening Know Your Sense of Humor
4=	<b>Building Skills</b> <ul> <li>Manage Projects Successfully</li> </ul>	Level 4 Elective Projects (che • Create a Podcast • Building a Social Media Presence • Managing a Difficult Audience • Write a Compelling Blog	oose 1) • Manage Online Meetings • Question-and-Answer Session • Public Relations Strategies
5	Demonstrating Expertise • High Performance Leadership Path Completion • Reflect on Your Path	Level 5 Elective Projects (che • Lessons Learned • Moderate a Panel Discussion • Ethical Leadership	oose 1) • Leading in Your Volunteer Organization • Prepare to Speak Professionally





# LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

This path helps you build your skills as an effective communicator and leader. The projects on this path focus on learning how to manage time, as well as how to develop and implement a plan. Public speaking and leading a team are emphasized in all projects. This path culminates in the planning and execution of an event that will allow you to apply everything you learned.

# **Five Levels**



#### **Mastering Fundamentals**

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- Researching and Presenting



- Managing Time
- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring

	Increasing Knowledge	Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)	
3	Planning and Implementing	<ul> <li>Deliver Social Speeches</li> <li>Using Presentation Software</li> <li>Connect with Storytelling</li> <li>Creating Effective Visual Aids</li> <li>Using Descriptive Language</li> <li>Connect with Your Audience</li> <li>Make Connections Through Networking</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Focus on the Positive</li> <li>Inspire Your Audience</li> <li>Prepare for an Interview</li> <li>Understanding Vocal Variety</li> <li>Effective Body Language</li> <li>Active Listening</li> <li>Know Your Sense of Humor</li> </ul>
Building Skills		Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)	
4=	• Leading Your Team	<ul> <li>Create a Podcast</li> <li>Building a Social Media Presence</li> <li>Managing a Difficult Audience</li> <li>Write a Compelling Blog</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Manage Online Meetings</li> <li>Question-and-Answer Session</li> <li>Public Relations Strategies</li> <li>Manage Projects Successfully</li> </ul>
	Demonstrating Expertise	Level 5 Elective Projects (ch	oose 1)
5	Manage Successful Events	<ul> <li>Lessons Learned</li> <li>Moderate a Panel Discussion</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Leading in Your Volunteer Organization</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>Path Completion</li><li>Reflect on Your Path</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Moderate a Parter Discussion</li> <li>Ethical Leadership</li> <li>High Performance Leadership</li> </ul>	Prepare to Speak Professionally





# **MOTIVATIONAL STRATEGIES**

This path helps you build your skills as a powerful and effective communicator. The projects focus on learning strategies for building connections with the people around you, understanding motivation, and successfully leading small groups to accomplish tasks. This path culminates in a comprehensive team-building project that brings all of your skills together—including public speaking. \*Not available in printed materials.

# **Five Levels**



#### **Mastering Fundamentals**

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- Researching and Presenting



- Understanding Your Communication Style
- Active Listening
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring

Increasing Knowledge	Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)	
• Understanding Emotional Intelligence	<ul> <li>Deliver Social Speeches</li> <li>Using Presentation Software</li> <li>Connect with Storytelling</li> <li>Creating Effective Visual Aids</li> <li>Using Descriptive Language</li> <li>Connect with Your Audience</li> <li>Make Connections Through Networking</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Focus on the Positive</li> <li>Inspire Your Audience</li> <li>Prepare for an Interview</li> <li>Understanding Vocal Variety</li> <li>Effective Body Language</li> <li>Know Your Sense of Humor</li> </ul>
Building Skills	Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)	
• Motivate Others	<ul> <li>Create a Podcast</li> <li>Building a Social Media Presence</li> <li>Managing a Difficult Audience</li> <li>Write a Compelling Blog</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Manage Online Meetings</li> <li>Question-and-Answer Session</li> <li>Public Relations Strategies</li> <li>Manage Projects Successfully</li> </ul>
Demonstrating Expertise	Level 5 Elective Projects (ch	oose 1)
• Team Building	<ul> <li>Lessons Learned</li> <li>Moderate a Panel Discussion</li> </ul>	Leading in Your Volunteer Organization
Path Completion     Reflect on Your Path	<ul> <li>Ethical Leadership</li> <li>High Performance Leadership</li> </ul>	Prepare to Speak Professionally





# **PERSUASIVE INFLUENCE**

This path helps you build your skills as an innovative communicator and leader. The projects on this path focus on how to negotiate a positive outcome together with building strong interpersonal communication and public speaking skills. Each project emphasizes developing leadership skills to use in complex situations, as well as creating innovative solutions to challenges. This path culminates in a "High Performance Leadership" project of your design. \*Not available in printed materials.

# **Five Levels**



#### **Mastering Fundamentals**

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- Researching and Presenting



- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Active Listening
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring

Increasing Knowledge		Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)	
• Understanding Conflict Resolution	<ul> <li>Deliver Social Speeches</li> <li>Using Presentation Software</li> <li>Connect with Storytelling</li> <li>Creating Effective Visual Aids</li> <li>Using Descriptive Language</li> <li>Connect with Your Audience</li> <li>Make Connections Through Networking</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Focus on the Positive</li> <li>Inspire Your Audience</li> <li>Prepare for an Interview</li> <li>Understanding Vocal Variety</li> <li>Effective Body Language</li> <li>Know Your Sense of Humor</li> </ul>	
Building Skills		Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)	
	Leading in Difficult Situations	<ul> <li>Create a Podcast</li> <li>Building a Social Media Presence</li> <li>Managing a Difficult Audience</li> <li>Write a Compelling Blog</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Manage Online Meetings</li> <li>Question-and-Answer Session</li> <li>Public Relations Strategies</li> <li>Manage Projects Successfully</li> </ul>
	Demonstrating Expertise	Level 5 Elective Projects (ch	oose 1)
5	High Performance Leadership	<ul> <li>Lessons Learned</li> <li>Moderate a Panel Discussion</li> </ul>	Leading in Your Volunteer Organization
	<ul><li>Path Completion</li><li>Reflect on Your Path</li></ul>	Ethical Leadership	Prepare to Speak Professionally





## **PRESENTATION MASTERY**

This path helps you build your skills as an accomplished public speaker. The projects on this path focus on learning how an audience responds to you and improving your connection with audience members. The projects contribute to developing an understanding of effective public speaking technique, including speech writing and speech delivery. This path culminates in an extended speech that will allow you to apply what you learned.

# **Five Levels**



#### **Mastering Fundamentals**

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- Researching and Presenting



- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Effective Body Language
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring

Increasing Knowledge	Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)	
• Persuasive Speaking	<ul> <li>Deliver Social Speeches</li> <li>Using Presentation Software</li> <li>Connect with Storytelling</li> <li>Creating Effective Visual Aids</li> <li>Using Descriptive Language</li> <li>Connect with Your Audience</li> <li>Make Connections Through Networking</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Focus on the Positive</li> <li>Inspire Your Audience</li> <li>Prepare for an Interview</li> <li>Understanding Vocal Variety</li> <li>Active Listening</li> <li>Know Your Sense of Humor</li> </ul>
Building Skills	Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)	
• Managing a Difficult Audience	<ul> <li>Create a Podcast</li> <li>Building a Social Media Presence</li> <li>Write a Compelling Blog</li> <li>Manage Online Meetings</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Question-and-Answer Session</li> <li>Public Relations Strategies</li> <li>Manage Projects Successfully</li> </ul>
Demonstrating Expertise	Level 5 Elective Projects (ch	oose 1)
Sector of the sector of t	<ul> <li>Lessons Learned</li> <li>Moderate a Panel Discussion</li> </ul>	Leading in Your Volunteer Organization
Path Completion     Reflect on Your Path	<ul> <li>Moderate a Parter Discussion</li> <li>Ethical Leadership</li> <li>High Performance Leadership</li> </ul>	2. 32.112.0001





# STRATEGIC RELATIONSHIPS

This path helps you build your skills as a leader in communication. The projects on this path focus on understanding diversity, building personal and/or professional connections with a variety of people, and developing a public relations strategy. Communicating well interpersonally and as a public speaker is emphasized in each project. The path culminates in a project to apply your skills as a leader in a volunteer organization.

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# **Five Levels**



#### **Mastering Fundamentals**

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- Researching and Presenting



- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Cross-Cultural Understanding
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring

Increasing Knowledge	Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)	
• Make Connections Through Networking	<ul> <li>Deliver Social Speeches</li> <li>Using Presentation Software</li> <li>Connect with Storytelling</li> <li>Creating Effective Visual Aids</li> <li>Using Descriptive Language</li> <li>Connect with Your Audience</li> <li>Focus on the Positive</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Inspire Your Audience</li> <li>Prepare for an Interview</li> <li>Understanding Vocal Variety</li> <li>Effective Body Language</li> <li>Active Listening</li> <li>Know Your Sense of Humor</li> </ul>
Building Skills	Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)	
Building Skills     Public Relations Strategies	<ul> <li>Create a Podcast</li> <li>Building a Social Media Presence</li> <li>Managing a Difficult Audience</li> <li>Write a Compelling Blog</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Manage Online Meetings</li> <li>Question-and-Answer Session</li> <li>Manage Projects Successfully</li> </ul>
Demonstrating Expertise	Level 5 Elective Projects (ch	oose 1)
• Leading in Your Volunteer Organization	<ul> <li>Lessons Learned</li> <li>Moderate a Panel Discussion</li> </ul>	Prepare to Speak Professionally
Path Completion     Reflect on Your Path	<ul> <li>Ethical Leadership</li> <li>High Performance Leadership</li> </ul>	





## **TEAM COLLABORATION**

This path helps you build your skills as a collaborative leader. The projects on this path focus on active listening, motivating others, and collaborating with a team. Each project contributes to building interpersonal communication and public speaking skills. This path culminates in a project focused on applying your leadership skills.

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# **Five Levels**



#### **Mastering Fundamentals**

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- Researching and Presenting



- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Active Listening
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring

Increasing Knowledge	Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)	
• Successful Collaboration	<ul> <li>Deliver Social Speeches</li> <li>Using Presentation Software</li> <li>Connect with Storytelling</li> <li>Creating Effective Visual Aids</li> <li>Using Descriptive Language</li> <li>Connect with Your Audience</li> <li>Make Connections Through Networking</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Focus on the Positive</li> <li>Inspire Your Audience</li> <li>Prepare for an Interview</li> <li>Understanding Vocal Variety</li> <li>Effective Body Language</li> <li>Know Your Sense of Humor</li> </ul>
Building Skills	Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)	
• Motivate Others	<ul> <li>Create a Podcast</li> <li>Building a Social Media Presence</li> <li>Managing a Difficult Audience</li> <li>Write a Compelling Blog</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Manage Online Meetings</li> <li>Question-and-Answer Session</li> <li>Public Relations Strategies</li> <li>Manage Projects Successfully</li> </ul>
Demonstrating Expertise	Level 5 Elective Projects (ch	oose 1)
• Lead in Any Situation	<ul> <li>Lessons Learned</li> <li>Moderate a Panel Discussion</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Leading in Your Volunteer Organization</li> </ul>
Path Completion     Reflect on Your Path	<ul> <li>Moderate a Parier Discussion</li> <li>Ethical Leadership</li> <li>High Performance Leadership</li> </ul>	Prepare to Speak Professionally







## **VISIONARY COMMUNICATION**

This path helps you build your skills as a strategic communicator and leader. The projects on this path focus on developing your skills for sharing information with a group, planning communications, and creating innovative solutions. Speech writing and speech delivery are emphasized in each project. This path culminates in the development and launch of a long-term personal or professional vision. *\*Not available in printed materials.* 

# **Five Levels**



#### **Mastering Fundamentals**

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- Researching and Presenting



- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Understanding Your Communication Style
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring

Increasing Knowledge		Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)	
3	Develop a Communication Plan	<ul> <li>Deliver Social Speeches</li> <li>Using Presentation Software</li> <li>Connect with Storytelling</li> <li>Creating Effective Visual Aids</li> <li>Using Descriptive Language</li> <li>Connect with Your Audience</li> <li>Make Connections Through Networking</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Focus on the Positive</li> <li>Inspire Your Audience</li> <li>Prepare for an Interview</li> <li>Understanding Vocal Variety</li> <li>Effective Body Language</li> <li>Active Listening</li> <li>Know Your Sense of Humor</li> </ul>
	Building Skills	Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)	
	Communicate Change	<ul> <li>Create a Podcast</li> <li>Building a Social Media Presence</li> <li>Managing a Difficult Audience</li> <li>Write a Compelling Blog</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Manage Online Meetings</li> <li>Question-and-Answer Session</li> <li>Public Relations Strategies</li> <li>Manage Projects Successfully</li> </ul>
	Demonstrating Expertise	Level 5 Elective Projects (ch	oose 1)
5	Lead in Any Situation	<ul> <li>Lessons Learned</li> <li>Moderate a Panel Discussion</li> </ul>	Leading in Your Volunteer     Organization
	<ul><li>Path Completion</li><li>Reflect on Your Path</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Ethical Leadership</li> <li>High Performance Leadership</li> </ul>	Prepare to Speak Professionally