

Six thinking hats

Intuitive



Informative



Constructive



Reflective



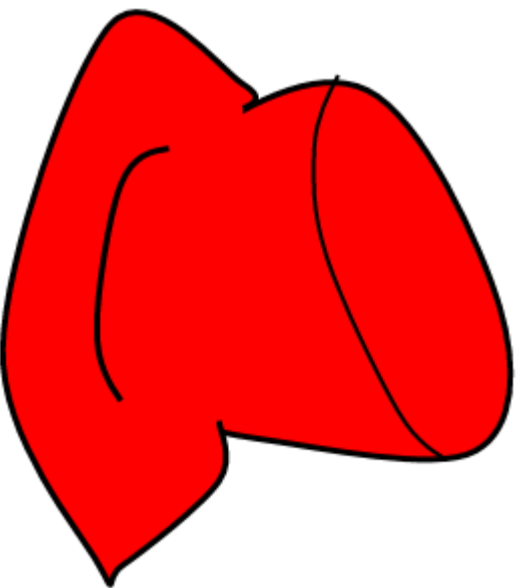
Creative



Cautious

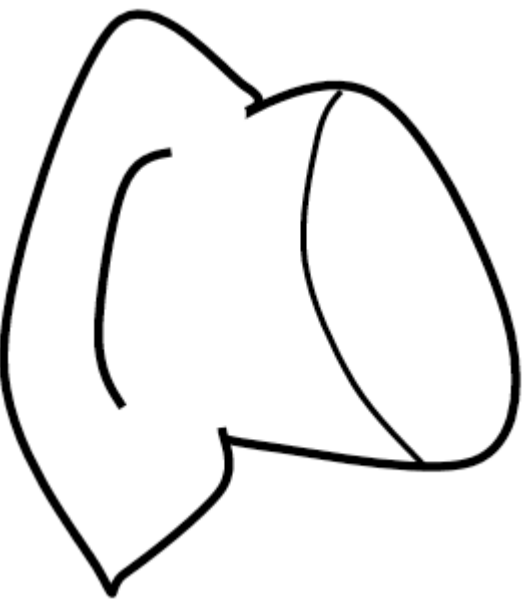


The red hat



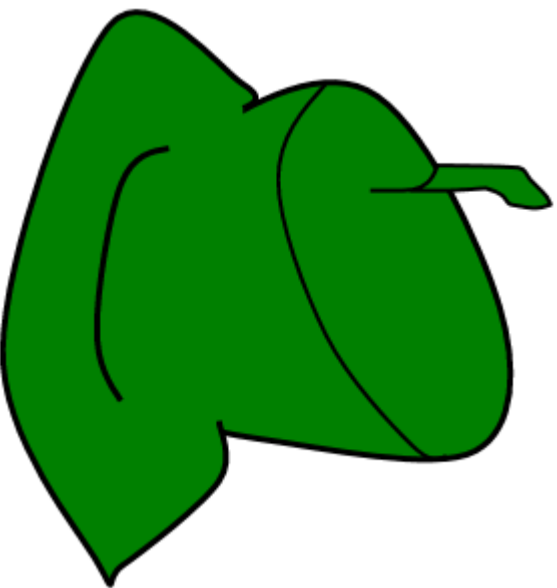
- What do you feel about the suggestion?
- What are your gut reactions?
- What intuitions do you have?
- Don't think too long or too hard.

The white hat



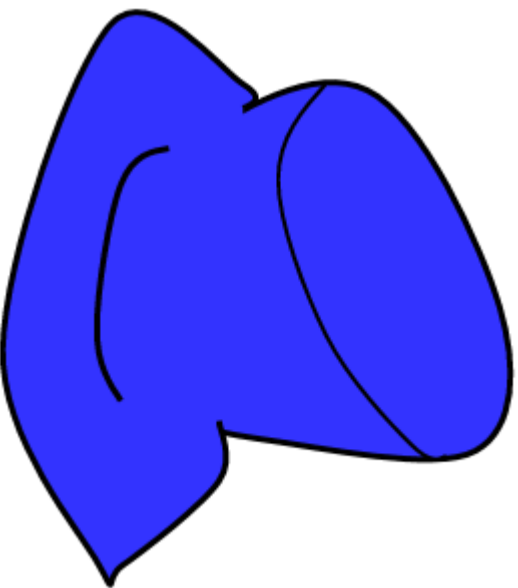
- The information seeking hat.
- What are the facts?
- What information is available? What is relevant?
- When wearing the white hat we are neutral in our thinking.

The green hat



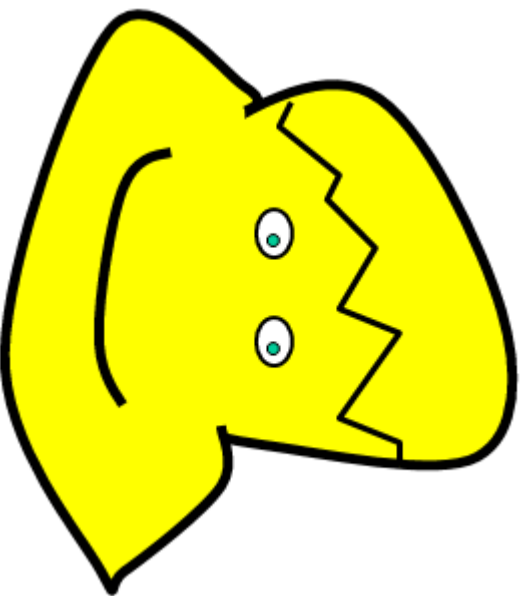
- This is the creative mode of thinking.
- Green represents growth and movement.
- In the green hat we look to new ideas and solutions.
- Lateral thinking wears a green hat.

The blue hat



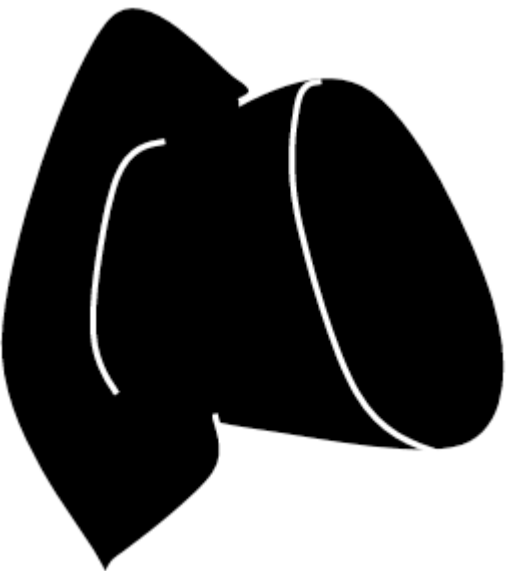
- The control hat, organising thinking itself.
- Sets the focus, calls for the use of other hats.
- Monitors and reflects on the thinking processes used.
- Blue is for planning.

The yellow hat



- The sunshine hat.
- It is positive and constructive.
- It is about effectiveness and getting a job done.
- What are the benefits, the advantages?

The black hat



- The caution hat.
- In the black hat a thinker points out errors or pit-falls.
- What are the risks or dangers involved?
- Identifies difficulties and problems.