

#### Goals for this tutorial

Contributing to the discussion, and working well together on the tasks in this session will help you -

1. Explore how actions create and shape culture
2. Consider how habits and routines can be made visible
3. Develop team skills – especially sharing and cooperation
4. Learn to evaluate actions and perceptions in relation to others' understanding

#### Time plan

15 mins	Introduction and overview
45 mins	Playing “four Tricks”
45 mins	Debriefing the action <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Exploring beliefs and actions in the light of actual outcomes</li><li>▪ Accounting for diversity in perceptions</li></ul>
20 mins	Writing personal reflections

#### Graduate Qualities

*Sessions in this series address capabilities required by competent and proficient engineers.*

*This session addresses Graduate Capabilities of*

**Being Responsible** = Appreciating and respect diversity. Acting with integrity as part of local, national, global and professional communities.

**Being an independent learner** = engage with new ideas and ways of thinking, and critically analyse complex issues. Design a structured approach to researching a question. Propose new directions for research based on findings.

**Using effective communication** = articulate ideas and convey them effectively using a range of media. Work collaboratively and engage with people in different settings. Recognise how culture can shape communication.

#### Activities in this Session

*The key purpose of this Session is to extend your awareness of ways in which culture and preferences influence unconscious beliefs and behaviours*

*To be able to do this well requires collaborative exploration of actions and direct experiences. This session involves everyone in a simulation of ways in which cultures are developed and become routines that are barely noticed.*

*During this session you will*

- Use your current knowledge – and some assumptions – to participate in the simulation as best you can
- Compete and collaborate in different teams to develop and then examine behaviours
- Demonstrate awareness of how behaviours shape perceptions and vice versus.

#### Focus questions when starting

Before you begin this session consider these questions -

- What do you know about how culture is developed and sustained?
- In what ways could culture be passed on?
- What factors might cause changes?
- What skills are needed to identify and critically examine assumptions underlying cultures?
- What have you learned about your own culture?
- Where were you when you learned this?