

# Learning about Learning in a Lean Environment

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# Introductions



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# A Really Basic Question



But how do  
normal people  
learn?

# A Really Simple Answer

Study some mostly-normal people for 6 months, maybe like these people:



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# Metacognition

- Who has heard this term before?
- Metacognition is “cognition about cognition”, “thinking about thinking”, and “knowing about knowing”, becoming “aware of one’s awareness and higher-order thinking skills.”

# Take a moment to write down

- What do I hope to learn from this session?
- How will I learn or retain the information?
- What will I do with what I learn?

# The Experiment, Part 1

# Background

- Partnered with Martin's Point HealthCare
- Martin's Point approach:
  - Define their current condition
  - Learn about Metacognitive strategies
  - Start practicing
  - Reassess



# Learning in Our Natural Habitat



# Three Reflection Questions

- What did you do in order to learn?
- What were the results?
- What did you learn about learning?

# Learn to See the Gaps

## Hidden Pictures®

### Morning Rush

By Marilee Harrauld-Pilz



In this big picture, find the slice of pizza, radish, mitten, musical note, slice of bread, ice-cream cone, flag, doughnut, book, cracker, watermelon, butterfly, snake, ring, paintbrush, and crown.

Can you find these  
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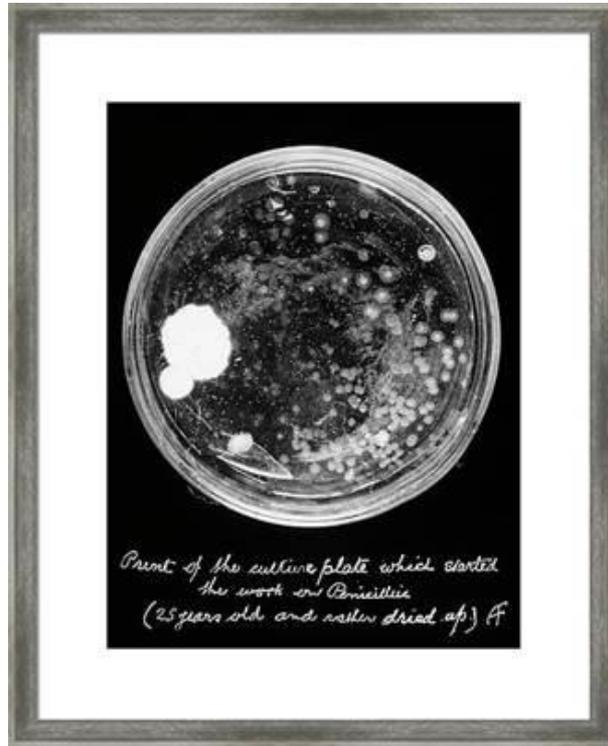
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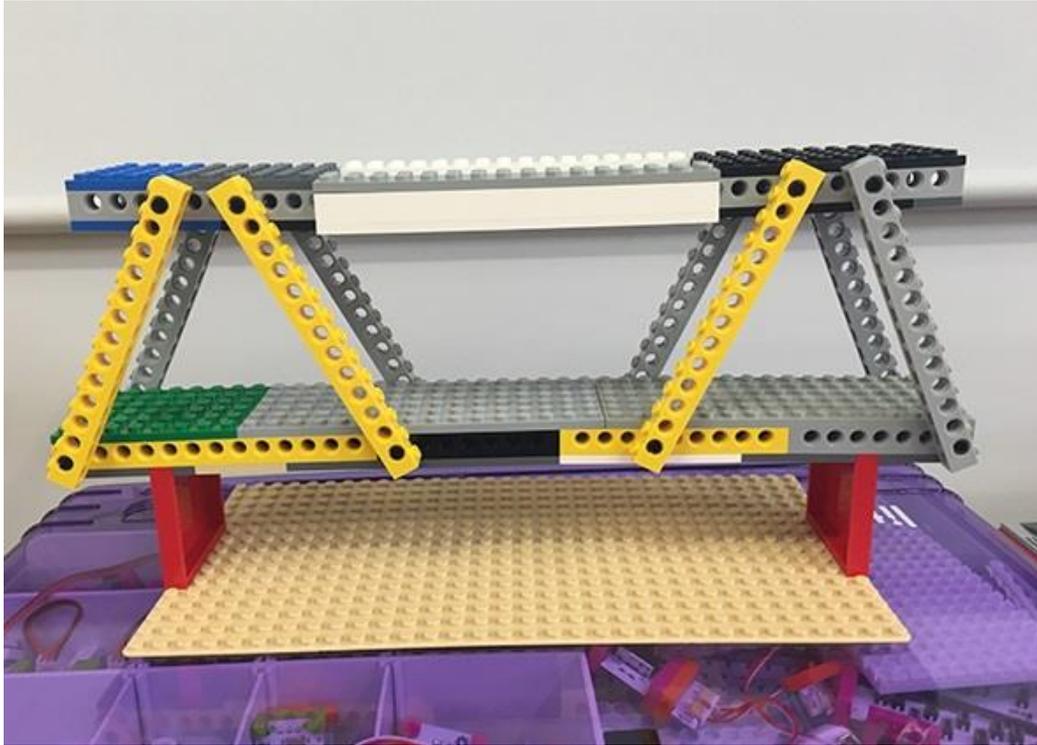


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# Beautiful "Oops"



# Create The Environment



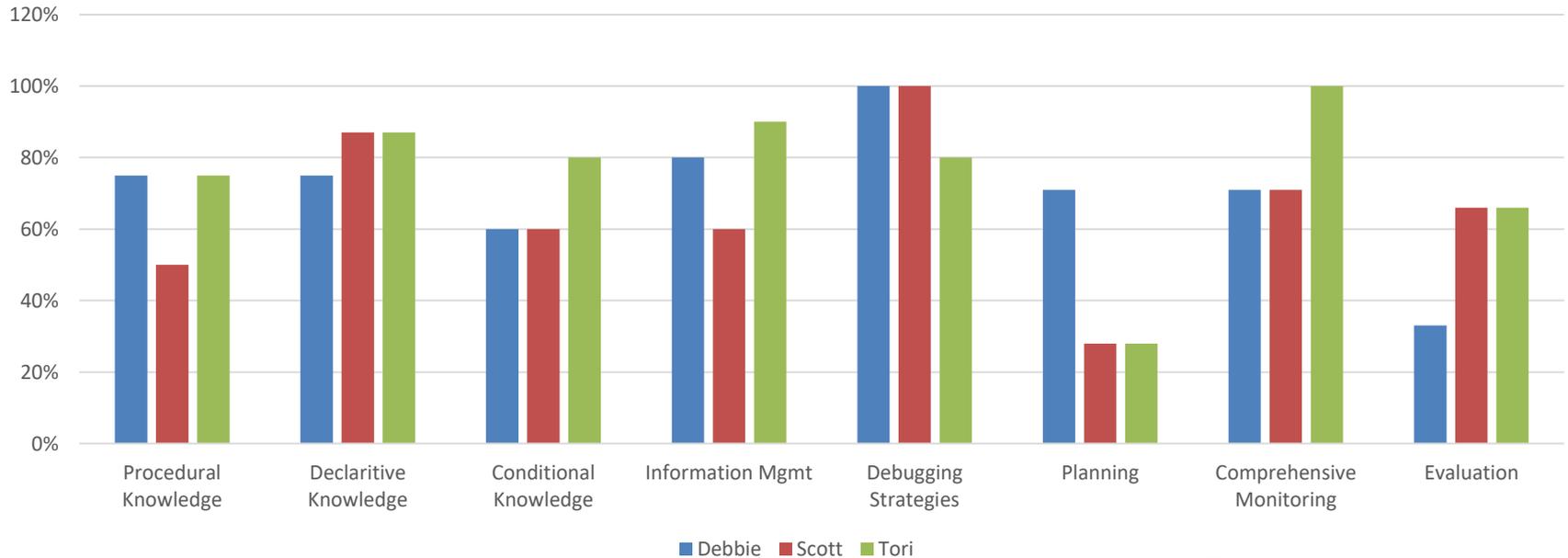
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# Establish a Baseline

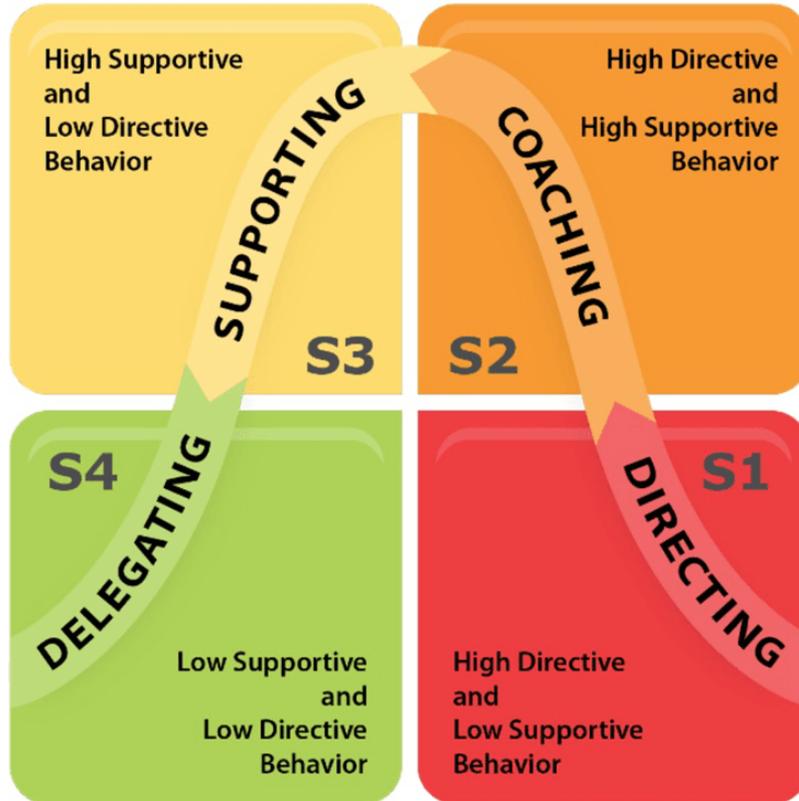
- VARK Assessment
  - Visual, Aural, Read, Kinesthetic
- Metacognition Awareness Inventory (MAI)

# Baseline Condition

Metacognitive Assessment Results



# Test the Gap



# Raising Awareness

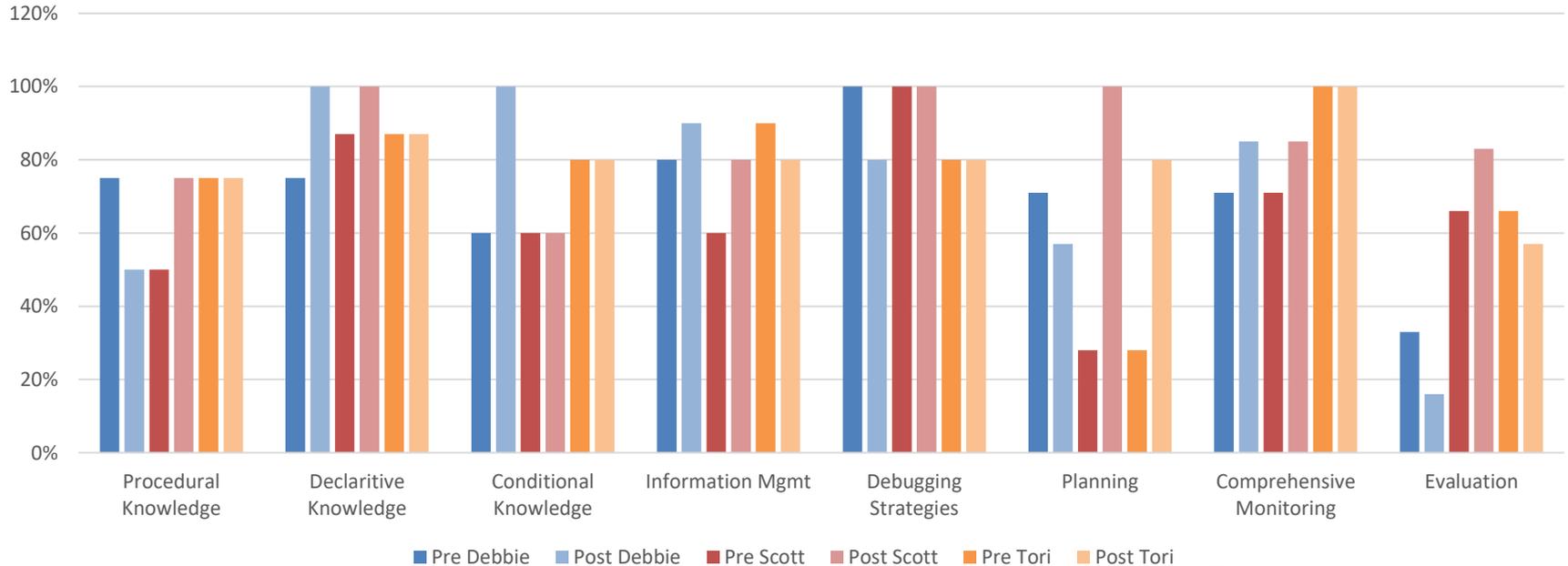


# Intentional Routines



# Post-Assessment Comparison

Metacognitive Assessment Results



# Your Turn!

- Do you know how you learn?



# What Did You Learn About Yourself?

- Think – Pair – Share
- Q&A

# Conclusion



- Build a purposeful and intentional culture
- Layer structure on top of it
- Create vulnerability