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## Get Me Some Grit

Finding resilience in uncertain times!



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#### Important to Note

Resilience is not innate – it can be learnt! A persons resilience increases as one continually applies resilient thinking and behaviours in their everyday lives.

# Grit versus Resilience

- Grit is our passion and perseverance towards reaching a longterm goal.
- **Resilience** is the optimism to keep bouncing back from failure.
- Both of these traits for success are rooted in a growth mindset, and everyone can learn, develop and build their resilience and grit.

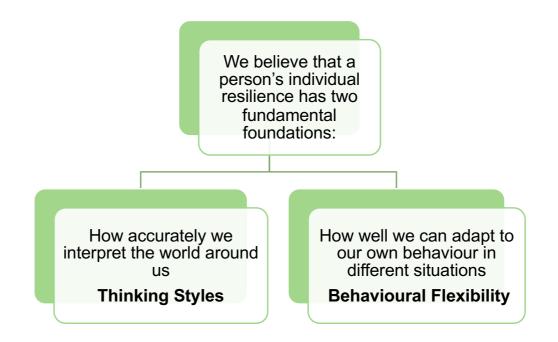
#### **Resilient Mantra**

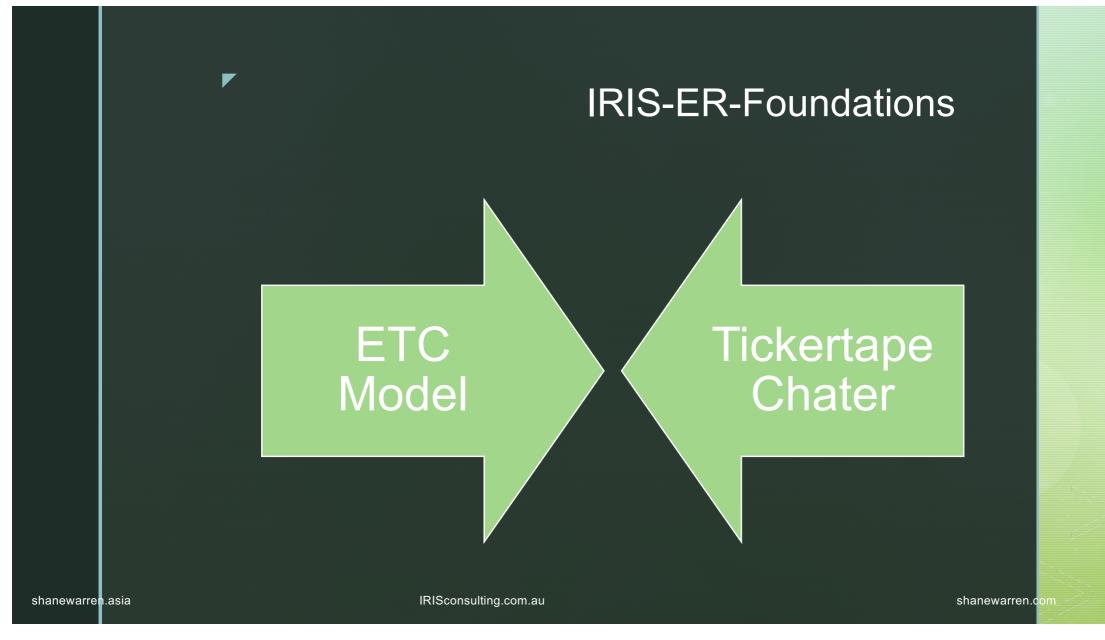
"Grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference."

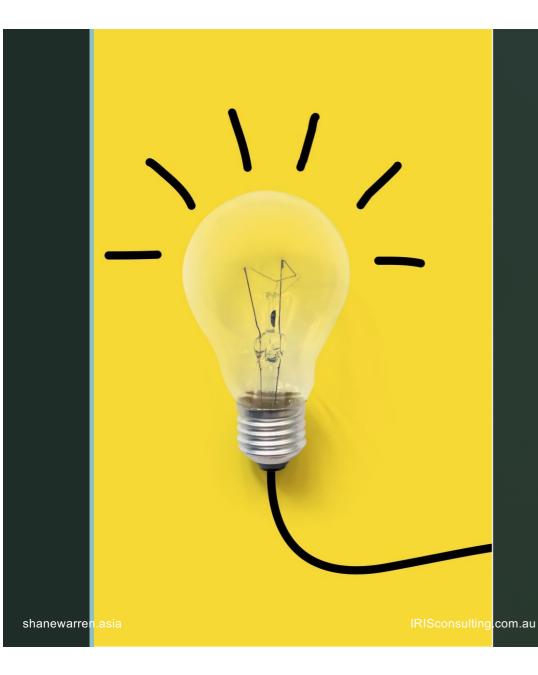
- Adaptation of 'The Serenity Prayer' by Reinhold Niebuhr (1932/33) -











## 8-IRIS-Strengths

- Making Connection
- Managing Icebergs
- Optimising Your Thinking
- Understanding Optimism
- Keeping Perspective
- Expressing Emotions
- Applying Empathy
- Choosing Your Battles

#### What is a growth mindset?

"In a **growth mindset**, people believe that their most basic abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work—brains and talent are just the starting point. This view creates a love of learning and a resilience that is essential for great accomplishment."

(Dweck, 2015)

Dweck discovered 4 factors that affect ongoing tenacity or grit:

- 1. Belief about themselves
- 2. Goals (or lack of)
- 3. Feelings about social connectedness
- 4. Self-regulatory skills
  - [Dweck, 2015)

## Don't make permeant decisions based on temporary emotions...

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A series of studies show that significant emotions effect the way we think, decide and solve problems. Some studies have shown that heightened emotions have the same effect on the brain as 3 to 5 heavy drinks!

#### Be Aware: Are You Emotionally Drunk

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#### The Power of Hope

#### Science tells us...

 Hope, which involves belief and expectation, causes the brain to release neurochemicals known as endorphins and enkephalins.

#### The benefits

- This chemical release actually mimics the effects of morphine.
- The result is that the brain can overcome hurdles and move to a place of recovery.

## Five Ways to Develop Grit & Resilience



Ţ		Focus on your language choice
Ŷ	<b>ni</b> ni	Surround yourself with people who persevere
6	8	Adopt flexible thinking patterns
	Ì	Set tiny goals that align with your purpose
	5	Build time into your day for reflection
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#### What's next?

- Worth looking at what your resilience strengths are...
- Then balance defaults to see what works when and what works against you in moments...
- Practice being flexible!

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# Cheers, thanks a lot!

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