

# Suzanne Driscoll Talks Mentorship and Enthusiasm with the DBR

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## Q&A - Best Mentors: Suzanne M. Driscoll on the Importance of Enthusiasm

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### **Name a secret ingredient or two for effective mentoring.**

Commitment; Listen.

### **What's the most important leadership lesson you've learned and why is it so valuable?**

Always follow through. You will not be trusted if you don't.

### **Which leadership skills were the most difficult for you to develop?**

I am a work in progress but at this point, I'd say time management/ability to delegate.

### **How do you teach negotiating skills?**

These skills are acquired through experience but the foundations for me are confidence in position, respect for your adversary and flexibility.

### **When trying to obtain buy-in for something new or sustaining, what tactics work for you?**

Be excited about it yourself—excitement is infectious.

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### **Do you have any quick tips for re-energizing an overworked team?**

Coordinate an unexpected event/outing.

### **What are the best ways for people to stay connected to a key mentor over time and locations?**

Calendar periodic reminders to check-in.

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