**Six thinking hats**

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| white hat | The White Hat calls for information known or needed. "The facts, just the facts." |
| yellow hat | The Yellow Hat symbolizes brightness and optimism. Under this hat you explore the positives and probe for value and benefit. |
| black hat | The Black Hat is judgment - the devil's advocate or why something may not work. Spot the difficulties and dangers; where things might go wrong. Probably the most powerful and useful of the Hats but a problem if overused. |
| red hat | The Red Hat signifies feelings, hunches and intuition. When using this hat you can express emotions and feelings and share fears, likes, dislikes, loves, and hates. |
| green hat | The Green Hat focuses on creativity; the possibilities, alternatives, and new ideas. It's an opportunity to express new concepts and new perceptions. |
| blue hat | The Blue Hat is used to manage the thinking process. |



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**Focus on**

**Manage the**

**Thinking**

**process**

**and**

**action plans**



**Expressing**

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