

Experiencing change

Speaker: Dan

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Dan's story

[Dan] When our second child was born we decided that I would take four months out and just be number one parent. It was tough, it was a really interesting adjustment that I had to make. Completely different structure, completely different way of living Monday through Friday. It gave me a really good understanding of time management.

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London – New York – Buenos Aires – Hong Kong

[Dan] I learnt how to prioritise everything.

[Text on screen]

Wake up – Lunch – Storytime – Bed

[Dan] And it makes you laser focused on what's important and what's not.

[Text on screen]

What's important
What's not

[Dan] I developed a lot of soft skills – empathy, negotiation. I mean negotiating with a three-year-old, good luck, it's really tough. But what it did teach me is how to motivate to negotiate.

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How to motivate to negotiate

[Dan] And bringing all of that into play with grown adults has made me more effective.

[Text on screen]

Has made me more effective

[Dan] All of these sort of things that make you a better human, a better rounded individual and therefore a better employee, a better worker. I'm more motivated than I have ever been and I'm a better leader.

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