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#### **Self-Reflection of understanding Diagram**

'What you do not measure, you cannot control." - Tom Peters

Fill in this diagram to self-evaluate your understanding of the material. This is an evaluation of how well you know the material and how well you understand it. In order to pass the exam successfully you should be aiming to reach the higher end of Level 3. If you really want to become a pro, then you should be aiming for Level 4. Your overall level of understanding will naturally follow the learning curve. So, it's important to keep track of where you are at each point of the training and address any areas of difficulty.

Based on where you are within the Self-Reflection of Understanding diagram you can evaluate the progress of your own training.

Level of Understanding	Before Training (Pre- knowledge)	Training Part 1 (1st Half)	Training Part 2 (2nd Half)	After studying / reading the book	After exercises and the Practice exam
Level 4					Ì
I can explain the					ļ
content and apply it .					/
Level 3					/
I get it!				,	Ready for
I am right where I am					the exam!
supposed to be.				por constitution of the second	
Level 2					
I almost have it but					
could use more					
practice.					
Level 1					
I am learning but don't					
quite get it yet.					

(Self-Reflection of Understanding Diagram)

Write down the problem areas that you are still having difficulty with so that you can consolidate them yourself, or with your trainer. After you have had a look at these, then you should evaluate to see if you now have a better understanding of where you actually are on the learning curve.

Troubleshoot	ing
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	Problem areas:	Торіс:
Part 1		
Part 2		
You have gone		
through the book		
and studied.		
You have answered		
the questions and		
done the practice		
exam.		

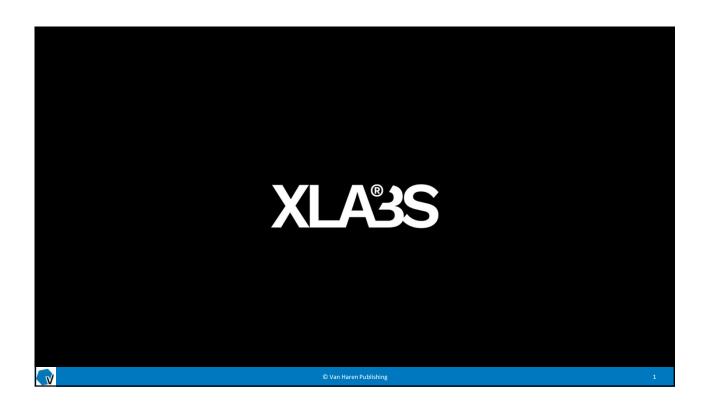
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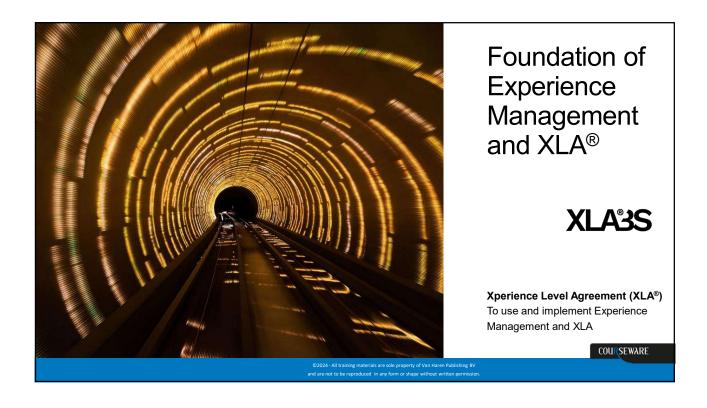
#### Day 1

- Introduction to XM and XLA
  - What are Experience Management and XLA?
  - Why are XM and XLA important?
  - XLA value drivers
- The XM Journey
  - The 5 Ds
- Define
  - Scope
  - Commitments
  - Purpose
  - Positioning
  - BHAG
- Discover
  - Experience
  - Collaboration
  - Business impact

#### Day 2

- Dream
  - Ambition organization
  - Ambition per service
  - Gap analysis
  - Roadmap
- Design
  - Experience
  - Method
  - Collaboration
  - XLA
  - Experience Management Office
- Deliver
  - Taskforce
  - Governance
  - Processes
  - Tooling
  - Reporting





# Introduction

- ✓ Please share a fun fact about yourself
- ✓ Your job role
- ✓ Expectations from this training



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### House rules and exam

- ✓ There are no stupid questions
- ✓ All comments are welcome
- √ Vegas!
- ✓ An open-book exam is available after the training
  - √ 40 multiple choice questions
  - ✓ ≥ 70% correct answers = you pass the exam



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# What does XLA mean (to you)?





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## Statements



If you apply XLAs properly, they can replace SLAs.



My organization measures customer experience and acts on it sufficiently.



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# Learning objectives

First, we explain what Experience Management (XM) and Xperience Level Agreement (XLA®) are and why they are important, and we talk about the three XLA® value drivers.

Then we cover the concept of the XM Journey. It consists of five phases that we discuss in detail.

Each phase has assignments so that you can put theory into practical examples. By the end of the training, you will have gone through the entire Journey, and have sufficient tools to get started with XM and XLA® and implement it successfully so that you can realize the defined experience.

We try to give a complete overview of all important aspects of XM and XLA®, but based on your organization's specific situation, you may choose to approach certain aspects differently during implementation.

Use the content of this training as a guideline.



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#### Course overview

Introduction to XM and XLA

- ✓ What are XM and XLA?
- ✓ Why are XM and XLA important?
- ✓ XLA value drivers

The XM Journey

✓ The 5 Ds

#### Define

- ✓ Scope
- ✓ Commitments
- ✓ Purpose
- ✓ Positioning
- ✓ BHAG

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- √ Experience
- ✓ Collaboration
- ✓ Business impact

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- ✓ Ambition organization
- ✓ Ambition per service
- ✓ Gap analysis
- ✓ Roadmap

#### Design

- ✓ Experience
- ✓ Method
- ✓ Collaboration
- ✓ XI A
- √ Experience Management Office

#### Deliver

- ✓ Taskforce
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- ✓ Processes
- ✓ Tooling
- ✓ Reporting

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# What are Experience Management and XLA?

# What is Experience Management?

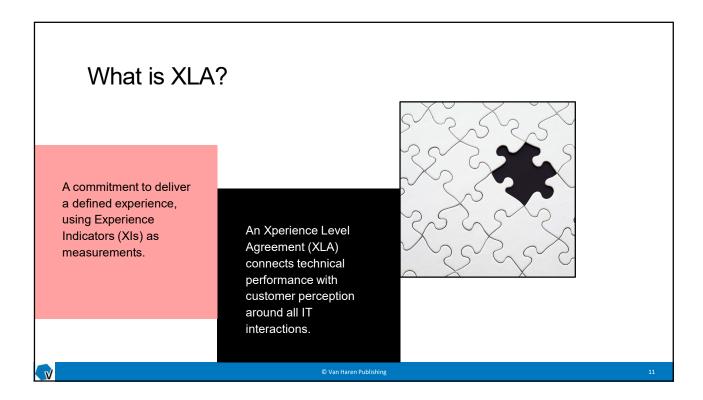
The ability to realize greater business impact by driving and improving collaboration and experience.

Experience Management is a data-driven approach that combines sentiment measurements (X-Data) and operational measurements (O-Data).

Experience Management is like a form of art. The more you do it, the better you get at it.

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#### SLAs are contracts, XLAs are commitments

#### SLA

A contract around technical services, with Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) as measurements and punishment as a driver.



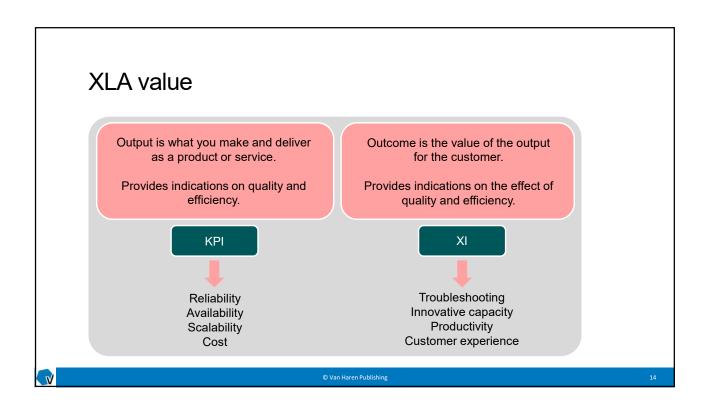


A commitment to realize a defined experience, with Experience Indicators (XIs) as measurements and reward as a driver.

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# The Magic Zone: connect SLA with XLA Objective monitoring Practical outputs Technology focused The Magic Zone Subjective measurements Valuable outcomes Human focused



## XLA question has multiple XI sub-questions

This is the structure we use for measuring experience

- ✓ XLA = The experience ambition
- √ XI = A customer need that contributes to the experience ambition

#### Example:

XLA = How happy are you with your new cell phone?

XI = What do you think of battery life?

XI = How happy are you with the charging time?

XI = How well is the screen readable when you are outside?

XIs are the sub-questions that together provide an indication of the desired experience.

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# Experience can differ per person and per customer

- ✓ Everyone has their own beliefs, norms, and values, so everyone experiences the world in their own way.
- IT products, services, and interactions can therefore be experienced in different ways, regardless of whether they perform well.
- Experience Management is about understanding people and the drivers of a good experience. Using personas, logical groups of people based on e.g., preferences, lifestyles, or roles in the organization, is highly suitable for this.
- ✓ Start defining the customer whose experience you want to influence. A paying customer? A co-worker? A colleague? A business partner?





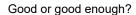
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### Experience is context dependent



- $\checkmark\,$  Experience is determined by context.
- ✓ A product, service, or interaction can be just good enough in some cases and can be experienced as excellent in other cases.
- ✓ Experience Management is about delivering experiences that are "good enough" within the given context.





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# Experience is context dependent



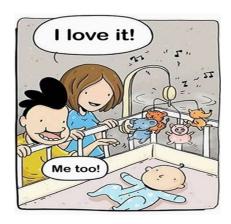
- ✓ Make sure your ambition is appropriate for your product, service, or interaction.
- ✓ An experience ambition is the minimum acceptable level of experience.

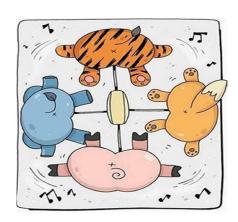
Good or excellent?

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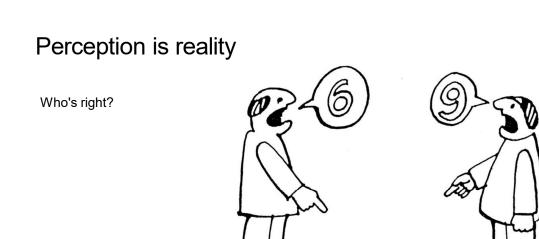
# Perspective determines experience





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# Experience is a feeling that arises over-time, it is cumulative

**Interaction in-time:** A contact moment between a product/service and the customer.

✓ Example: calling the service desk to report a malfunction.

**Experience over-time:** A collection of interactions of which parts are remembered, together these memories form an experience.

✓ Example: the overall experience with the service desk.

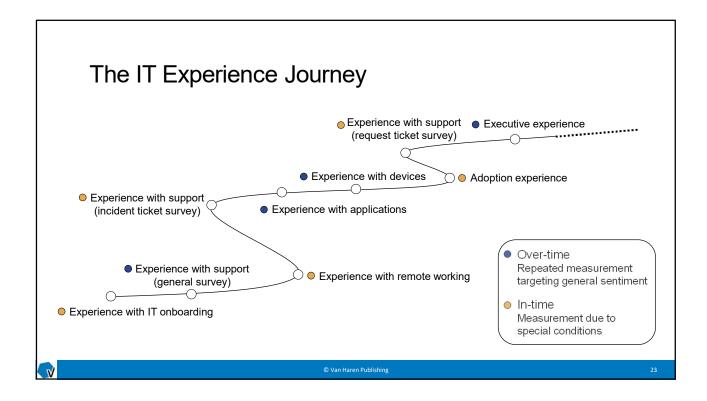
**Peak-End Rule:** People remember the most positive or negative moments ("peak") and the last moments of an experience ("end") better than other moments. If you want to improve the experience over-time, you have to make both "peak" and "end" positive in-time.

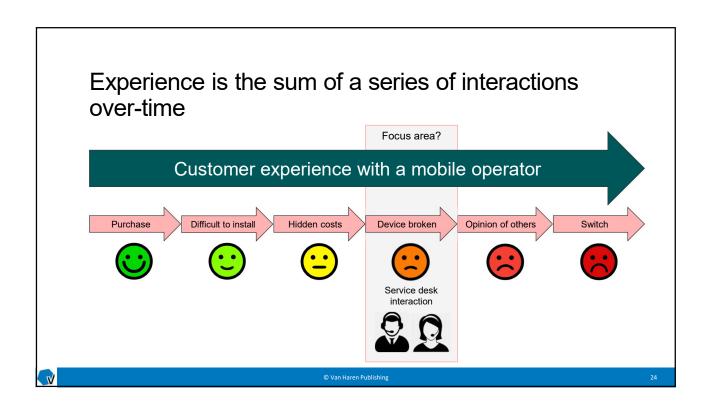
✓ Example: ice cream or hot dog after checkout at a furniture store.

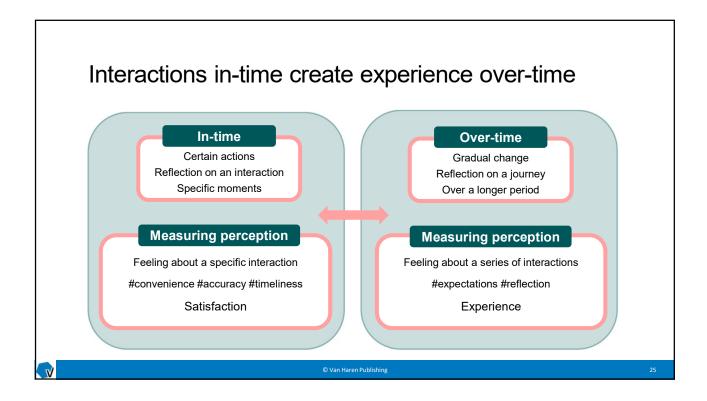


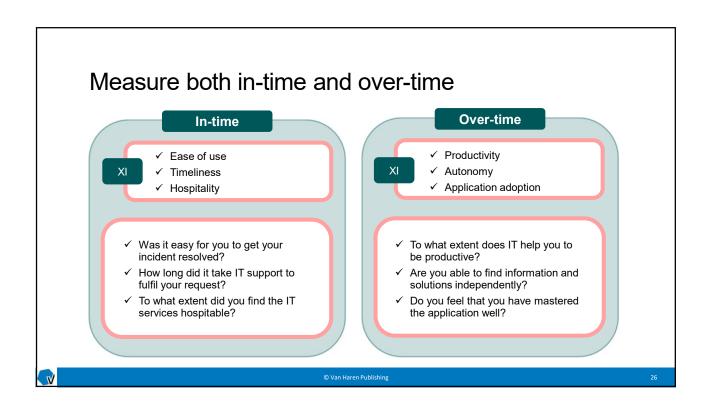
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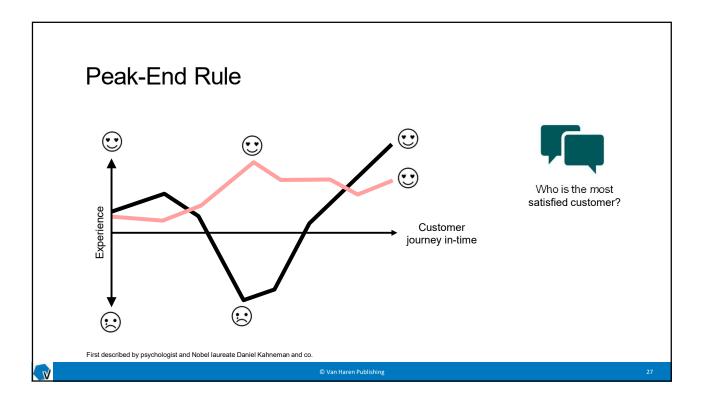
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### Traditional SLAs and KPIs

Examples of SLA KPIs:

- ✓ Telephone waiting time.
- ✓ Number of major incidents.
- ✓ Resolution time.
- ✓ Network bandwidth.

#### 'Value in Healthcare' from the World Economic Forum, 2017

✓ Only 2% of 1,958 globally known KPIs in healthcare are about what is important to the patient.



Source: WEF Insight Report Value Healthcare Laving Foundatio

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## SLAs are and will remain important

- ✓ They measure performance and operational data (O-Data).
- ✓ They describe what to do.
- ✓ They give an indication of how well something should be done.
- ✓ They are easy to measure.
- $\checkmark\,$  They are a guideline for contractual arrangements and performances.

But they don't drive experience (X-Data)



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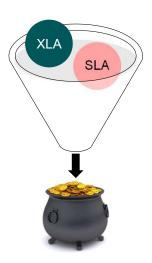
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# Welcome XLA... goodbye SLA?

# **Absolutely not!**

- ✓ An XLA never replaces an SLA.
- ✓ Both have a key function.

The revolutionary approach: combine strengths.



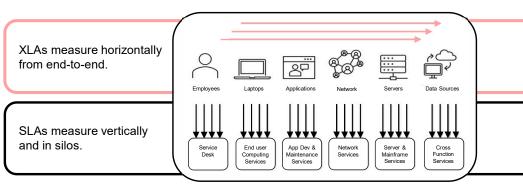
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#### XLA adds a new dimension to IT services

- √ How do employees experience our services?
- ✓ Are we doing what really matters to the company?
- ✓ What impact do we have?



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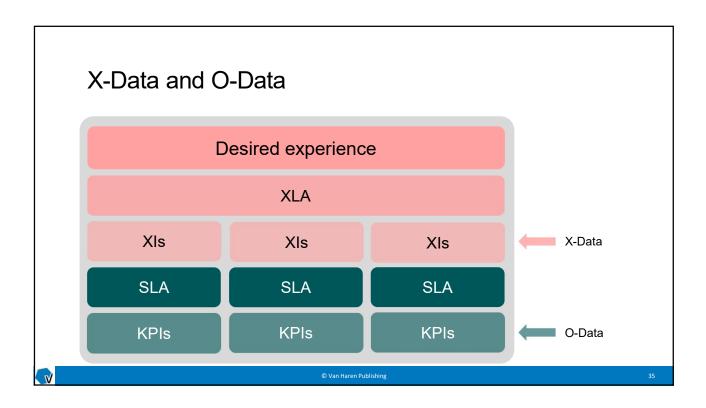


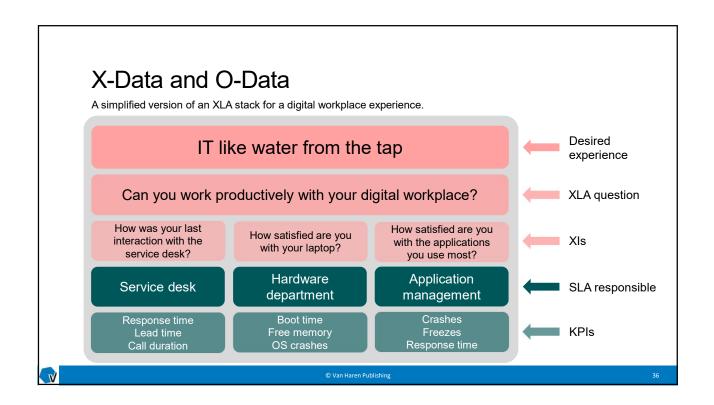
## The Experience Management game

Is Experience Management an infinite or a finite game?



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## Airport toilet case

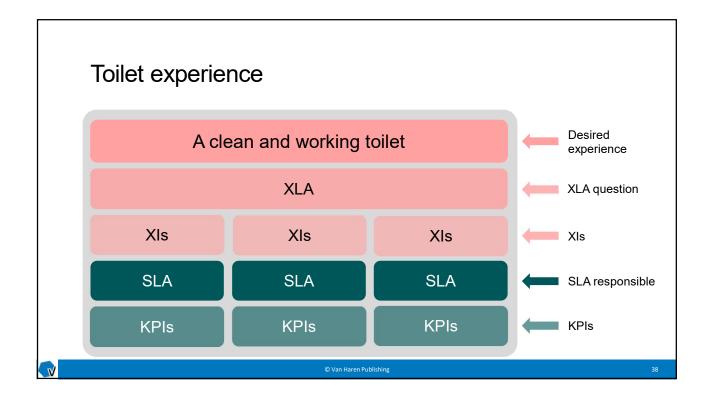
Schiphol airport receives complaints about their toilets, and they would like to improve the passenger experience. Which XLA would you recommend to Schiphol to measure and improve the experience?

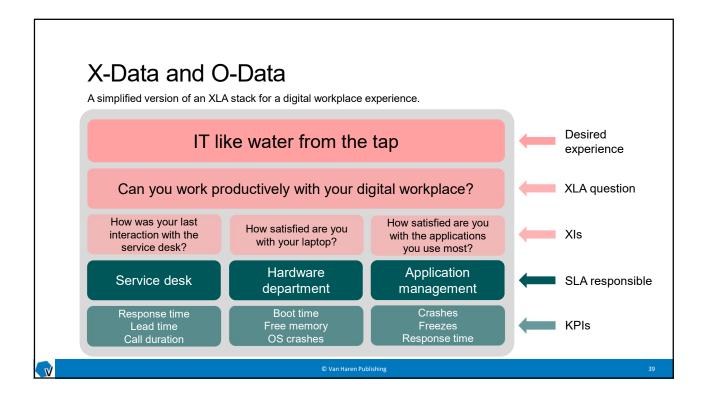
- ✓ What is important to achieve a positive toilet experience?
- ✓ Which XLA do you need for this?
- ✓ Which XIs are associated with them?
- ✓ Who is involved in delivering a positive toilet experience?
- ✓ Which KPIs do you use?

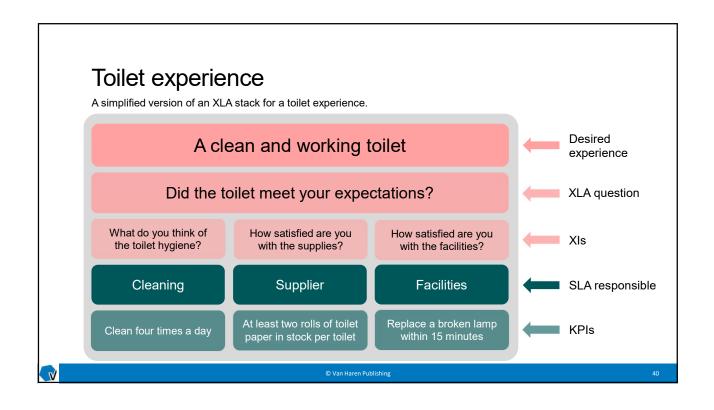




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# Why are Experience Management and XLA important?



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### Why is experience important?

- ✓ Experience shapes opinions, beliefs, and decisions.
- ✓ Experience drives behavior.
- ✓ Positive experiences make people happy.
- √ Happy employees and customers are beneficial to a company.

Note: Experience is the feeling someone has about a product, service, or interaction.



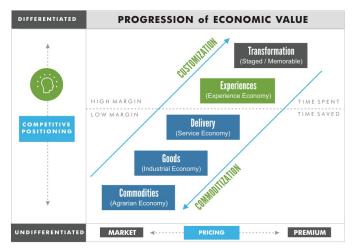
How does your organization measure experience?



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# Experience economy

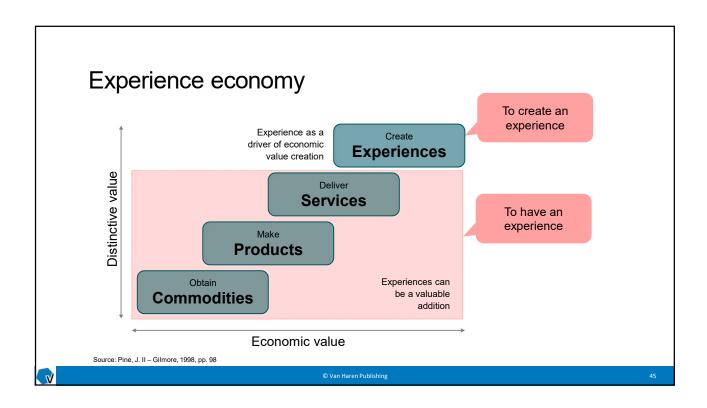
- ✓ In almost every sector, consumers prefer active participation over passive consumption.
- ✓ Consumers are more willing than ever to pay extra for a better customer experience.

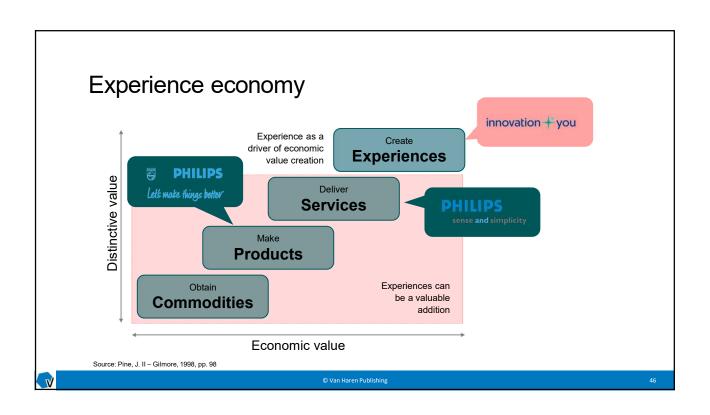


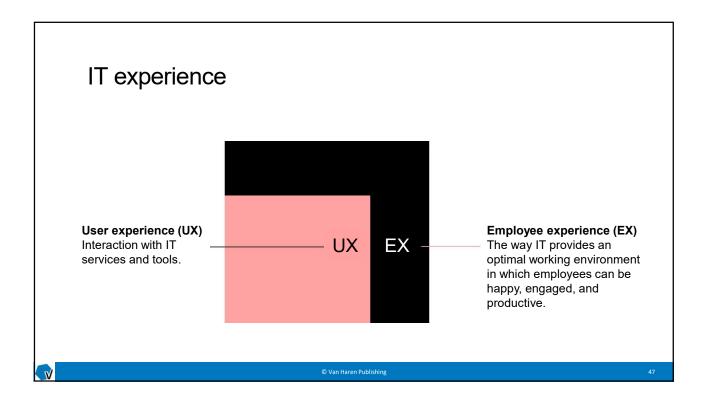
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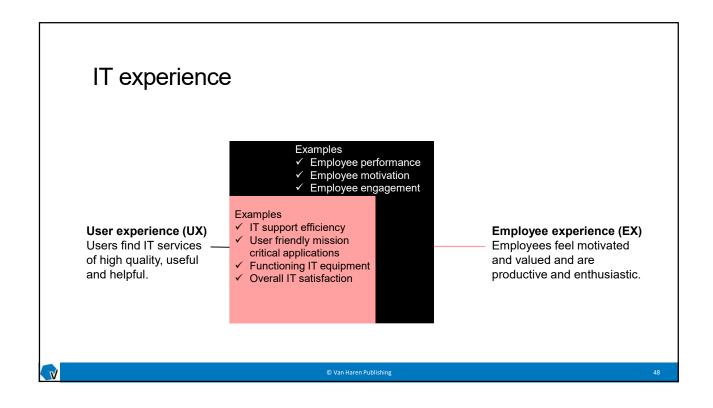
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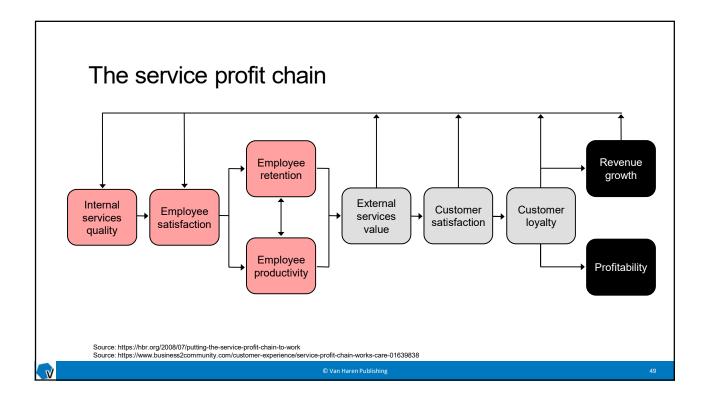












### Happy employee = happy customer

Globally, only 20% of employees feel truly committed to the cause of their organization.<sup>1</sup>

Happy, committed employees <sup>2</sup>

✓ Are more innovative: 59% of committed employees say their job brings forward creative ideas, versus 3% of uncommitted employees.

Happy, committed employees <sup>3</sup>

- ✓ Make real fans among customers (12% higher customer advocacy).
- ✓ Are 18% more productive.
- ✓ Ensure, on average, a 12% higher profit.

Source 1: Gallup; State of the global workplace, 2021
Source 2: Stewart; Do happy staff make for happy customers and profitable companies, 2010
Source 3: Gallup; Take Note, Engagement boosts earnings



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