



## Group Decision Tip

*E-mailed every two weeks to help groups make good decisions*

### Stories

**In principle**, all stories are true and some of them really happened. Stories are kernels of truth passed on in colorful ways that help us understand the truths they contain. Most of us relate to stories much better than we relate to facts and figures. It's not so important that a story really happened but how is the story like my story, like our story? What truth does the story contain about human experience, about our nature?

**Practical Tip:** Make time in your group for story telling; within meetings, before and after meetings, while sharing food. Read and hear stories of other like groups, other like people. Pass on stories that ring true for you.

It is by telling and hearing stories that we come to understanding. It is by understanding that we come to good group decisions.

PS - Like most principles in these Tips I didn't make this one up. I heard it somewhere, added a little color, and passed it on.

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