JOB METHODS

SESSIONS OUTLINE

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As a War Production Trainer

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Job Methods

A TRAINING WITHIN INDUSTRY PROGRAM

A plan to help the supervisor produce greater quantities of quality products in less time by making the best use of the manpower, machines, and materials that are now available.

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The Training Within Industry program of Job Methods was developed in order to provide management with a tool whereby supervisors could acquire skill in improving methods.

The outlines for the five 2-hour sessions for a group of ten supervisors, a guide for the trainer, and the various forms used in the group are bound in the following section.
WAR MANPOWER COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

September 1943.

TO THE WAR PRODUCTION TRAINER:

As you help war production supervisors use this JOB METHODS program, you have a rare opportunity to serve the Nation in this emergency.

You also have a major obligation to the Nation, as well as to each supervisor.

The situation is a very practical one. Most of the men with whom you will work have had years of experience. They have latent ideas which, if properly developed, will increase production, reduce lost time, prevent waste of material, and increase the use of machinery and equipment. These men command your respect because of their knowledge.

Your function is to show them how to fully develop their ideas for practical use and present them successfully to their Managements. You have two jobs to do: One is to help the supervisor to acquire skill in the use of this "precision tool" for improving job methods; the other is to improve your own ability in training supervisors how to use it effectively.

You should strive with all the energy and diligence you possess to lead each group in the very best possible way—and to do a still better job with each succeeding group.

To assure a uniformly high standard, you should ALWAYS work from this outline. Never deviate from it. Don't trust to your memory, regardless of how many times you may present the plan. It is not difficult and if you follow instructions you can't fail. Furthermore, you will find it a fascinating job.

Once again, leadership in this Jobs Methods Program presents a personal opportunity and an obligation.

Sincerely,

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Director,
Training Within Industry.
SKILL IN IMPROVING JOB METHODS MEETS ONE OF THE SUPERVISOR'S FIVE NEEDS

1. **Knowledge of the Work.**—Materials, machines, tools, processes, operations, products, and how they are made and used.

2. **Knowledge of Responsibilities.**—Policies, agreements, rules, regulations, schedules, inter-departmental relationships.

   These two knowledge needs must be met currently and locally by each plant or company.

   Such knowledge must be provided if each supervisor is to know his job and is to have a clear understanding of his authority and responsibilities as a part of management.

3. **Skill in Instructing.**—Shortening training time by breaking down each job into units easily learned, making the learner receptive, presenting the instruction, trying out his performance, following up for results.

4. **Skill in Improving Methods.**—Utilizing materials, machines, and manpower more effectively by having supervisors study each operation in order to eliminate, combine, rearrange, and simplify details of the job.

5. **Skill in Leading.**—Increasing production by helping supervisors to improve their understanding of individuals, their ability to size up situations, and their ways of working with people.

   These three skills must be acquired individually. Practice and experience in using them enable both new and experienced supervisors to recognize and solve daily problems promptly.

   Training Within Industry Service assists companies in giving their supervisors a start in acquiring these skills through three 10-hour programs: Job Instruction, Job Methods, Job Relations.

   These skills, acquired through this training, must become a part of day-to-day OPERATIONS. In no other way can production be so quickly influenced and manpower conserved.

   Confidence and resourcefulness in how to proceed, not standardized solutions and rules, are developed. These enable supervisors to get good teamwork, to give better service, and to get out more production.

MORE PRODUCTION THROUGH SKILLED SUPERVISION!
SESSIONS OUTLINE

FOR THE

FIVE TWO-HOUR SESSIONS

Paragraphs in quotation marks are to be presented either by using the exact words of the text or expressing the exact meaning in the Trainer's own words. In case of the latter, special care should be taken to convey the exact meaning every time.

Wherever the expression "(some discussion)" appears, there should be brief discussion to make the point clear or to reach agreement with the group.

Words in bold face are key words which provide the Trainer with a quick clue to the statement made in the sentence.
BEFORE YOU BEGIN SESSION I

BE SURE YOU HAVE THESE MATERIALS

1 Attendance Record 14 JM Instruction Cards
1 Suggested Introduction 14 Present Method Break-Downs
14 Present Method Layouts 14 Proposed Method Break-Downs
14 Proposed Method Layouts 28 Blank Break-down Sheets

Demonstration Kit consisting of:
1 Fixture 1 Stamp Pad
2 Jigs 250 Brass Cards
2 Staplers 250 Copper Cards
1 "TOP" Stamp

BE AT THE PLANT 30 MINUTES BEFORE SESSION IS DUE TO OPEN

See the Plant Executive. Make certain he is prepared to open the meeting with a suitable introduction. Give him a copy of the SUGGESTED INTRODUCTION if he has not already received one.

BE AT THE MEETING ROOM 15 MINUTES AHEAD OF TIME

Arrange CHAIRS around the conference TABLE. If there is no table, place chairs in the shape of a "U."

Put a FINISHED SHIELD on the table, also ONE COPPER SHEET and ONE BRASS SHEET.

Place TWO CHAIRS, to be used as SUPPLY BOXES, SIX FEET BACK of the table.

Put a supply of COPPER SHEETS on one chair, and of BRASS SHEETS on the other.

Place TWO waste-paper BASKETS to the RIGHT of the table (to serve as SCRAP BINS).

Put one STAPLER, the STAMP PAD, and STAMP on the table.

Place a waste-paper BASKET to the LEFT of the table (to serve as a TOTE BOX).

Put the extra STAPLER, the JIGS and FIXTURE, out of sight of the Group.

Place SAMPLE HAND-OUT SHEETS and INSTRUCTION CARDS on the table.

WORK FROM THE OUTLINE—DON'T TRUST TO MEMORY
OUTLINE FOR SESSION I

1. INTRODUCTION BY THE PLANT EXECUTIVE

Suggested introduction

- Program name and purpose.
- Need for Job Methods in this company.
- Pledge of cooperation and support.
- Schedule of Sessions II, III, IV and V.
- Introduction of the trainer.

2. INTRODUCTION BY THE TRAINER

Establish an informal atmosphere

- Write your name on the blackboard and state your industrial connection.
- Use name cards if practicable. Have members put names of their departments on cards.
- Have each member say a word about his job.
- "This is an informal conference, similar to Job Instruction Training Sessions. Ask questions at any time. No notes are necessary."
- Cover the "five needs" of every supervisor. (Not over 3 minutes.)

"What is our purpose?"

- "I'm not here to tell you how to run your jobs or to discuss the technical part of your work. We will discuss one problem common to all of us: How to improve Job Methods."
TIME
TABLE

- “This Job Methods program will help you produce greater quantities of quality products in less time by making the best use of the manpower, machines, and materials now available.”

- “This program will not make people work harder, or in a hurry, as you will see as the program unfolds.”

- “We all realize that the responsibility for production is assigned to us as supervisors.”

- “We must increase production in spite of acute shortages of manpower, machines, and materials.”

“Why do we need increased production?”

- “This is the critical year of the war.”

- “Today, thousands are risking their lives—tomorrow, thousands more will face the same risk.”

- “Best quality fighting equipment and in huge quantities will help win this war.”

- “Your complete cooperation and support of this program will help to meet the crisis.”

3. JOB METHODS IMPROVEMENT IS NOT A NEW PROBLEM

“Where is the best source of ideas for giving us this necessary increased production now?”

- “It is the supervisor, the person who knows more about the jobs under him than anyone else.” (Some discussion.)

- “Everyone in this group no doubt has some ideas on how to improve methods.”

- “Perhaps we have never fully developed them all.”
“Job methods improvement has always been a regular part of every supervisor’s job”

- “Most of the progress we enjoy today is the result of improvements in production methods.”

- Cite examples of improvements on: Automobiles, Radios, Planes. Get members to compare old and new models.

- “These results have been accomplished by improvements developed and applied by practical supervisors like ourselves.”

- “Ordinarily these improvements are made slowly.”

- “But our fighting forces can’t wait. They need them today! Time is short!”

“The purpose of this plan is to make it easier for us to improve our job methods”

- “It will provide a practical plan to help us.”

- “This plan has been tried and proved in hundreds of war production plants.”

- “It was developed by practical industrial men.”

- “We’ll discuss the plan and see how it can be used on our jobs right now.”

- “During the next four sessions each of us will have a chance to use the plan on jobs in our departments.”

- “A certificate from the War Manpower Commission will be given to each member who presents an improvement—attends all five sessions and pledges to use the plan.”

- “I have used this plan on my own jobs and know how well it works.”
4. DESCRIBE THE USE OF THE DEMONSTRATION JOB

"This plan can be best demonstrated by showing how it was applied to an actual job." See p. 71

- "The job is from a war plant—not this plant."

- "Observe this job in terms of any job in your own department."

- "The same kinds of improvements made on this job can be made on any job which includes one or more of three basic types of work."

- Ask members of the group to name the different types of work done in their Departments. See p. 78

Blackboard

1. Material Handling
2. Machine Work
3. Hand Work

- "The demonstration job includes material handling, machine work, and hand work. These are the features to be compared to your jobs—not this product, nor this operation."

- "Let's be sure none of us thinks this plan doesn't apply to our work, just because we don't make this particular product."

- Note: Discuss and stress until thoroughly understood.

Describe the job

- Product: Radio Shields. (Show sample.)
### FOR IMPROVING JOB METHODS

#### TIME TABLE

- **Materials:** Copper and Brass Sheets, 5" x 8" x ¾".
  
  (Explain use of cardboard. Show sample)

- **Operations:** Inspect, Assemble, Rivet, Stamp, and Pack. (Explain use of stapler in place of Riveting Machine. Show stapler, stamp and pad)

- **Operators:** 4 men at 4 benches.

- **Work place:** Supply, Scrap, and Tote Boxes.

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5. **DEMONSTRATE THE PRESENT METHOD**

Follow present method layout and present method break-down exactly

- Do the job at a good pace.
  
  Tell them what you are doing.

- Get, inspect and lay out 12 copper sheets.

- Get, inspect and lay out 12 brass sheets.

- Stack sets of sheets to the right of Riveter.

- Rivet each Set. (Do at least 3)

- Stamp each Shield. Pile Shields on Table.

- Place 12 Shields in tote box.

- Carry 75-lb tote box 50 feet to the scale.

- Weigh and make out ticket.

- Handler takes tote box 100 feet to Packing Dept.

- Packer unloads box, puts 200 Shields in case.

- Packer closes, stencils, and weighs case.

- Empty tote boxes returned by Handler.
TRAINING WITHIN INDUSTRY PLAN

HAND OUT PRESENT METHOD LAYOUT

- Point out flow of material and bench arrangement.

Discuss the 3 types of work on the demonstration job

- Material handling—“Carrying Boxes.” (some discussion)
- Machine work—“Riveting.” (some discussion)
- Hand work—“Laying out, Lining up, Stamping.” (some discussion)

6. DEMONSTRATE THE PROPOSED METHOD

A better way of doing this job

- “Let’s look at a better method of doing this job. It was worked out by the foreman with the help of an operator—after they applied the Job Methods plan.”
- “Consider this improvement in terms of any job in your department.”
- “First we will see what they did, and then develop how they did it.”

Set up the proposed method and explain the changes

- “The sheets were delivered onto the bench.”
- Explain and show Riveting fixture and guides.
- Describe and show jigs for sheets.
- “Less experienced operators were used with the new method. More experienced, stronger men were upgraded.”
- Explain slots for scrap.
- “Cases were placed at the bench by the handler.”
Perform the proposed method

- Follow proposed method layout and proposed method job break-down exactly.
- Place sheets in jigs.
- Pick up sheets and inspect.
- Assemble and place in fixture.
- Rivet bottom—then rivet top. (Do at least 3)
- Place Shields in front of fixture.
- Place 20 Shields in case. (Explain count)
- Handler takes Cases to the Packing Department.
- Packer closes, weighs, and stencils the Cases.

HAND OUT PROPOSED METHOD LAYOUT

- Point out flow of material and Bench Arrangement.
- Compare with present method layout.

7. RESULTS OF THIS JOB METHODS IMPROVEMENT

Question the Members for Their Estimate of the Improvement in the use of Manpower, Machines, and Material.

- As to Production?—“Each Operator Produced Three Times as Many Shields Per Day.” (some discussion)

- As to Machine Use?—“Each Machine Riveted 50 percent More Shields Per Day.” (some discussion)

- As to Scrap?—“Scrap Material was Reduced from 15 percent to less than 2 percent, due to less handling of sheets.” (some discussion)
"Improvements were made by making better use of manpower, machines, and materials."

"The operator did not have to work harder or in a hurry on this proposed method"

"Doing jobs in a hurry results in bad work."

Act out a "speed-up" of the present method to prove the above point. Actually hurry!

"This would create waste: the very thing we are trying to eliminate."

"Absolutely not one worker should be speeded up in any application of the Job Methods plan!"

"Improved job methods give good work—because production is increased by eliminating unnecessary parts of the job—and making the necessary parts easier and safer to do."

"The principles used in the demonstration apply to all jobs that include material handling, machine work, or hand work"

"This demonstration job is only a sample job."

"Hundreds of other jobs in the same plant were improved in the same way."

"Let's see how the Job Methods plan was used by this foreman in making this improvement."

"Also let's see how this plan will help us make many improvements on our jobs."

"The details of this plan are printed on this pocket-sized instruction card."

HAND OUT INSTRUCTION CARDS—1 to each member

NOTE.—Clean up the table.
8. PRESENT THE JOB METHODS PLAN

Present the 4-step plan from the instruction card

- Read the purpose.
- Read only the 4 main steps.
- **Note.**—Keep the card in your hand from now on.
- “These 4 steps are all that were used by the foreman in improving this sample job.”
- “Let’s apply the 4 steps to the sample job to see how the foreman used this plan.”
- “Also to find out how we can apply the plan to our jobs.”
- **Note.**—Erase blackboard.

9. STEP I: BREAK DOWN THE JOB

Read entire STEP I

**BLACKBOARD**

**STEP I.—BREAK DOWN The Job**

List **ALL** Details

“A job break-down is the starting point for all job methods improvements”

- “Listing all details gives a complete record and accurate picture of how the job is done.”
- “It indicates the NEED for improvements.”
- “It brings out many details about the job we never realized were there.”
TIME
TABLE

- "A detailed break-down gives us the facts."

- Cite personal examples of familiar details difficult to remember: Buttons—pockets—steps on porches—windows in rooms—etc.

- "The more detailed and accurate the breakdown, the more complete the improvements will be."

- "Let's define a detail—'Every single thing that is done, every inspection, every delay.'"

- Develop the first five details of the demonstration job on the blackboard quickly and accurately.

  Blackboard

  1. Walk to box of Copper Sheets
  2. Pick up 15 to 20 Copper Sheets
  3. Walk to bench
  4. Inspect and lay out 12 sheets
  5. Walk to box and replace extra sheets

- Point out how easily and quickly these five details were listed.

- "Here is a copy of the complete break-down for this job as made by the foreman."

HAND OUT THE PRESENT METHOD BREAK-DOWN

- Compare first five details on break-down with those on blackboard.

- Discuss the details.

- "The little time you spend listing details often uncovers BIG improvements."

- Explain items at top of break-down sheet.
- Explain use of **notes column** as a reminder of Distances, Tolerances, Waste, Safety, etc.

- Explain the **difference between** the break-downs for **Job Instruction** and those for **Job Methods**.

- "**In Job Instruction**, only the important steps are listed. **A step may include several details.**"

- "Because, when instructing, many steps are obvious and need not be listed."

- "**In Job Methods**, on the other hand, **ALL details must be listed.**"

- "Because **nothing** can be **omitted when studying the method** of production."

"A break-down is an easy, common-sense way to get all the facts about any job method quickly and accurately"

- "The best place to make a break-down is on the job; not from memory."

- "**Let the operators know what** you are doing and **why** you are doing it."

- "Show him the break-down; let him help you make it; tell him about these meetings; show him the card; do whatever is appropriate; be frank and open."

- "We have seen how **easy** it was to make a break-down for the demonstration job."

- "How many of us can make a break-down of a job in our own department by listing all details the way Bill Brown did?"

  - Ask for a show of hands.

- "**Now we will find out how a job break-down is used in applying STEP II.**"

- **Note.**—Erase the 5 details ONLY.
10. STEP II: QUESTION EVERY DETAIL

Read Item 1 of STEP II

- "The success of any improvement depends on our ability to develop a questioning attitude."

- "We must question everything that is done; every single detail of the job."

- "These six very important questions taught us practically all we know."
  
  - "Young people ask questions to get knowledge. Many of us stop questioning things too soon."

- "We must deliberately question all the details of the job we want to improve."

- "The answers to these questions will give the information we need to make improvements."

- Ask Group members to read you the questions.

  Add on blackboard

  | STEP II   |
  | QUESTION  |
  | Why?     |
  | What?    |
  | Where?   |
  | When?    |
  | Who?     |
  | How?     |
  
- "These questions are asked in definite order."
  (some discussion)

- "Asking 'How' before 'Why' and 'What' would waste time if the detail was found unnecessary."
"ALL questions should be asked of each detail before proceeding to the next detail."

"Let's examine each of the six questions."

"First. -- WHY is it necessary?"

"We ask this question first for each detail."

"We want to distinguish necessary details from those that are unnecessary or doubtful."

"This is a most important question."

"It provides the information that leads to big improvements if we find many unnecessary details."

"It is often the hardest to get answered properly."

"Therefore we have a check question to make sure we get sound and reasonable answers."

"Second. -- WHAT is its purpose?"

"We want to find out if the detail has a useful purpose or adds quality to the product."

"If not, we will reconsider its necessity."

"'What is its purpose?' is a check question on 'Why is it necessary?'"

"Beware of taking action on flash ideas for improvements"

"As we get definite answers to these questions, flash ideas for improvements will come to our minds rapidly."

"Hold these ideas, but note the answers on the Break-down Sheet."
“Don’t decide on anything yet. Keep on questioning. A better and more complete idea usually develops.”

“If the detail is necessary—Continue with the other four questions.”

“Third.—WHERE should it be done?”

“We ask this question to find the best PLACE to do each detail.”

“In which department? In which section? On which machine, bench, or equipment?”

“Fourth.—WHEN should it be done?”

“We ask this question to find the best TIME to do each detail.”

“Should the detail be done first or last? In what order? Must it be done before or after some other details?”

“When will the necessary men, machines, materials, equipment, or tools be available?”

“Fifth.—WHO is best qualified to do it?”

“We ask this question to find the best PERSON to do each detail.”

“Who is best for the job from the standpoint of skill? Experience? Physical strength?”

“Sixth.—HOW is ‘the best way’ to do it?”

“We ask this of every necessary detail only after we have asked Where? When? and Who?”

“We want to find out if there is a BETTER WAY to do each detail.”
"Usually there is a better way, but to find it we must first question the 'how?' of the necessary details."

Read Item 2 of STEP II and comment as follows:

- "These are very important factors in any job."
- "Each item should be questioned the same as the details in the Job Break-down."
- Cite an example, if appropriate, as you discuss any of the following:
  - "Materials, machines, equipment, and tools are often scarce and hard to get."
  - "A small change in design may make possible a big Job Methods improvement."
  - "An improvement in the layout of the area or the workplace may save floor or bench space."
  - "Poor safety and poor housekeeping can cause waste of lives, time, and space."

"Now, let's see how Bill Brown used these questions on the details of his job"

- Ask the Group to follow the present method breakdown.
- "Bill Brown got these answers to his questions."
- "Whenever he got a good 'clue,' he wrote it down in the notes column."

**DETAIL No. 1.—WALKING.**

- Why? ______ Not necessary if sheets can be moved nearer to bench.
- What? ______  
  (Write in notes column: "No, if sheets nearer bench.")
- DETAIL No. 2.—PICK UP COPPER SHEETS.

  Why? ....... Necessary to assemble the shield.
  
  What? ....... Necessary to assemble the shield.
  
  Where? ...... Close to riveter.
  (Write: "Close to Riveter")
  
  When? ...... Any time before assembly.
  
  Who? ...... Riveting operator.
  
  How? ...... Must be a better way.
  (Write: "Better way")

- DETAIL No. 3.—WALK TO BENCH.

  Why? ...... Unnecessary to walk over; unnecessary to walk back.
  (Write: "Same as #1")

- DETAIL No. 4.—INSPECT AND LAY OUT COPPER SHEETS.

  INSPECTION (4a)

  Why? ....... Necessary to maintain quality.
  
  What? ....... Necessary to maintain quality.
  
  Where? ...... At the riveting bench.
  
  When? ...... Just before assembly.
  (Write: "Just before assembly")
  
  Who? ...... Riveting operator.
  
  How? ...... Look for a better way.
  (Write: "Better way")
LAYOUT (4b)

- Why? Not necessary, adds no quality to the product if the sheets are moved close to bench.
  (Write: "No, if sheets nearer the bench")

- DETAIL No. 5.—WALK TO BOX AND REPLACE EXTRA SHEETS.
  - Why? If no need to walk to box to get sheets, no need to walk to replace.
    (Write: "Same as #1")

- DETAIL No. 6.—WALK TO BOX OF BRASS SHEETS.
  - Why? If no need to walk for copper sheets, why walk for brass sheets?
    (Write: "Same as #1")

- DETAIL No. 7.—PICK UP BRASS SHEETS.
  - Why? Same as with Copper sheets.
    (Write: "Same as #2")

- DETAIL No. 8.—WALK TO BENCH.
    (Write: "Same as #1")

- DETAIL No. 9.—INSPECT AND LAY OUT.
  - Why? Same as with Copper sheets.
    (Write: "Same as #4")

- DETAIL No. 10.—WALK TO BOX AND REPLACE EXTRA SHEETS.
    (Write: "Same as #1")

- DETAIL No. 11.—WALK TO BENCH.
    (Write: "Same as #1")
- DETAIL No. 12.—STACK 12 SETS. (CRISS CROSS)

- Why? ........ Not necessary if layout is not necessary. (Write: "No, if no layout")

DETAILS No. 13 to No. 20 Inclusive.—RIVETING.

- "Bill questioned Details 13 to 20 in exactly the same way. He questioned each detail separately."

- "To conserve time in this meeting, let's just look at the information he noted."

- "On each detail, Bill felt there must be a "better way." (Write: "Better Way" after each)

- DETAIL No. 21—STAMPING.


What? ........ Doubtful—Could find no good reason for this detail. Let's find out why? (Write: "Find out")

- DETAILS No. 22 to No. 30 inclusive.—Were questioned by Bill Brown in the same way.

- "He QUESTIONED the necessity of CARRYING AND WEIGHING the tote boxes."

- "And he found that COUNTING and PACKING could be done ANYTIME and ANYWHERE AFTER riveting."
11. STEP III: DEVELOP THE NEW METHOD

Read TITLES of Items 1, 2, 3, 4 of STEP III

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— "Answers to the questions asked in STEP II lead to developing a New Method in STEP III."

— "We can increase production only when details are eliminated, combined, rearranged, or simplified."

— "Notice the order of the first four items—To ‘eliminate’ after ‘simplifying’ would waste time."

"Item 1.—ELIMINATE unnecessary details."

— "The answers to Why? and What? lead us to eliminate unnecessary details."

— "We eliminate details to avoid unnecessary use of Manpower, Machines, and Materials."
“Let’s see how Bill Brown eliminated unnecessary details”

- Have group check or cross off each detail on the Present Method Breakdown as it is eliminated.

- “From his notes, Bill decided that details No. 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 11 (Walking) would be unnecessary if the sheets could be delivered nearer the bench.”

- “Bill found room on the bench for the supply boxes. He found it was no extra work for the handler. So he eliminated all of these details.”

- “The details No. 4b, 9b and 12 (Laying out and Stacking) added no quality if sheets were moved to bench—so he eliminated them.”

- “Detail No. 21 was found to be unnecessary, therefore it was eliminated.”—EXPLAIN STAMPING STORY.

- “Details No. 23 and 24 (Carrying and Weighing) served no useful purpose since Shields were sold by count. So these details were eliminated.”

"Item 2.—Combine details when practical."

- “The necessary details should be combined whenever it is practical and possible.”
"The answers to Where? When? and Who? are leads for combining necessary details."

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"Possibilities for combining details are often discovered by finding the best place, best time, and best person to do each detail."

"Details are combined to reduce inspections and handlings between operations."

"Let's see how Bill Brown combined some of the necessary details on the demonstration job."

"He had asked of details Nos. 22, 26, 27 Where? and When? should the shields be packed and by Whom?"

"He decided to bring the cases to the bench and pack them there. Therefore the three details were combined."

"Item 3.—REARRANGE details for better sequence."

"If necessary details can't be combined, they may be rearranged for better sequence or order."

"We rearrange details to reduce handlings and back-tracking."

"The answers to Where? When? and Who? also give leads for rearranging necessary details."
“Rearranging the order of details often saves unnecessary moving of parts and avoids unnecessary picking up and putting down details.”

“Let’s see how Bill Brown rearranged some of the necessary details on the demonstration job”

“Because he had changed the location of the supply boxes, he had to rearrange the details of picking up the Copper and Brass sheets.” (Nos. 2 and 7)

“Since he no longer laid out the sheets, he had to rearrange the inspection details.” (Nos. 4a and 9a)

“It was not necessary to carry boxes to the scale, and the cases were packed at the bench. So he rearranged the delivery of cases to the Packing Department.” (No. 25)

“Item 4.—SIMPLIFY all necessary details.”

“We ‘simplify’ to make the necessary details safer and easier to do.”

“The answers to How? give us leads for simplifying necessary details.”
Read and explain the principles under Item 4.

- Pre-position—"To put into the best position for materials, tools, etc. easiest pick up, ahead of time. In racks or holders."
  . . . Pen Desk Set.
  . . . Tools in rack.

- Proper work—"Convenient reaching area."
  area . . . Varies with arm length.

- Gravity feed—"Using gravity to bring parts to the best place in the work area."
  . . . Kitchen match dispenser.
  . . . Magazine-feed furnace.

- Drop delivery—"Disposing of a part or piece by dropping it through a chute to a container."
  . . . Mail Chute.
  . . . Coal Chute.

- Both hands—"Letting the two hands do useful work."
  . . . Typewriter . . . Linotype.
  . . . Simultaneous hand assembly.

- Jigs—"Movable mechanical holding devices."
- **Fixtures**—"*Fixed* mechanical holding devices usually used in connection with a machine."
  . . . Tool Rest . . . Holder.

"Let's see how Bill Brown applied these principles to simplify the details noted—'Better Way'." See pp. 76 and 77

- Show how the proposed methods and work-place were developed from the card by Bill Brown and the operator.

- Start with the **sheets on the bench**—**one riveter**, and **cases** beside the operator.

- **Demonstrate** all changes as you describe them. (From the card)

- "The sheets were **pre-positioned** in the proper work area."

- "**Jigs** were designed to **hold** the **sheets**."

- "**An angle arm** was added to make the work easier."

- "Now both hands could do useful work in picking up the sheets."
  - "But it was still necessary to **line up** the sheets by hand—and to use one hand for holding."

- "**A fixture** was designed to **position** two riveters."
  - "**Guides** were added to **line up** the **sheets**."

- "**Now both hands** could be used for riveting."

- "**Slots** were cut in the **bench and scrap boxes** were placed **under the bench**."
  - So scrap could be discarded by **drop delivery**.
"Thickness of the fixture was made so a pile of 20 completed shields was flush with the top."

"Cases for finished shields were pre-positioned within easy reach."

"Gravity feed—only principle not used."

"The principles on the card were used—and only these principles."

NOTE.—The group may offer ideas for further improvements

- They may suggest: Foot operated riveters . . . 4 riveters in one Fixture . . . A bar over 2 Riveters . . . Possibly a woman can do the job.

- Compliment the members for doing the right kind of thinking—you know they will apply it to their jobs.

Review how STEP II and STEP III are used in order to insure a complete improvement.

- "The answers to Why? and What? identify unnecessary details to be eliminated."

- "The answers to Where?, When?, and Who? give leads for combining and rearranging."

- "The answers to How? supply leads for developing ‘the one best way’ today by simplifying."

"Item 5.—Work out your idea with others"

- "We can often get VALUABLE IDEAS from the ‘BOSS.’"

- "He is the one who knows what changes will take place and where more production is necessary."

- "He can give us practical leads."
"We can get help from fellow supervisors."
(some discussion)

"Our operators can help us. Working out an idea with an operator is especially important."
(some discussion)

"Remember how Bill Brown 'worked with' one of his operators."

"Operators have good ideas too; often just as many as we have—sometimes more!"

"Don't work out an idea and spring it on an operator. None of us would like that. Neither would the operator."

"When he helps work out an idea he gets real satisfaction."

"An interested and satisfied worker is just as important as the idea itself."

"Usually everyone is glad to help if we ask him."

"Item 6.—Write up your proposed new method"

"Many ideas 'die' before they are put into effect or are written down."

"Write up exactly what your new method will do and how it can be done."

"A written proposal is a complete summary of your proposed improvement."

"We will discuss how to write up a proposal in detail, during Session II."

"After we have made a job break-down—questioned every detail—and developed the New Method—we are prepared to put it to work."
12. STEP IV: APPLY THE NEW METHOD

Read entire STEP IV

Blackboard—Add

Step IV—APPLY The New Method

- “Improvements are of no value unless put to work.”

- “Using STEP IV insures the success of improvements.”

- “Lack of STEP IV, in the past, has prevented many good improvements from being put to work.”

“Item 1.—SELL your proposal to the BOSS”

Blackboard—Add

Step IV.—APPLY The New Method

Sell—

- “To get his approval for a trial.”

- “Give him a short, complete story—facts only—in your written proposal.”

- “Use break-down sheets, samples, sketches.”

- “Put it up to the boss at the appropriate time—Watch your timing!”

HAND OUT PROPOSED METHOD BREAK-DOWN

- Compare with present method break-down. Show how they can be used as a selling story.

- “Also use written proposals to explain what this improvement will do and how it can be done!”
- "List production increases and better uses of Manpower, Machines, Material, Space, Equipment—also quality and safety improvements."

"Item 2.—SELL the new method to the OPERATORS"

- "So it will get a fair test."
- "Perhaps only one helped develop it, but several will have to use it."
- "Instruct Operators in new methods carefully. Use the Job Instruction plan."
- "Get the operators' cooperation and ideas on all improvements." (some discussion)

"Item 3.—Get FINAL APPROVAL of all concerned on SAFETY, QUALITY, QUANTITY, COST"

Blackboard—Add

Step IV—APPLY The New Method

Sell—Approvals—

- "Getting approvals will prevent trouble."
- "Get approval of immediate supervisor on all factors."
- "Where necessary, get approval for:"
  - "Safety—Safety Engineers and Operators."
  - "Quality—Inspectors and Laboratory."
  - "Quantity—Production and Planning Depts."
  - "Cost—Cost Department."
- "Follow regular organization lines."
"Item 4.—PUT the new method TO WORK—use it until a better WAY is developed"

Blackboard—Add

Step IV.—APPLY The New Method
Sell—Approvals—Use—

- "Avoid waiting, get action as quickly as possible. Waiting ‘kills’ more ideas than lack of brains.”
  (some discussion)

- "Right now is the time when we need every practical improvement working for us.”

- "Check to be sure the operators don’t slip back to the old, more familiar method.”

- "Remember there will always be a better way. Keep searching for further improvements.”

"Item 5.—Give CREDIT where credit is due"

Blackboard—Add

Step IV.—APPLY The New Method
Sell—Approvals—Use—Credit

- "One stolen idea will stop all others.”

- "Stopping ideas is sabotage.”

- "We want to be sure we give proper credit and show sincere appreciation.”

- "Ask the boss to say a word of apprec’ation to the person who made or helped with the improvement.”

- 'The more credit we give the more ideas we get.’
13. SELL THE USE OF THE JOB METHODS PLAN

Review the 4-step plan

- Read each step and the main items under each.

- "These 4 steps were all the foreman used to make the improvement on the demonstration job."

- "These principles are all we need to make thousands of valuable improvements."

- Stress importance of LEARNING Instruction CARD.

"Would more improvements right now—today—help you with your present production problems?" (some discussion)

- Use the following 5 paragraphs if more "selling" is necessary:

  - "One improvement each week would make any Supervisor's job easier, reduce 'bottlenecks' and cut down the number of 'trouble' jobs."

  - "One improvement today is worth ten times as much now as it would be next year."

  - "We can't afford to be 'TOO BUSY' to find time to continually search for improvements."

  - "Our fighting forces need greater quantities of quality products in less time to win this war."

  - "Improvements must be made now!"

"Will this Job Methods plan make it easier for you to develop and apply improvements?" (some discussion)
- If any say "no," point out that the plan will help on any production job that includes Material Handling, Machine Work, or Hand Work.

- To break down, "Our work is different" attitude, point out that these principles have been applied by others to:
  - Mass Production and Job Shops.
  - Airplanes, Tanks, Guns, Ships, Munitions, Chemical and Lumber Manufacturing.

- Get all to agree that, "It can be done."

14. ASSIGN IMPROVEMENT DEMONSTRATIONS FOR SESSION II

"This is the whole story—Let's put it to work"

- "Everyone will make Job Methods improvements."

- "Pick out a short job in your department on which you need Greater Quantities of Quality Products in Less Time. Perhaps, one that's giving you trouble."

- "Don't try to find one that might show startling improvement."

- "Take any job—perhaps the first one that you think of—or the first one you see as you walk through the department."

- "Make a Job BREAK-DOWN of the present method."

- "QUESTION every detail on the Break-down."
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- "DEVELOP the new method."
- "Make a proposed method job break-down."
- "If you don't find an improvement on the first job, tackle another one."
- "Get ready to tell us how you APPLIED or will APPLY the new method."
- "Bring break-downs and samples, sketches, material, equipment, and tools to show both the present and proposed methods to the Group."
- "About 20 minutes for both methods."
- Ask members to name the job they will "tackle" for improvement.
- "DO NOT BRING in any SECRET PRODUCTS or processes. Check this with your boss."

Assign 3 improvement demonstrations for Session II
- Get 3 volunteers for Session II.
- "Any short job in your own department."
- "All improvements must be NEW IDEAS—no ancient history!"
- Be sure they understand exactly what to do for Session II.
- Have them tell you what they are going to do.

HAND OUT BLANK BREAK-DOWN SHEETS
- 2 to each member—1 for present, 1 for proposed.
15. Resistance and resentment—
   and closing

"Two human failings have stopped many improvements
   from being put to work."

- "The first of these is resistance to new
   ideas."

- "Don’t be surprised if someone with whom you are
   checking over an idea tells you, ‘The present
   method has been successful for twenty years—
   why change it?’ That is a natural reaction."

- "Be careful of the natural resistance everyone
   seems to have toward new improvements."

- "We all tend to defend past practice, precedent,
   tradition, custom, habit—and to argue against
   any new ideas."

- Cite some examples of resistance to such things
   as: Balloon Tires, Hydraulic Brakes, Clipper
   Planes.

- "Don’t let resistance interfere with improve-
   ments."

- "The principles of the Job Methods plan are not
   new. They were developed thirty years ago."

- "Job Methods is a streamlined and simplified
   version of tried and proved principles."

"The second failing is resentment of criticism"

- "Perhaps someone may interpret our search for a
   better method as personal criticism."
- "It is up to us to explain our purpose, which is a constructive search for a better way to get out the production needed for the war effort."

- "Let's not be afraid to bring in improvements that may infer criticism of ourselves, i.e. 'Why didn't you think of that one before?'"

- "Our discussion of each job improvement will be only constructive, not personal criticism."

- "Let's be sure that fear of criticism doesn't stop any of our ideas for improvements."

Close promptly with these remarks

- "Remember the job we all have to do in this War of Production."

- "Keep in mind that improving job methods is part of our fighting assignment."

- Stress how job methods improvements will help in our drive to produce greater quantities of quality products in less time.

- "Learn the instruction card before Session II."

- "Remember your assignments for Session II."

- "Bring in break-downs, sketches, materials, etc.—for actual demonstrations."

- "Session II will be held on:

  ................... from ................... to ...................
  (Day)             (Hour)                   (Hour)

- Collect name cards for use at other Sessions. Record attendance.
BEFORE YOU BEGIN SESSION II

BE SURE YOU HAVE THESE MATERIALS

Extra JM Instruction Cards 14 Proposal Sheets
Extra Blank Break-down Sheets 3 Proposal Reports
14 Sample Proposals Attendance Record

BE AT MEETING ROOM 15 MINUTES BEFORE SESSION IS DUE TO OPEN

Arrange chairs. Look after ventilation, blackboard, chalk, eraser, etc.

REMEMBER

In Session II the emphasis is on STEP I: Break down the job.

WORK FROM THE OUTLINE—DON’T TRUST TO MEMORY

If you are invited to visit operations in the Plant, BE ABSOLUTELY SURE YOU DON’T YIELD TO THE TEMPTATION OF GIVING AN ‘EXPERT’S’ OPINION AS TO IMPROVEMENT OF ANY OPERATION YOU OBSERVE.
OUTLINE FOR SESSION II

1. OPENING THE SESSION

Opening remarks

- Keep the meeting informal.
  Hand out name cards.

- Express appreciation of the group’s interest in improvement of Job Methods as indicated by their coming promptly.

- “We have seen how the 4-step Job Methods Plan was applied to a sample job.”

- “We will now see how these principles can be applied to our own jobs.”

2. REVIEW SESSION I

Review purpose and 4 steps of the Job Methods plan

- Emphasize the purpose.

- Have the group give you the 4 steps and the main items under each.

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| STEP IV.—APPLY The New Method |
| Sell—Approvals—Use—Credit     |
Review the use of each step and each item as you put them on the black board.

Stress the relation of STEP II to STEP III.

3. PRACTICE DEMONSTRATIONS—TWO JOBS

"The purpose of each demonstration is to learn by doing"

- "When we're convinced the plan can be practically applied, we can make many improvements."

- "We are interested in both the improvements and the application of the 4-step plan."

"To get maximum benefit and to make the demonstrations clear to everyone each member will follow this procedure"

Brief the following 8 points on the blackboard: See p. 77

- "Describe briefly the job you have 'tackled' and explain samples and sketches you will use."

- "Demonstrate the present method."

- "Show present method break-down and read details."

- "Explain what information and leads you obtained from the answers to questions in STEP II."

"Explain how this information helped you to eliminate, combine, rearrange and simplify details while developing the new method in STEP III."

- "Demonstrate the proposed method."

- "Explain how you used, or will use, the items under STEP IV to help you apply the new method."

- "Sum up the improvements on your job."
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Ask group members to follow the demonstration with the Job Methods instruction card before them

- "Check to be sure each part of every step has been considered."

- "Make notes for constructive comments and for questions after demonstration is finished."

- "There will be no discussion DURING demonstration—only questions on points not clear."

Call on the first volunteer

- Ask the volunteer: "Is this improvement new? Have you made a present and a proposed breakdown?"

  - If either answer is "No," call on the second volunteer.

- Have the volunteer follow the demonstration procedure outlined above.

How to comment on each demonstration

- Compliment the volunteer on the good points that show proper application of the Job Methods Plan.

- Ask members if there are questions about the demonstration they want to ask or further improvements they want to suggest.

- Discuss the application of each part of the 4 steps and exactly how they helped the supervisor make his improvement.

- Stress:—"Was it worked out with the operator(s)?"
  —"How was credit given (or planned)?"
- Be sure you don't take the attitude of an "EXPERT." You should ONLY LEAD THE DISCUSSION.

- On questions involving company policy, the supervisor should be referred to his own management.

- Sum up the results of the improvements in terms of increased production and machine use, savings in materials, better quality, safety, and housekeeping, etc. (use blackboard).

- Record each improvement on the Attendance Record and the Proposal Report.

Stress the use of STEP I on each demonstration.

- The correct way to make a break-down should be clearly and completely explained before proceeding to the next demonstration.

- Show how easily a break-down can PROPERLY be made by using the volunteer's job.

- Write out on the blackboard entire present break-down (or a substantial part).

- Repeat the definition of a detail: "Every single thing that is done, every Inspection, every Delay."

- Stress advantage of plenty of notes.

- Emphasize the value of the break-down.

- "We cannot investigate all details properly before listing them carefully."

- "We must have all the facts."

- "The success of the improvement depends on information obtained from questioning a complete breakdown."
Call on the second volunteer (if time permits)

- Use *same procedure* as with first volunteer.

- Be sure to *sum up carefully all improvements* in the demonstration (use blackboard).

- Record the improvement on the Attendance Record and the Proposal Report.

- **Continue to stress** importance of the *break-down*.

- **List all details on the board** to further emphasize the *importance of the break-down*.

- Use both *present and proposed methods* if necessary.

-Prove that a *break-down* of the Present Method listing all details and facts makes it easy to "question" thoroughly and to "develop" completely.

### 4. EXPLAIN USE OF THE PROPOSAL SHEET

Explain importance of writing up proposed new method

- "Too *many* proposed improvements 'die' before they are *put into practice* or put down on paper."

- "The *write-up* is a good device for *SELLING* the improvement to the boss."

- "It is very *useful in getting final approval* on Safety, Quality, Quantity, Cost, etc."

- "Practical improvements can be *passed on and used by others* in the Plant."

How to write up a proposal

- **HAND OUT SAMPLE PROPOSAL.**

- Read the proposal and discuss it in detail.
It is important to list the improved uses of manpower, machines and material at the beginning of the proposal.

Improvements in quality, design, safety, housekeeping, etc., should also be included.

We must tell exactly how the improvement can be made and what will be accomplished.

Stress the importance of heading, signature, samples, sketches, and job break-down sheets.

The names of those who should receive credit should also be shown.

Explain how the check list of questions on the back of proposal sheet should be used.

The questions will help us check the completeness of our improvement.

They may give us some new ideas.

At least, they will stimulate our thinking improving the job.

Each member will write up a proposal.

It should be written-up similar to the sample.

Hand out proposal sheets

Those who put on their demonstrations are now ready to write up proposals in final form.

These members will read their proposals to the Group during Session III.

Others will wait until after the demonstrations to write up and present their proposals.
5. ASSIGN DEMONSTRATIONS FOR SESSION III

Ask for 4 volunteers for Session III demonstrations

- "Any short job in your department. Not a secret product or process."

- "Tackle the first job you come to when you walk into your department."

- "All demonstrations must be made by applying this Job Methods plan."

- "We don't want a review of improvements that have been already put in effect."

- "Each Volunteer will make a job break-down of the job he has selected—question every detail—develop a New Method—and work out a plan for applying the New Method."

- "Also make a break-down of the new method."

- "If you can't improve the first job you tackle; break down, question, and develop another one."

- Ask each Volunteer to name the job on which he will apply the 4-Step Plan.

- Have volunteers tell you what they are going to do to follow the 4-Step Plan.

- Check with the others in the group to be sure all are working on a job and all are using the 4-step plan.

- "Demonstrations are scheduled for 20 minutes for both present and proposed methods."

- Invite any who want help to stay after Session.
6. REVIEW AND CLOSING

Review

- Stress the value of learning the purpose, the 4 steps and the items under each step.

- Review the use of the proposal sheet and the check list of questions.

Closing the session

- Sell the idea that “learning by doing” is the only way to gain confidence.

- “Job Methods improvement is a regular part of the supervisor’s daily job.”

- Point out the personal advantage to supervisors who make good improvements regularly.

- Stress the value of having their proposals carefully worked out with everybody concerned before turning them in for final approval.

- Close promptly with the reminder that Session III will be held on

  ____________________ from ____________________ to ____________________
  (Day)               (Hour)                      (Hour)

- Collect name cards. Record attendance.
BEFORE YOU BEGIN SESSION III

BE SURE YOU HAVE THESE MATERIALS

Extra JM Instruction Cards
Extra Proposal Sheets
Extra Blank Break-down Sheets
Proposal Reports
Attendance Record

BE AT MEETING ROOM 15 MINUTES BEFORE SESSION IS DUE TO OPEN

Arrange chairs. Look after ventilation, blackboard, chalk, eraser, etc.

REMEMBER

The emphasis in Session III is on STEP II: Question every detail.

WORK FROM THE OUTLINE—DON'T TRUST TO MEMORY

OUTLINE FOR SESSION III

1. OPENING THE SESSION

Opening remarks

- Hand out name cards.

- Express your appreciation of the interest shown by the group at the last Session.

- Compliment those who presented constructive improvements during Session II.

2. REVIEW SESSIONS I AND II

Review the purpose, the 4 steps, and the proposal sheet

- Stress the importance of using the Job Methods plan to make the best use of all the Manpower, Materials, and Machines now available.

- Have the group tell you the 4 steps. Have them put their cards in their pockets during the review.

- Review the use of EACH STEP as you put it on the board.
**Blackboard**

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**STEP IV.—APPLY The New Method**
Sell—Approvals—Use—Credit

- Review use and importance of proposal sheet.

3. **PRACTICE DEMONSTRATIONS—FOUR JOBS**

Stress the value of demonstrations

- "Learning by doing gives us confidence."
- "We see the practical application of these principles to our jobs."
- "Everyone of us has the same opportunity to show his ability in making improvements."

Ask each volunteer to follow this procedure

- Brief the following 8 points on the blackboard: [See p. 77]
  - "Describe briefly the job you have 'tackled' and explain samples and sketches you will use."
  - "Demonstrate the present method."
"Show present method break-down and read details."

"Explain what information and leads you obtained from the answers to the questions in STEP II."

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"Demonstrate the proposed method."

"Explain how you used, or will use, the items under STEP IV to help you apply the new method."

"Sum up the improvements on your job."

Ask group members to follow the demonstration with the Job Methods instruction card before them

"Check to be sure each part of every step has been considered."

"Make notes for constructive comments and questions to use AFTER demonstration is finished."

"There will be no discussion during demonstration—only questions on points not clear."

Call on the first volunteer

Ask the volunteer: "Is this idea new? Have you made a present and proposed break-down?"

If either answer is "No," call on the next volunteer.

Have the volunteer follow the demonstration procedure outlined above.
How to comment on each demonstration

- Compliment the volunteer on the good points that show application of the Job Methods Plan.

- Ask members if there are questions about the demonstration they want to ask or further improvements they want to suggest.

- Discuss the application of each part of the 4 steps and exactly how they helped the supervisor make his improvement.

- Stress: "Was it worked out with the operator(s)?" "How was credit given (or planned)?"

- Be sure you do not assume the attitude of an "expert." You should ONLY LEAD the discussion.

- On questions involving company policy, the supervisor should be referred to the management.

- Sum up the results of the improvements in terms of increased production and machine use—savings in materials—better quality, safety, and housekeeping—etc. (use blackboard)

- Record each improvement on the Attendance Record and on the Proposal Report.

Stress the use of STEP II during this practice period

- Stress the importance of a questioning attitude throughout this Session.


- Review the relation of Step II to Step III.
TRAINING WITHIN INDUSTRY PLAN

- Stress the importance of asking each bracket of questions for each detail.

- Emphasize the need for holding back “flash ideas” and noting them on the breakdown sheets.

- “The best improvements are developed only after careful and complete questioning.”

- Explain why it is essential to complete STEP II before starting STEP III.

- Stress the importance of questioning all factors in Item 2 of STEP II and how these may affect the details of the job.

Demonstrations No. 2, No. 3, No. 4 (same as No. 1)

- Sum up the improvements on each job. (use blackboard)

- Record each improvement on Attendance Record and on Proposal Report.

“The four members who put on demonstrations will write up their proposals and read them at Session IV.”

4. PROPOSALS ON SESSION II

DEMONSTRATIONS

Ask members who put on demonstrations during Session II to read their written proposals.

- Ask for comments and suggestions.

- Recommend that the proposals, break-down sheets, sketches, samples be submitted at once for approval and action.

- Record results of improvements on Proposal Report.
5. ASSIGN DEMONSTRATIONS FOR SESSION IV — AND CLOSE

Ask for volunteers for Session IV demonstrations

- "Any short job. Not a secret product or process."
- "Must be NEW improvements."
- "Follow the 4-step plan."
- "Make a break-down of the proposed method."
- Check the jobs with volunteers.
- Invite any who want help to stay after Session.

Closing the session

- Point out the high points of each demonstration and compliment the group on their progress.
- Remind the group that similar improvements will go far to help win the war.
- Emphasize the urgent need for every improvement.
- Stress the value of taking time to develop New Methods that save time, machines and material.
- Close promptly with a reminder about Session IV on ............... from ............... to .............

- Collect name cards. Record attendance.
BEFORE YOU BEGIN SESSION IV

BE SURE YOU HAVE THESE MATERIALS

- Extra JM Instruction Cards
- Extra Blank Break-down Sheets
- Attendance Record
- Extra Proposal Sheets
- Proposal Reports

BE AT MEETING ROOM 15 MINUTES BEFORE SESSION IS DUE TO OPEN

Make an appointment with the Plant Representative to see him on the day Session V will be held and 45 minutes before it opens. The object is to review with him the Methods Improvements presented at Sessions II, III, and IV which you have listed on your PROPOSAL REPORT.

Between the close of Session IV and the time of your appointment, prepare the PROPOSAL REPORT you will discuss with the Plant Representative.

In the Meeting Room arrange chairs, look after ventilation, blackboard, crayon, eraser, etc.

REMEMBER

The emphasis in Session IV is on STEP III: Develop the new method with others.

WORK FROM THE OUTLINE—DON'T TRUST TO MEMORY

OUTLINE FOR SESSION IV

1. OPENING THE SESSION

Opening remarks

- Hand out name cards.

- Express your appreciation of the interest and enthusiasm shown by the group.

- Compliment those who presented constructive improvements at Session III.

- Stress the need for developing improvements and for getting action so they will be put into effect.

- Ask if the improvements proposed during Sessions II and III have been put into effect.

NOTE.—This will give you something concrete to talk over with the plant representative.
2. REVIEW PREVIOUS SESSIONS

Review purpose and 4 steps of the Job Methods plan

- Ask a member to state the purpose without looking at the instruction card.

- Ask the group to develop the 4 steps without using the card.

Blackboard

Step I.—BREAK DOWN The Job
Step II.—QUESTION Every Detail
Step III.—DEVELOP The New Method
Step IV.—APPLY The New Method

- Point out some outstanding applications of the 4 steps in Session III demonstrations.

3. PRACTICE DEMONSTRATIONS—FOUR JOBS

Point out the advantage to all members of applying the Job Methods principles to all jobs

- "The demonstrations at Sessions II and III illustrated the importance of learning by doing."

Ask each volunteer to follow this procedure

- Brief the following 8 points on the blackboard: See p. 77

  - "Describe briefly the job you have 'tackled' and explain samples and sketches you will use."

  - "Demonstrate the present method."

  - "Show present method break-down and read details."
- "Explain **what information** and leads you obtained from the answers to the questions in **STEP II**."

- "Explain **how this information** helped you to eliminate, combine, rearrange, and simplify details **while developing the new method** in **STEP III**."

- "Demonstrate the **proposed method**."

- "Explain **how you used** or will use the items under **STEP IV** to help you apply the **new method**."

- "**Sum up the improvements** on your job."

Ask group members to follow the demonstration with the **Job Methods** instruction card before them.

- "**Check** to be sure that each part of every step has been considered."

- "**Make notes** for constructive comments and questions **after** demonstration is finished."

- "**There will be no discussion DURING demonstration**—only questions on points not clear."

**Call on the first volunteer**

- **Ask** the volunteer: "**Is this idea new? Have you made a present and a proposed break-down?**"

  - If either answer is "**NO**"—**call on the next volunteer.**

  - **Have the volunteer follow the demonstration procedure** outlined above.

**How to comment on each demonstration**

- **Compliment the volunteer on the good points** that show application of the **Job Methods Plan.**
- Ask members if there are questions about the demonstration they want to ask or further improvements they want to suggest.

- Discuss the application of each part of the 4 steps and exactly how they helped the supervisor make his improvement.

- Stress: "Was it worked out with the operator(s)?" "How was credit given (or planned)?"

- Be sure you do not assume the attitude of an "expert." You should ONLY LEAD the discussion.

- On questions involving company policy, the supervisor should be referred to the management.

- Sum up the results of the improvements in terms of—increased production and machine use—savings in materials—better quality, safety and housekeeping—etc. (use the blackboard)

- Record each improvement on the Attendance Record and on the Proposal Report.

Stress the use of STEP III during this practice period

- Show again the relation of STEP II to STEP III.

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"Eliminating all unnecessary details eliminates waste. This will save manpower, machines, and materials that are badly needed."

"Combining and rearranging details reduces handling and backtracking."

"Simplifying all necessary details by applying the principles on the card makes the work easier and safer for the operator."

"Thus, we can produce greater quantities of quality products in less time by making the best possible use of the manpower, machines, and materials available."

Demonstrations No. 2, No. 3, No. 4 (same as No. 1)

"The four members who put on demonstrations will write up their proposals and submit them at Session V."

"Those who put on their demonstrations at Session V will bring in their written proposals and revise them (if necessary) during the discussion periods."

4. PROPOSALS ON SESSION III DEMONSTRATIONS

Ask members who put on demonstrations at Session III to read their written proposals to the group

- Ask for comments and suggestions.

- Recommend that the proposals, break-down sheets, sketches, samples, etc. be submitted at once for approval and ACTION.

- Remind the group it is important to give credit where credit is due.
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2d hr.  
- Stress the great importance of continuing to search for better ways.
- Record the results of improvements on the Proposal Report.

5. ASSIGN DEMONSTRATIONS FOR SESSION V
—AND CLOSE

Ask for remaining volunteers for Session V demonstrations.
- "Any short job. Not a secret product or process."
- "Must be NEW improvements."
- "Follow the 4-step plan."
- "Make a break-down of the proposed method."
- Check the types of jobs with volunteers.
- Invite any who want help to stay after Session.

Closing the session
- Review the outstanding improvements in the demonstration jobs and compliment the group on their progress.
- Point out the personal satisfaction and the advantages to the supervisor who increases production by improving Job Methods.
- Close promptly with a reminder about Session V on _______________ from _______________ to _______________.
  (Day)  (Hour)  (Hour)
- Collect name cards. Record attendance.
BEFORE YOU BEGIN SESSION V

BE SURE YOU HAVE THESE MATERIALS

Extra JM Instruction Cards
Extra Proposal Sheets
Extra Blank Break-down Sheets
Proposal Reports
Attendance Record

BE AT PLANT 45 MINUTES BEFORE SESSION IS DUE TO OPEN

See the Plant Representative and review with him the PROPOSAL REPORT on the Demonstrations made by members of the Group during Sessions II, III, and IV.

Tell the Plant Representative that in closing Session V you will ask each member of the Group to PLEDGE he will BREAK DOWN and QUESTION at least ONE JOB EVERY WEEK, and to PLEDGE he will DEVELOP and APPLY as many IMPROVEMENTS as possible on these jobs according to the Job Methods Plan.

In this discussion strive to further develop the Plant Representative's interest so he will see that his Company's management gives constructive and continuing ENCOURAGEMENT to the Job Methods Plan and to the supervisors who have participated in it.

BE AT MEETING ROOM 15 MINUTES BEFORE SESSION IS DUE TO OPEN

Arrange chairs. Look after ventilation, blackboard, chalk, eraser, etc.

REMEMBER

The emphasis in Session V is on STEP IV: Apply the new method.

WORK FROM THE OUTLINE—DON'T TRUST TO MEMORY

WITHIN TWO DAYS AFTER SESSION V

Make it a point to complete the ATTENDANCE RECORD and your PROPOSAL REPORT ON ALL DEMONSTRATIONS made by the group. Submit the ORIGINAL to the Plant Representative and one copy to the TWI DISTRICT OFFICE; keep a copy for yourself. See that the TWI DISTRICT OFFICE receives the Attendance Record PROMPTLY.
OUTLINE FOR SESSION V

1. OPENING THE SESSION

Opening remarks

- Hand out name cards.

- Express your appreciation of the interest the Group has shown during the four sessions.

- Compliment those who presented constructive improvements at Session IV.

- Cite one or two recent improvements which are the result of applying the Job Methods plan.

2. REVIEW PREVIOUS SESSIONS

Review purpose and 4 steps of the Job Methods plan

- Ask the group to give the 4 steps and state purpose—without looking at instruction card.

- Review use of steps.

Blackboard

Step I.—BREAK DOWN The Job
Step II.—QUESTION Every Detail
Step III.—DEVELOP The New Method
Step IV.—APPLY The New Method

3. PRACTICE DEMONSTRATIONS—TWO JOBS

Value of demonstrations

- “Learn to present new method before group.”

- “Develop experience by observing how others improve their job methods.”
“Through group discussion we benefit from the experience of others.”

Ask each volunteer to follow this procedure

- Brief the following 8 points on the blackboard:
  
  - “Describe briefly the job you have ‘tackled’ and explain samples and sketches you will use.”

  - “Demonstrate the present method.”

  - “Show present method break-down and read details.”

  - “Explain what information and leads you obtained from the answers to the questions in STEP II.”

  - “Explain how this information helped you to eliminate, combine, rearrange, and simplify details while developing the new method in STEP III.”

  - “Demonstrate the proposed method.”

  - “Explain how you used or will use the items under STEP IV to help you apply the new method.”

  - “Sum-up the improvements on your job.”

Ask group members to follow the demonstration with the Job Methods instruction card before them

- “Check to be sure that each part of every step has been considered.”

- “Make notes for comments and questions to use AFTER demonstration is finished.”

- “There will be no discussion DURING demonstration, only questions on points not clear.”
Call on the first volunteer

- Ask the volunteer: "Is this idea new? Have you made a present and a proposed break-down?"

- If the answer to either is "No," call on the next volunteer.

- Have the volunteer follow the demonstration procedure outlined above.

How to comment on each demonstration

- Compliment the volunteer on the good points that show application of the Job Methods Plan.

- Ask members if there are questions about the demonstration they want to ask or further improvements they want to suggest.

- Discuss the application of each part of the four steps and exactly how they helped the supervisor make his improvement.

- Stress: "Was it worked out with the operator(s)?"
  - "How was credit given (or planned)?"

- Be sure you do not assume the attitude of an "expert." You should ONLY LEAD the discussion.

- On questions involving company policy, the supervisor should be referred to the management.

- Sum up the results of the improvements in terms of increased production and machine use, savings in materials, better quality, safety and housekeeping—etc. (use blackboard).

- Record each improvement on the Attendance Record and on the Proposal Report.
Stress the use of STEP IV during this practice period

- Discuss the value of a complete, clear and concise write-up for the "Boss."

- Also break-down sheets (Present and Proposed), sketches, samples, savings in manpower, machines and materials.

- Talk over the various reasons why operators may need to be sold on the new method, even though it was worked out with one or more of them earlier (in Step III).

- Discuss effective ways for selling new methods to operators.

- "Securing final approval from all concerned is necessary to assure proper authorization for making changes in methods and to avoid difficulties."

- Stress the importance of quick action in putting the New Method to work.

  - "Constant checking is necessary to make sure the new method remains in effect."

  - "Keep on searching for a better method."

- "Give credit where credit is due."

- "Credit is a powerful incentive to producing more and better ideas."

- "Credit should be given to every person who helped make an improvement."

- "Failure to give credit may stop all other good ideas that might come from the Department or the Plant."

- "Proper credit is indispensable to the success of the Job Methods plan."
4. PROPOSALS ON SESSIONS IV AND V DEMONSTRATIONS

Ask members who put on demonstrations during sessions IV and V to read their completed proposals to the group.

- Ask for comments and suggestions.

- Recommend that the proposals, break-downs, etc. be submitted at once for approval and ACTION.

- Record results of improvements on the Proposal Report.

5. REVIEW THE JOB INSTRUCTION PLAN

Stress the importance of instructing operators properly.

- "Failure to properly instruct operators may mean failure of the new method."

- "To be sure the new method is done exactly right, instruct the worker carefully—following the Job Instruction Plan."

Ask members to tell you the four get-ready points of the Job Instruction plan.

1. "Have a time table."

2. "Break down the Job—List the principal steps and the key points."
3.—"Have everything ready."

4.—"Have the work place properly arranged."

Ask members to give the 4 basic steps of the Job Instruction plan (YOU review sub-heads briefly).

- "Step 1—Prepare the worker."
- "Step 2—Present the operation."
- "Step 3—Try out performance."
- "Step 4—Follow up."

- "If the worker hasn’t learned, the instructor hasn’t taught" applies to all jobs."

- "Be sure this plan is used every time an operator is instructed in a New Method."

6. SUMMARY AND CLOSING APPEAL

Summarize the Job Methods plan

- Review the purpose.

  - "Carrying out this purpose will help you personally, and it will help win the war."

- Review the four steps completely.

  - Be sure every member has an instruction card.

  - Urge every member to keep the instruction card with him and to use it every time he begins to improve a Job Method.

  - "All the principles that are needed to improve hundreds of our jobs are on this card."
The group member's responsibility

- "Now that our five meetings are over and each of us has demonstrated, 'it can be done,' we have a responsibility. It begins here and now."

- "This plan is only as good as we make it—by applying it today, tomorrow, and every day to every job and keeping on applying it."

- Ask the MEMBERS of the group TO PLEDGE that they will break down and question at least one job every week.

  - And to pledge they will develop and apply as many improvements on these jobs as they can.

- Assure the group of management's support, and pledge to give proposals prompt action.

Closing appeal

- "Our men and women on the fighting front are risking their lives to win this war today, tomorrow, and every day of the week."

- "We all know by now that improvements in job methods will definitely help us produce greater quantities of quality products in less time."

- "I know you will put the Job Methods plan to work every time you can so you can do even more for the war effort."

- "And, I know that the improvements you make will be a credit to you and to the company."

- "Take time to study every job. Encourage others to take Job Methods so they can help."
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The following pages were prepared to assist you in your capacity as Trainer to make a convincing presentation. These pointers were prepared after hundreds of ten-hour sessions had been closely observed to find the best way to get results.

In presenting this Job Methods program an otherwise convincing demonstration is often spoiled by a point that was improperly made because it appeared to be of minor importance. You will avoid this if you will study the pages that follow. Practice the demonstrations until you have mastered each step and successfully timed your explanation with each move you make.

To help you become thoroughly competent in making the demonstrations, the explanations accompanying each step are given in full in this Reference Material. A clear understanding of the points to be made is absolutely necessary to a successful demonstration. These points are covered in detail on the pages which follow. References to these explanations appear in the Sessions Outline in the right hand margin and are printed in italics.

In addition, there are suggestions for establishing an informal atmosphere to put the group at ease; also, suggestions for making clear where the Job Methods program fits in as one of a supervisor's five needs.

Illustrations, stories and examples of your own that show the practical application of the items presented are very desirable and should be used whenever appropriate. However, no item in the Sessions Outline is to be omitted or changed.

This does not mean that the paragraphs in quotation marks are always to be given to the group exactly word for word as given in the Sessions Outline. The Trainer may use his own words so long as the exact meaning is preserved at all times.
“ESTABLISH AN INFORMAL ATMOSPHERE”

The personal impression you make during the first 5 or 10 minutes is a big factor. If favorable, it makes the work easier. If unfavorable, you must make considerable effort later to overcome this impression.

The manner of your delivery and the tone of your voice should show clearly that you are in earnest, that you feel strongly about the importance of the work, and that you fully respect the present knowledge and experience of the group. Here are some ideas that will help you to open the session successfully.

1. Establish your own industrial background by briefly relating your own industrial connection. If this is done while writing or printing your name on the blackboard, it will set a pattern each one present will naturally follow.
   - Have Group members state their own connections briefly. This is done not so much for the information they give but to put them at ease. It is something they can do correctly and easily. Allow about 15 seconds for each member.
   - Have members print their names and departments (and company's name, if several companies are represented) on a card which is placed before them.
   - You can say that your difficulty in remembering names makes this cooperation on their part a help in conducting the sessions.

2. If plant regulations permit smoking, you may light a pipe or a cigarette and thus encourage informality. But keep in mind that a pipe or a cigarette can be a nuisance to you while trying to talk or write.
   - When you have encouraged informality in this manner, put the pipe or cigarette aside until later in the session when it will not interfere with conducting the meeting.

3. Your only purpose is to help them to make better use of what they now know. They were selected for their skill and experience. They probably know more about that part of their job than anyone else in their Department.

4. At all times avoid the atmosphere of the classroom. The members of your group are mature persons and they resent any suggestion of the “school teacher and school boy” relationship. Make it a point to avoid using terms such as “class,” “student,” “classroom,” “teacher.” Instead, use terms such as these: “group,” “worker or learner,” “get-together,” “meeting,” “instructor,” etc. Keep before the group the fact that TRAINING is a normal part of a supervisor's job—it isn't something “special” or “apart.” Think and speak of a meeting devoted to training just as you would of any other important meeting that has to do with PRODUCTION.

5. Tell the group they will discuss shop problems, as a group of men in the shop, and there's nothing technical.
   - There will be a chance to actually try out the plan and practices discussed.

6. Tell the group that not so long ago you were “on their side of the table,” when you took this training yourself. You know it is not too difficult to “get on to” and you have tried it out in practice. It works. Being able to “pass it along” is a satisfaction to you. It's a real privilege to be associated with something that can be of so much help to the war effort.
THE FIVE NEEDS OF A SUPERVISOR

On the first page of the Outline for Session I, there is a paragraph which reads as follows: “Cover the ‘five needs’ of every supervisor.” This appears near the bottom of page 5. The Trainer’s job at this point is to explain in a few words how Skill in Improving Job Methods is one of the supervisor’s five most necessary qualifications.

Before you attempt to explain the five needs at this point, study the FIVE NEEDS STORY on page 2. Then, consider the following brief presentation given below as one way of telling this story clearly and in the shortest time.

Make it a point to take no more than three minutes at the outside to tell this story. Otherwise, your time table all through Session I will be upset.

Write the five needs on the blackboard as you tell the story.

“Let’s look at a supervisor’s job—and the knowledge and skill he must have to manage it successfully.”

“First, he must have Knowledge of the Work.” (Tell briefly what this covers and write on the blackboard: ‘1—Knowledge of Work’)

“Second, he must have Knowledge of his Responsibilities.” (Tell briefly what this covers and write on the blackboard: ‘2—Knowledge of Responsibilities’) ‘

“These two needs vary with each company and plant, and the necessary knowledge to fill these needs must be provided by the plant organization itself. Often knowledge that is necessary in one plant is of no use at all in another plant.”

“A third need of every supervisor is Skill in Instructing.” (Tell briefly what this covers and write on the blackboard: ‘3—Skill in Instructing’)

“The fourth need is Skill in Improving Methods.” (Tell briefly what this covers and write on the blackboard: ‘4—Skill in Improving Methods’)

“And the fifth is Skill in Leading People.” (Tell briefly what this covers and write on the blackboard: ‘5—Skill in Leading’)

“The Skill of Improving Methods is the part of the supervisor’s job that we’re going to tackle in these Sessions. Training Within Industry gives the same kind of help on developing Skill in Instructing and Skill in Leading People.”

“Practice and experience in using these three skills helps the supervisor to recognize and solve his daily problems. The supervisor who ‘gets these three skills under his belt’ can use them anywhere. They are his for all time.”

THE DEMONSTRATION JOB

“The principles of the Job Methods plan can be best demonstrated by showing how they were applied to an actual job. The job we will use for demonstration is from another war plant—not this plant. Watch this demonstration job in terms of any job in your own department.”

“While we have tried to pick a typical job as a sample for demonstration it was impossible to select one that would be exactly like those performed in your shop or department. The sample job we picked out was chosen simply to show how the Plan definitely improves Job Methods.”

“First we show you the PRESENT METHOD of doing this job and then, the PROPOSED METHOD. The same kinds of improvements that were made on this job can be made on any job which includes ONE or MORE of the three basic types of work.”
JOB METHODS PLAN APPLIES TO ALL JOBS

Ask several members of the group to name the kinds of work done in their departments. From their answers, develop the fact that ALL of the operations on ANY production job can be classified under ONE or MORE of three basic types of work: (1) Material Handling (2) Machine Work (3) Hand Work.

(Note.—Thinking, Inspection, and other “nonproductive” operations are parts of all three types of work)

Write the three types of work on the blackboard.

“The demonstration job includes: (1) Material Handling (2) Machine Work and (3) Hand Work. These are the features to be compared to your jobs—not this product, nor this operation. Make it a point to watch these three basic types of work during the demonstration; observe them in terms of any job in your own department.”

Emphasize that these three types of work are included in the demonstration job and that these three types of work are comparable to their jobs. IT IS VERY NECESSARY TO MAKE THIS COMPARISON CLEAR. In this way you will overcome the objection that the Plan does not apply to their jobs because “their work is different.” It reduces any job of any kind to the common denominator of ONE or MORE of the three general types of work.

MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT

“The sample Job selected for demonstration is the making and packing of Radio Shields. (SHOW SAMPLE RADIO SHIELD) Each Shield consists of a 5-inch-by-8-inch Copper Sheet riveted to a similar Brass sheet, at four points. Each completed Shield has the word ‘TOP’ stamped in the lower right-hand corner of the Brass Sheet. The two sheets are each about fifteen one-thousandths or one sixty-fourth of an inch thick. (SHOW SAMPLE SHEETS) You will notice we are using cardboard in place of Copper and Brass because these metals are scarce and substitutes serve our purpose for the demonstration.”

1. “The operations performed on the sheets are Inspecting, Assembling, Riveting, Stamping, and Packing.”

2. “The operations are performed by FOUR OPERATORS, each working at his own bench.”

3. “On each bench there is a hand-operated riveting machine represented by this paper stapler. (SHOW THE STAPLER)

4. The substitution will serve our purpose. It is impossible to carry riveting machines from group to group, and they are needed for war production.”

5. “There is a rubber stamp and a stamp pad beside the riveting machine for the purpose of stamping each Shield.” (SHOW THE STAMP AND PAD)

THE PRESENT METHOD

“We will now demonstrate the PRESENT METHOD of making and packing the Shields.”

“There are four sets of machines and equipment, one for each of the four operators. We will follow the job of completing the Shields as performed by one of the operators whom we will call ‘Jim Jones.’ The same job was being done by the three other men. Another man, a Material Handler, worked with these operators. He serviced other operators on the same floor as well.”
"The Copper and Brass sheets were delivered in Tote Boxes by the Material Handler at a point six feet away from the work bench. He brought the Shields from the Punching and Stamping Department. Two scrap bins, one for Copper and one for Brass, were located at the right of the bench. The Tote Box for Finished Shields was on the left side of the bench." (SHOW POSITIONS OF BOXES AND BINS)

Picking-up, Laying Out and Inspecting

"From his bench Jones walked six feet to the Supply Box containing Copper Sheets. He picked up 15 to 20 Copper Sheets although he was only going to lay out 12 on the bench. He did not pick up the exact number of sheets because they were thin and it was hard to pick up the right number. Also, there were usually among them sheets that had been scratched or dented and they could not be used. With the Copper Sheets in one hand, he walked six feet back to the bench."

"Jones then laid out 12 sheets on the bench, in three rows of four to a row. As he laid them out, he inspected each one for scratches and dents. Only one side of the sheet had to be inspected because a scratch or dent bad enough to spoil its quality shows through. The sheets he rejected, he dropped into the Copper Scrap bin. To do this he had to take two steps toward the bin." (SHOW ONE OR TWO DAMAGED SHEETS AND PUT THEM IN THE BIN)

"Since a few sheets were usually left over, he walked back to the Supply Box and replaced the extra sheets. Then he walked three feet from the Copper Supply Box to the Brass Supply Box and picked up 15 to 20 Brass Sheets. Again, he did not pick up exactly 12 because the sheets were thin, and more than likely he would have had to scrap some of them."

"Jones then returned to the bench and inspected and laid out 12 Brass Sheets. He put one on top of each Copper Sheet. This had to be done carefully, since they scratched easily. Defective sheets were thrown in the Brass Scrap Bin. As before, he had to take two steps in order to throw the defective sheets into the proper bin. (REJECT ONE OR TWO) If he had any Brass sheets left—usually he did—he had to make another trip to the Supply Box, six feet away, in order to return them and walk six feet back to the bench again."

"Jones then stacked the 12 sets of sheets crosswise (criss-cross) near the right side of the riveter and he sat down in front of it."

Riveting and Completing the Shield

"He then picked up a set of sheets with his right hand, and lined them up so the holes matched and the edges of the sheets were even. The line-up tolerance was five one-thousandths of an inch. Lining up to this close tolerance called for a good deal of experience. When the sheets were lined up, he positioned them in the riveter, riveted the top left-hand corner, moved the sheets, riveted the other top corner, and removed them from the riveter. Then he reversed the sheets and riveted the bottom corners."

"He removed the Shield, reversed it, and placed it on the bench. He stamped the word ‘TOP’ on the right-hand corner of the Brass Sheet, inking the stamp on the stamp pad. Then he set the completed Shield aside on the bench." (RIVET AND STAMP AT LEAST 3 SHIELDS)

"Having laid out 12 sets of sheets, he repeated the process described above until all 12 sets were riveted, stamped, and piled on the bench. Then he carried the 12 Shields to the Tote Box for Finished Shields, placed them in the box and returned to the bench."
Weighing and Packing

"He repeated this process until the Tote Box for Finished Shields was full. Then, he picked it up and carried it to the scale and weighed it. The scale, used by the entire department, was 50 feet away from his bench. The Tote Box weighed about 75 pounds, so a strong man was required. (PICK UP THE BASKET OR CHAIR YOU ARE USING AS A TOTE BOX AND CARRY IT TO THE REAR OF THE 'CONFERENCE ROOM. MAKE IT LOOK REALISTIC! USE PROPER LIFTING PROCEDURE) Jones made out a weight ticket and placed it in the Tote Box. After placing the box beside the scale, he returned to his bench and started on another box of Shields."

"When two or three Tote Boxes of Finished Shields had accumulated near the scale, the Material Handler took them on a two-wheel hand truck to the Packing Department, a distance of 100 feet. In the Packing Department, the first thing the Packer did was to remove the Shields from the Tote Box, check-inspecting them as he went along. Then the Packer counted out 200 of them and packed them in a wooden case supplied by the Material Handler. The Packer nailed the cover on the case, weighed it, and stenciled the delivery address on the outside. He marked the weight on the delivery slip and set the case aside for shipment. The Tote Boxes he had emptied were returned by the Material Handler to a point close by the riveting operator’s work bench."

DISTRIBUTE PRESENT METHOD LAYOUT and review the FLOW of MATERIAL from the supply boxes to the shipping platform. Point out the NUMEROUS HANDLINGS.

"Can you identify the Material Handling, the Machine Work, and the Hand Work that were performed on this job?" (REFER TO MATERIAL HANDLING, MACHINE WORK, AND HAND WORK ON THE BLACKBOARD AND HAVE VOLUNTEERS IN THE GROUP IDENTIFY EACH TYPE OF WORK)

EQUIPMENT FOR THE PROPOSED METHOD

"Now, let’s look at the PROPOSED METHOD for doing the same job. This improved method was developed with the help of the operator, Jim Jones, and put to work by the Foreman of the department by applying the principles of the Job Methods Plan. For convenience, we will call the Foreman, Bill Brown."

"First, let’s look at the improvement that was made. Then, we will discuss HOW Bill Brown applied this Job Methods Plan and HOW each of us can use the Plan to improve any job in our department or company."

"Watch these improvements closely. Not only for the way in which they apply to this sample job but how the principles which made the improvements possible may be applied to ANY job in our department which includes Material Handling, or Machine Work, or Hand Work."

"Here are the results: The Tote Boxes of Copper and Brass Sheets were placed directly on the bench by the Material Handler. It made no difference to him whether he placed them on the bench or six feet away. No extra work was required." (PLACE PILES OF SHEETS ON THE TABLE)
Riveting Machines, Fixtures and Jigs

"Two riveting machines were placed side by side on the bench. It was not necessary to buy new machines because the second machine was taken from one of the other benches. Then, a simple fixture was made to fit around the two riveters. The riveters were spaced very carefully—in exact locations so that rivets would go through two holes in the sheets at the same time. In addition, the fixture was equipped with two guides that fit the sheets. When the operator slips the sheets between the guides, the sheets are lined up automatically before riveting. This lining-up is within the tolerance limits of five one-thousandths of an inch." (SHOW GROUP HOW THE RIVETERS FIT INTO THE FIXTURE, AND HOW THE SHEETS FIT BETWEEN THE GUIDES, AND ARE AUTOMATICALLY LINED UP)

"Two jigs were made to hold the sheets. (SHOW JIGS TO GROUP) One of them is for the Copper Sheets, the other for the Brass Sheets. One jig was placed at the right side of the fixture and the other at the left. An arm was placed on each jig at an angle of 45 degrees so the sheets are held in position where they can be easily picked up by the operator. This angle arm was suggested by Jim Jones."

"The Scrap Bins were placed under the work bench and two slots were cut in the bench so damaged sheets could be dropped into the bins. The slots are directly in front of the jigs. Cutting the slots was also suggested by Jim Jones, the operator."

New Arrangements for Packing and Shipping

"Shipping cases were placed beside the operator so he could put the completed shields directly into the shipping case. The Material Handler brings in empty cases and takes away the full ones."

"Since there were no longer any heavy Tote Boxes to be carried from one place to another and the sheets were lined up automatically, it became possible for operators with less experience and less physical strength to do the work satisfactorily. The result was that four strong, well-experienced operators were UPGRADED to more important work where this experience and these physical qualifications could be used to better advantage. Jim Jones was pleased that his contribution had helped improve the job."

THE PROPOSED METHOD

"Doing the job by the IMPROVED METHOD, the first thing the operator does is to put a pile of Copper Sheets in the right-hand jig and a pile of Brass Sheets in the left-hand jig."

"He ‘fans’ them out as he puts them into the jigs so they can be picked up one at a time very easily." (DEMONSTRATE BY FILLING THE JIGS)

"With his right hand, the operator picks up one Copper Sheet and with his left hand he picks up one Brass Sheet. He inspects both sheets, dropping any defective ones down the proper slot. And, he puts the good sheets together in pairs with the Brass Sheet on top. Then he puts each pair of sheets in the fixture. It is no longer necessary to line them up so the holes and edges will be in the same position. The guides on the fixture do this automatically."

The Simplified Riveting Process

"He rivets the two bottom corners at the same time since he has two riveting units and can operate them with two hands at the same time. Then he removes the sheets, reverses them, and places them in the fixture guides to rivet the two top corners. He does the bottom first,
so the square corners will be flush against the guides on the fixture. Thus, he does not have to watch to see that the cut-away corners meet because, when the bottom has been riveted, the sheets are already very tightly pressed together and the cut-off corners meet exactly. As soon as it is riveted, he places the finished Shield in front of the fixture.” (RIVET AT LEAST 3 SHIELDS)

“He repeats the process 19 times until he has completed 20 Shields. He does not have to count or weigh them because the height of the fixture had been so designed that when 20 Shields are stacked in front of it, the top of the pile is exactly flush with the top surface of the fixture. The Shields are sold and delivered by count, not by weight.”

“When he has finished 20 Shields, he places them in the shipping case at his right. As soon as one case has been filled with 200 Shields, he sets an empty case on the one he has just filled. When four or five cases are full, the Material Handler delivers the cases that are full to the Packing Department. There, the Shields are spot-check inspected by the Packer who nails on the cover, weighs the case, puts the weight on the delivery slip, and sets the case aside for shipment.”

DISTRIBUTE PROPOSED METHOD LAYOUT. Point out the FLOW OF MATERIALS AND COMPARE WITH PRESENT METHOD LAYOUT.

“WHY THE TOP STAMP WAS UNNECESSARY”

“The stamp and stamp pad used in the PRESENT METHOD to put the word TOP on each completed Shield are not used under the PROPOSED METHOD. The reason is that Bill Brown, the Foreman, was in a position to ask the Engineering and Inspection Departments WHY this stamping was NECESSARY. He was given the following answer: ‘Are you fellows still doing that? It is not necessary to stamp the word TOP on the newly designed Shields that have the upper left hand corner cut off. There is only one way they can be assembled NOW. The stamp should have been left off 6 or 8 months ago when the design was changed.’”

“Someone forgot to tell the Foreman about the stamp and forgot to change the blueprint and specifications.”

HOW THE RIVETING DETAILS IN STEP III WERE SIMPLIFIED

Arrange the work place with the sheets ON the bench, packing case beside the operator, ONE riveting machine on the bench, and the CARD in YOUR HAND. Make a careful and logical explanation as you demonstrate ALL the significant moves and developments worked out by the foreman.

“Let’s see how Bill Brown, with some help from his operator, Jim Jones, simplified the details noted ‘better way.’ He used these principles and ONLY these principles.”

This is the way Bill said he reasoned out the improvements. He used the card to get ideas.

- He read: “PRE-POSITION the materials in the proper work area.”
  - He moved the sheets near the riveting machine.
  - But they were still awkward to pick up.

- Again he consulted the card: “Use JIGS and fixtures for holding.”
  - This gave him an idea. Why not make jigs to hold the sheets?
  - Jim Jones suggested putting an angle arm that would fan out the sheets on each jig, so he could always pick up one sheet with each hand.
  - So Bill had the jigs made up.
But it was still necessary to LINE UP the sheets by hand.
Also one hand had to be used for holding while doing the riveting.
As Bill studied the problem an idea developed: Since there were two punchings, why not try TWO riveting machines?
He looked at the card and read: "Use jigs and FIXTURES for holding."
This seemed to be a good idea, so he had a fixture designed to HOLD and EXACTLY SPACE the riveting machines.
Once the fixture was made, he saw at a glance the need for guides to line up the sheets.
Now, one hand need not be used for holding. BOTH HANDS could be used for riveting.

As Bill and Jim tried out the improvement, they came to a defective sheet. It was necessary to get up and go to the scrap bin to get rid of it.
They consulted the card again: "Use drop delivery chutes."
The operator picked up this idea and asked whether slots could not be cut in the bench.
This was done and the scrap boxes were placed under the slots.
Now, it was NOT necessary to get up so as to discard scrap.
Bill then made the job still "EASIER" by having the fixture made of just the right thickness so that a pile of 20 completed Shields would be flush with the top of the fixture.
The empty cases for finished Shields WERE PRE-POSITIONED within easy reach.
Then it was a simple matter to place the Shields directly in the packing cases until they were filled.

"This was the REASONING Bill went through, with some help from one of his workmen, when they worked out the proposed method. They used the principles on the card and only these principles.

THE EIGHT STEPS OF A PRACTICE DEMONSTRATION
A great help to the Trainer and the group members is to list on the blackboard (in very abbreviated form) the eight steps for putting on a practice demonstration. These demonstrations take place during Sessions II, III, IV and V.
In their briefest form, without regard to conventional abbreviation, the eight points would be written like this:

1. Describe the job
2. Demo present method
3. Read details—present
4. Info. from Step II
5. How info. used in Step III
6. Demo proposed method
7. How use Step IV
8. Sum up
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DEMONSTRATION KIT, consisting of:

1 Fixture 1 "Top" Stamp
2 Jigs with 1 Stamp Pad
   angle arms 250 Copper Cards
2 Staplers 250 Brass Cards
### Job Methods Breakdown Sheet

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#### List of All Details for Present Method

Every single thing that is done—Every inspection—Every delay

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<td>Placed 6 feet from bench by handler.</td>
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<td>Pick up 15 to 20 copper sheets.</td>
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<td>Walk to bench.</td>
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<td>9.</td>
<td>Inspect and lay out 12 brass sheets.</td>
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<td>Walk to bench.</td>
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<td>12.</td>
<td>Stack 12 sets near riveter.</td>
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<td>13.</td>
<td>Pick up one set with right hand.</td>
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<td>14.</td>
<td>Line up sheets and position in riveter.</td>
<td>Line-up tolerance .005&quot;.</td>
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<td>17. Remove, reverse, and position in riveter.</td>
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<td>19. Move sheets and rivet bottom left corner.</td>
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<td>20. Remove, reverse, and place shield on table.</td>
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<td>Repeat No. 13 to No. 21—11 times.</td>
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<td>22. Carry 12 shields to tote box and place in box.</td>
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<td>23. Carry full tote box to scale and weigh.</td>
<td>50 feet from bench to scale.</td>
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<td>24. Make weight ticket and place in box.</td>
<td>Approximately 75 pounds—gross.</td>
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<td>25. Carry tote box to packing department.</td>
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<td>28. Close, weigh, and stencil case.</td>
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<td>29. Mark weight on delivery slip.</td>
<td>Empty tote boxes returned by handler.</td>
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## JOB METHODS BREAKDOWN SHEET

**Operation:** Inspect, Assemble, Rivet, Pack  
**Product:** Radio Shields  
**Department:** Riveting and Packing

**Your name:** Bill Brown  
**Operator's name:**  
**Date:** June 14, 1944

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1. Put pile of copper sheets in right jig
2. Put pile of brass sheets in left jig
3. Pick up 1 copper sheet in right hand and 1 brass sheet in left hand
4. Inspect both sheets
5. Assemble sheets and place in fixture
6. Rivet the 2 bottom corners
7. Remove, reverse, and place sheets
8. Rivet the 2 top corners
9. Place Shield in front of fixture  
   Repeat No. 3 to No. 9 incl.—19 times
11. Carry full cases to Packing Dept.  
    By Handler with hand truck
12. Close, weigh, and stencil cases  
    Check inspection by Packer
13. Write weight on delivery slip
14. Set cases aside for shipment

**Reminders—Tolerances—Distance—Time used—Etc.**
- Boxes placed on table by Handler
- Scratches and dents. Drop scrap through slots
- Fixture lines up sheets and locates rivet holes. Brass sheet on top
- Cases placed by Handler
- By Handler with hand truck
- Check inspection by Packer
Job Methods Training
PRESENT METHOD LAYOUT

BENCH

Pile of Finished Shields

BRASS ScRAP BIN

SUPPLY OF BRASS SHEETS

Copperscrap Bin

SUPPLY OF COPPER SHEETS

Lay-out of 12 Copper and Brass Sets

Pile of sets

Tote Box

OPERATOR

50 Feet By Operator

100 Feet By Handler

RIVETING DEPT.

PACKING DEPT.

DRAWN TO SCALE
JOB METHODS
PROPOSED METHOD LAYOUT

DOUBLE RIVETER FIXTURE

BENCH
JIG FOR BRASS SHEETS
SLOT FOR BRASS SCRAP
BIN BELOW BENCH FOR BRASS SCRAP

SUPPLY OF BRASS SHEETS

SUPPLY OF COPPER SHEETS
JIG FOR COPPER SHEETS
SLOT FOR COPPER SCRAP
BIN BELOW BENCH FOR COPPER SCRAP

OPERATOR RIVETING DEPT.

SHIPPING CASE

PACKING DEPT.
PACKING BENCH

SCALE

CAGES READY FOR SHIPMENT

PACKER

NOT DRAWN TO SCALE

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JOB METHODS
PROPOSAL

To R. V. Swift, Dept. Date June 14, 1944
from Bill Brown, Riveting Dept. Department Riveting

Product or Part Radio Shields

Operation Inspect, assemble, rivet & pack

Note.- Tell exactly HOW you believe this improvement can be accomplished. Use another sheet for additional information or sketches if needed.

Attach Present and Proposed Break-down sheets.

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Before turning in your PROPOSAL, be SURE you have rechecked the New Method with the Job Methods 4-STEP PLAN.

STEP I.—BREAK DOWN the job.
1. List ALL the details of the job EXACTLY as done by the Present Method.
2. Be sure details include all:
   Material Handling.
   Machine Work.
   Hand Work.

STEP II.—QUESTION every detail. Use these types of questions:
1. WHY is it necessary?
2. WHAT is its purpose?
3. WHERE should it be done?
4. WHEN should it be done?
5. WHO is best qualified to do it?
6. HOW is "the best way" to do it?

Also QUESTION the—

MATERIALS
Can better, less expensive or less scarce materials be substituted?
Can the scrap from this job be used for another product?
Have defects and scrap been reduced to a minimum?
Are the material specifications entirely clear and definite?

MACHINES
Is each operating at maximum capacity?
Is each in good operating condition?
Are they serviced regularly?
Is the machine best for this operation?
Should a special set-up man or the operator make all the set-ups?
Can use be made of the machine's or operator's "idle" time?

EQUIPMENT AND TOOLS
Are suitable equipment and tools available?
Have they been supplied to operators?
How about gauges, jigs, and fixtures?
Have equipment, tools, been properly pre-positioned to permit effective work?

PRODUCT DESIGN
Could quality be improved by a change in design or specifications?
Would a slight change in design save much time or materials?
Are tolerances and finish necessary?

STEP III.—DEVELOP the new method.
1. ELIMINATE unnecessary details.
2. COMBINE details when practical.
3. REARRANGE for better sequence.
4. SIMPLIFY all necessary details.

STEP IV.—APPLY the new method.
1. SELL your Proposal to your Boss and Operators.
2. Get final approval of all concerned on SAFETY, QUALITY, QUANTITY, COST.
3. Put the New Method to work. Use it until a better way has been developed.
4. Give CREDIT where credit is due.
Foreword

Since the goal of every sincere trainer is to do the job competently and throughly, this guide merely offers some of the thinking behind the manual and serves to clarify reasons for this thinking.

There are three separate features in presenting Job Methods Training, KNOW the manual, UNDERSTAND the manual, and KNOW the objectives to be attained in each session.

This guide is developed to make your job convincing and the program clear.

Think of the ten-hour session as a challenge to you to convince every member that the principles are sound and the plan practical.

Keep before the group continuously that Job Methods Training is a PRODUCTION TOOL that may be used daily for results, not a course that merely broadens knowledge.
SESSION I

Introduction by the Plant Executive

Many trainers wonder why this is a must of the program. The reasons should be obvious. We all like to get started on the right foot, and if the plant executive pledges cooperation and support, the members of the group immediately react to the importance of the program.

It lends a flavor of cooperation and production interest that helps you, the group, and management.

FIVE MINUTES, NO MORE. And if the executive wants to know what to say, refer him to the written introduction for ideas.

Introduction by the Trainer

Remember the old adage, "First impressions are lasting impressions!" This is your opportunity to sell yourself to the group, and it is a mighty important sale.

We all like a friendly, informal atmosphere. We like the man who can be himself. Be natural, be one of the group, get in the "first name" habit quickly.

Tell the members without fanfare of your background, merely to justify that you are a practical man with industrial background and not a formal educator.

Distribute the name cards, it breaks the spell of listening. Have each man say a few words about himself, it gets them talking. Often it breaks the ice with the skeptics. A few remarks to tie your background in with his helps SELL yourself, if done naturally.

Remember, reasons are powerful so now is the best time to develop the reasons behind the need for T.W.I. Training.
Develop the "five needs" of every supervisor, get their agreement that this is sound reasoning, and fits their job.

Now, what comes next?

You have sold yourself to the group and the need for supervisory "tools of production", now, isn't it natural to sell the tool on which you will concentrate for ten-hours, Job Methods Improvements.

Sell the purpose, the need, that it isn't a new idea, and the Mr. Supervisor, the man right in the group is one of the best sources for ideas and always has been. What you are going to do is to offer a plan that has been tried and proven, developed by men who KNOW the problems of production, and that you KNOW the plan will work because you have worked it yourself.

Watch for the paragraph, "During the next four sessions each of us will have a chance to use this plan on jobs from our own departments!" Here is the opportunity to clearly explain in a few words, what will be expected of them. Each will apply these principles to a small job, ANY small job in fact, and the ideas must be new, not already in effect. This emphasis will sharpen attention for the remainder of Session I. Don't overlook this opportunity, it will help you.

To whet their appetites a little, tell them that certificates will be given those who complete five sessions, something to always remind them of their contribution to the war effort.

If you have handled yourself well to this point, you have done a swell job of selling yourself, and the idea that the program fits them like a glove.
Describe the Use of the Demonstration Job

The preliminaries are completed, now it's time to toe the rubber and start pitching.

Up to now there has been a lot of telling. And telling gets tiresome, so the pace changes. What could be more logical than to select a job, any job, and use this job as a means to clarify the program by demonstration.

But Mr. Skeptic is going to say that's fine, but what does the "any job" have to do with my work?

"My work is different!"

Anticipating this hurdle, you make sure that this cannot be said. You patiently develop the three types of work from the group and drive home that in any job that has any one of these three types of work, these principles apply.

To make sure the die-hards aren't still skeptical, stick your neck out, and ask if anyone can think of a job in his department that does not have at least one of these types of work. This clinches it, for any job can be shown to have at least one of the three types of work.

Now the group is ready to really absorb the demonstration, for they are thinking in terms of some job in their own departments, as compared to the demonstration. THIS IS REALLY AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE PROGRAM. UNLESS YOU GET IT OVER CORRECTLY YOU MAY FIND THE GOING ROUGH.

Present Demonstration

There is just one way to make this effective. Practice makes perfect, and practice you must.

The order is logical and simple. Describe the job so that the group can visualize the product and the work place. Then do the job. The way you do it will help you greatly later in the program, so do it exactly as directed in the manual.
Anticipating that someone may still be a little hazy, you then hand out the "Present Method Layout" and review the flow of material and layout. Just another means to make sure they understand the job. Good instruction, isn't it?

Then to make sure the group has grasped the three types of work, have them point out the Material Handling, Machine Work, and Hand Work.

Demonstrate the Proposed Method

Contrast is impressive, so now since the group is interested in results, why not show the results. Sure, it's a little showmanship, but it's sound and impressive.

First we tell them what happened after the foreman applied the principles and later they will see just how it was developed.

Keep in mind that now you are merely showing "What" happened, and this will keep you away from the "How" it happened that comes later. All you are doing is demonstrating the results, NOT how they were developed.

Again the clearest way is to describe the changes, and then perform the Proposed Method.

As after the Present Method demonstration, to make sure each member understands, hand out the Layout Sheet of the "Proposed Method" and review it. Then compare it with the Present Method. The contrast is convincing.

Sell the improved method by selling the results in terms of production, machine use and scrap. Make it impressive.

These results might be accomplished at the expense of the operator, so to make absolutely sure no one gets this idea, KNOCK OUT once and for all that the operator works harder, or in a hurry, or that he or she is speeded up. Act out the speed up, show how this always creates waste and then emphasize...
that there is NO speed up in Job Methods Improvement. Improving methods increases production by ELIMINATING the UNNECESSARY PARTS OF THE JOB AND MAKING THE NECESSARY PARTS EASIER AND SAFER TO DO.

Stress that after all, these principles are applicable to any job, as was actually the case in the foreman's plant and that hundreds of other jobs were improved.

Now we are going to see HOW it was done by applying the principles and how each in the group can do the same thing on one of their jobs.

Hand out the cards. This is the "textbook". It's all on both sides of the cards.

While you are distributing the cards, clear off the table for you will want to build up the job later and this is the best time to get things in order, so that the group will clearly see the next buildup.

Present the Job Methods Plan

Just explain the four main principles on the card as a lead into the four-step plan.

Step I

The value of every step must be clearly established both as to content and ease of application.

It will all fall in line if we follow the manual and understand the strategy.

First present Step I by reading it in detail.

Then as another aid to clarification, use the board to focus attention on Step I, and the fact that each must LIST ALL DETAILS. (Don't forget the line across the board for this will help you space the following steps.)

You have made a flat statement, now it must be justified. Drive home the reasons why a breakdown is the foundation of all improvements.
To illustrate we know few of the facts on our everyday activity, the examples of buttons on the shirt, eyelets in the shoe, etc., bring this home to the group. More contrast, more showmanship, but it works. To effectively handle this section follow this pattern:

a. State that you will diverge for a few moments to illustrate that we seldom know the details of things we do day in and day out.

b. Select a member of the group. Ask "Do you know how many buttons are on your shirt?" (or a similar question regarding any other article you select). If he answers "Yes" go to another member. If he answers "No!" ask if he would like to guess.

c. After he has guessed right or wrong and counted them, make the statement, "Now you know, you have the facts!"

d. Repeat for at least one other member on another article.

If you use other approaches, you may end up with a slightly pink face. Then comes the description of a detail. Nothing complicated, nothing burdensome.

To show how EASY it is to list details, refer to the Radio Shield Present Method, and have the group develop with you the FIRST FIVE Details. Now you can appreciate how necessary it is to perform the Present Method correctly, for what you DID THEN will determine what you GET BACK NOW. Lead the group and keep on the beam. No long discourses or discussions, for you are doing this for a definite purpose. When the five details are listed, have the group volunteer the time taken to list the five details. Not over 2 minutes if you have handled yourself correctly.

Now you hand out the breakdown. Does it look like a long burdensome job? No! Because you have cushioned the presenting of it by developing the five details so easily and quickly.
Compare the five details on the board with those on the breakdown. Then by simple mathematics, the whole breakdown of thirty details can be done in a few minutes. Drive home the fact, "Did it pay to spend 15 or 20 minutes on a breakdown that will increase production 3 times?" Any sensible person agrees. Drive home the importance that NO MATTER HOW BUSY WE ARE, IT ALWAYS PAYS TO TAKE TIME TO SAVE TIME. The busier we ARE the more Job Methods can HELP US.

This can be most effective. Practice it, refine your presentation, make it flow smoothly and effectively.

Just follow your manual for the balance of Step I. It's right down their line of experience.

Step II

Step II is probably the most difficult to interpret, yet it is the tool which starts the ball rolling to gather information.

The first few paragraphs give you a splendid opportunity to express your individuality and impress the value of a questioning attitude.

Then to the blackboard to list the questions with the help of the group, and then the explanation of each of the six questions. You MUST KNOW and UNDERSTAND the use of these six questions. They must be a part of you, so that irrespective of the detail, the job, the action, or whatever it is, you can apply them intelligently.

Then comes Item 2, Step II and again you must understand the importance of these items. Not just lip service, real understanding.

This furnishes the explanation, now comes the application to the Radio Shield sample. If you UNDERSTAND the six questions, this is duck soup. If you don't, you need a life preserver. Don't make it complicated, don't make an engineering job of it. Just handle it in an easy logical way, and get the
group to list the notes on their breakdown sheets. Keep emphasizing and re-emphasizing that this is the information gathering step. No changes. No flash ideas in use, just gathering every bit of useful information in the way of notes.

Ask your questions and answer them. Just be Bill Brown, the foreman, and if the group tries to cross you up, throw your arms around old "Bill Brown". He made the breakdown, he asked the questions, NOT YOU. Bill can be an awfully handy person.

This gives the group a pattern on the "HOW" of applying Step II.

**Step III**

Now you are ready to do something about all the information gathered in Step II.

Use the blackboard as indicated in the manual to again give the group visual as well as spoken relationship between Step II and Step III.

Now let's look at the logic of the presentation. Think for a minute how anyone might handle Step III on the job. First they would eliminate everything unnecessary, then combine as many necessary details as possible, rearrange the remaining details that could not be combined, and finally simplify all details that might be simplified.

That's exactly the way it's handled except that you demonstrate the development right through from ELIMINATE TO SIMPLIFY.

When you reach item 4, "Simplify the necessary details", you merely amplify the principles of simplification by simple homely comparisons that all may understand, and then demonstrate "HOW" Bill Brown used these principles just as anyone in the group might use them on his own job.

It's so direct and convincing. By this time the light begins to dawn, and the whole picture enfolds.
From here on the going gets smooth. The manual guides you, the reasoning is sound and then each item stands out with logic and clarity.

**Section 12 to end**

You may wonder about a few of the items after Step IV.

For example: Why go around the conference table and have each man state the job he will tackle?

Once a man has stated his job, he has bought the program, it focuses his attention on a specific job. He has started to think and question. Just exactly what you as the trainer want. Remember that most men have, not one, but many jobs in mind.

Be careful that the group understands that you will not hold them exactly to the job they have mentioned, if they find another that they think more suitable. Be informal and flexible.

Caution them that NO improvements already developed are acceptable. The improvement must be new, their idea.

Another question, "Why bring up Section 15"? Just anticipation and if you can beat the other fellow to the punch, you are on top as the group leader.

Now it isn't a tough job if you UNDERSTAND the manual, is it?

What you do in Session I, the way you handle yourself, and the interest you develop pays dividends in Sessions 2, 3, 4, 5.

The challenge is yours. Remember, all of us can always refine and improve. Follow the manual but make the manual be yourself, so that your performance sparkles.

A job well begun is a job well done.
OBJECTIVES OF SESSION II-III-IV-V

Before discussing the handling of each of the remaining sessions, you should have a clear conception of the overall objectives to be accomplished during the ten hours, and what your fundamental thinking must be to reach these objectives.

Objective #1 - To make sure that each member understands each and every part of the 4-step Job Methods Plan.

Objective #2 - To convince every member that the principles of Job Methods Improvement apply to ANY job that has Material Handling, Machine Work, or Hand Work, whether repetitive or not.

This may sound very elementary, but let's not fool ourselves. It is much easier said than done.

Certainly the improvements are important, but NOT AS IMPORTANT AS A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THE USE OF THE PLAN, and how it applies. Then, let's always keep Objective #1 foremost, keeping in mind that for some members it may be Session V before they see the light. Remember if they fail, YOU have failed.

Keep always before you that your obligation is to sell the plan, so that at the conclusion of ten hours each will agree that the JOB METHODS PROGRAM is a PRODUCTION TOOL, that may be used daily on ANY job.
The way you handle Session II determines to a great extent the ultimate success of the ten hours.

Let's review for a minute just where you are in the development of the program and how much the group has absorbed. You will be a genius, or a magician, if every member of the group has a CLEAR picture of the use of the four-step plan. Let's assume the progress of any group is as fast as the SLOWEST MEMBER.

Therefore, the best for which you may hope, is that the group has absorbed 50% of what you put over in Session I, and you had to do a bang-up job if you approached this figure. The best assumption to take is, "Let's start over as far as understanding".

Remember too, the group has seen only the Radio Shield Job, not a job from their plant and you still may have skeptics.

It is, therefore, important to you as the trainer to make Session II impressive. This is the SPOT THAT YOU CAN REALLY DO A SELLING JOB. If you do, Session III, IV, and V really roll. If you don't, you may still be fighting a few by the end of Session V.

Treat Session II as a CLARIFICATION SESSION, of what you attempted to put over in Session I.

The most natural thing to do first would be to review the 4-step plan by questioning the group, and developing it on the board. Just a quick way to pull the group together and focus attention of the USE OF THE PLAN (Objective 1).

While doing this, test your group for understanding. Ask some leading questions, that develop the "reasons why" we perform each step. Encourage questions from the group. Remember, some members will have a questioning attitude, while others hesitate to appear "slow to grasp" before the group. A clear answer to one question may clarify the thinking of the several in the group. Get the answers from the group whenever possible. USE the conference technique.
Now you are ready for the demonstrations but before you begin Demonstration #1, clearly outline the points to be followed in each demonstration.

Some trainers use a corner of the blackboard if large enough, and list each point, following the manual. Others have a prepared sheet which they place conveniently in the room (preferably in the back, or side of the room) which can be used as a guide.

Also ask each member to keep notes on the USE of the plan (Remember Objective #1) as well as questions to be asked after the demonstration is concluded.

The manual calls for two important questions before the demonstration, "Do you have a Present and Proposed Breakdown?", and "Is the Improvement a new one?" If you desire a red face and complete chaos, just neglect to ask these questions. We might let you learn from bitter experience, but frankly we think too much of you. Call for another volunteer IF THE DEMONSTRATOR ANSWERS NO' TO EITHER QUESTION. ALLOW NO EXCEPTIONS.

The first demonstration is all important. A few simple rules to follow:

1. Go to the back of the room and be one of the group. If the demonstrator talks to you, he will at least talk through the group, not away from them.

2. Keep notes inconspicuously, but for goodness sakes KEEP NOTES on the good points, as well as the bad.

3. Interrupt ONLY if demonstration is off the beam or not understandable. Ask the group to follow your example.

4. When the demonstration is completed, have the demonstrator return to his place at the table, and you take charge. Many times it is embarrassing to the demonstrator to have questions fired at him while Mr. Group leader lolls comfortable back in his chair. DON'T LET IT HAPPEN.
5. Follow the procedure outlined in the manual.

Now let us review some things that cannot be put in the manual for every group is different and IT'S UP TO YOU TO HANDLE THE SITUATION INTELLIGENTLY.

After you have complimented the demonstrator on the good points, and there are good points in every demonstration, (It's up to you to detect them) and opened up the questioning period and discussed ideas for further improvement from the group, YOU now begin to SELL THE PLAN.

Nine times out of ten on Demonstration #1 you get steps on the breakdown and not details. If by a miracle you get details, don't pat yourself on the back. It's usually just a coincidence. Take the breakdown and go to work.

List the details on the board correctly. You will have to work mostly with the demonstrator because he knows the job, but keep group participation at least by agreement UNTIL enough details are listed so that EVERYONE understands just what a DETAIL is in Job Methods! On the average, twenty details are usually sufficient. This is where you SELL STEP 1 and SELL you must. Very often it immediately brings out the ridiculousness of the way the job is done. MAKE SURE THAT EVERY DETAIL IS LISTED.

Are you finished? No you're just getting started. Pick out several details and question them with the IDEA OF THE GROUP DEVELOPING AN IMPROVEMENT THAT THE DEMONSTRATOR DIDN'T FIND. THIS IS DONE BY THE USE OF THE PLAN, NOT FROM YOUR BACKGROUND OF EXPERIENCE.

Don't be an expert. It's dangerous!

If you are able to develop an improvement, your whole program is MADE. You are well on your way toward Objective #1 and Objective #2. You have demonstrated that there is nothing up your sleeve, that the plan works on any job, and to prove it here is a job you never saw before from their plant. What a job you can do from here in with this kind of handling.
Follow the manual for the use of ALL FOUR STEPS and then sum up the improvements on the board.

IF THIS TAKES THE WHOLE TWO HOURS, TAKE IT. It will pay dividends in the remaining three sessions.

If you have time for the second demonstration, fine, but don't force it. Make SURE the first is completed clearly and thoroughly.

If you do put on the second demonstration, repeat the procedure of handling the first demonstration.

Don't be an expert. It is dangerous!

You can see the logic of this technique. It is far better to have clear understanding and realization of the value of each step, than to have a startling improvement that confuses thinking of the group.

Allow ten minutes to cover the use and handing out of the proposal sheets. This is another important part of the plan. DON'T NEGLECT IT.

Then four volunteers for Session III, Review and Closing.

If you have carefully followed this plan you should have brought out:

1. A clear understanding of a detail and how to breakdown a job.
2. The importance of Step I in relation to the maximum improvement.
3. The realization of the members to demonstrate SMALL JOBS. (Many try in Session II to rearrange the plant and perform miracles. Drive for the small jobs to start. The larger ones may follow later.)

After you have completed Session II, sit down by yourself and analyze just what happened. Possibly you can improve your handling for subsequent groups, as well as the remaining sessions.
From here on you begin to roll IF you have capably handled Session II.
The group should have a pretty fair understanding of the 4-step Plan.
After the preliminaries of thanking the group for their interest, and
complimenting those who presented their demonstrations in Session II, ask everyone
to put their cards in their pockets.

Then develop the 4-step Plan on the blackboard by group participation.
Again plenty of "reasons why". Just another of the many opportunities to continue
to sell Objectives #1, and #2.

Follow the manual regarding the procedure to be followed during each
demonstration, and again list on the board the eight points, or refer to prepared chart. (As listed in Session II of Trainer's guide).

While referring to these eight points, stress the following interpretations for the demonstrator:

1. When reading the details of the breakdown, read only sufficient
details to make sure that they are details, and not steps.
   (Possibly 10 - 15 will suffice).
2. When explaining how Step II was used, question in detail only 3 or
   4 details and then read the balance of notes, as listed on the
   breakdown after applying the questions. (This is to save time and
   keep the demonstration from dragging by lengthy repetition).

You will find that this will give you an accurate picture of whether
the improvement was developed from the plan, or whether the breakdown was developed
from the improvement. (Believe it or not, this happens).

Follow the simple rules outlined in Session II while the demonstration
is in progress, as follows:

1. Ask if the "Improvement is a new idea".
2. Ask if the Present and Proposed Breakdowns are prepared.
   (If the answer to 1 and 2 are NO call on next volunteer)
3. Clear the blackboard and suggest sketches for clarification.
4. Take a seat in the back of the room.
5. Keep notes inconspicuously.
6. Allow no interruptions, unless absolutely necessary.
7. Take charge at the conclusion of the demonstration and have all
   questions and discussion ONLY when the demonstrator has resumed
   his seat at the table.

Your strategy of handling demonstrations from here on differs some-
what from Session II.

Compliment the good points as before. Then open the discussion for
questions and further improvements.

Then to the USE of the plan. (Objective #1)

If the breakdown shows steps, go to the board again and break down
a few steps into details, from the group. Request the demonstrator to rewrite
the breakdown for practice, and submit at the next session.

If the details are well listed, compliment the volunteer, and READ
several to give the group. (Another shot at the proper way to list the details).

Some trainers effectively ask, "Did the breakdown HELP YOU with this
improvement?" or "Could you have made as complete an improvement without a
breakdown?" The answer will be affirmative providing you have used judgment
in asking the question.

Ask for group reactions on the breakdown, directed toward the impor-
tance of Step I.

Now you must clarify Step II so bring out forcefully just what this
pattern is. If you want to do it effectively, list a few details on the board
and question them as a pattern. (If the details are on the board, use them).
Again bring out group participation and clarify any confused thinking.

Remember the TWO important points on questioning details.

1. Question ONLY the ACTION part of the detail.
2. Question each detail with all questions necessary before proceeding to the next detail.

Discuss Step III by group participation and how it was used.
Discuss Step IV by group participation.

Sum up the improvements on the board.

After the first demonstration, AGAIN REVIEW the use of Step II as directed in the manual.

Proceed with as many demonstrations as possible, always keeping in mind that we are driving for Objective #1, and #2 and any failure to use the plan, or any step, will be reflected in confused group thinking. Correct errors, continuing to repeat the reasons behind each step. In other words, CONTINUE TO SELL.

Allow ten minutes before the end to read Proposals and demonstrations in Session II. Encourage group comments.

Close the session following the manual.

Again, have a little mental chat with yourself. Pick out the weak points and eliminate them from your handling of demonstrations. Emphasize and smooth out the strong points. You will know. Use Methods Improvement on your own job.
SESSION IV

This is handled very similar to Session III. Since there has been additional practice and additional clarification, your job should become easier, if you have followed instructions.

This time, after the preliminaries, list on the board only the 4 main steps, although the development of these steps is practically the same as in previous sessions.

Follow the procedures outlined in Session III in presenting the demonstrations.

Follow the seven rules outlined for the trainer during the demonstration. (Listed in Session II and III)

In Session IV, Step III is stressed and clarified, but NOT at the expense of the other three steps.

Make sure that every bit of confusion is clarified. CONTINUE TO SELL THE PLAN.

Allow ten minutes at the end for the reading of proposals and closing.

FOLLOW THE MANUAL.

Have another chat with yourself on the results obtained. Remember the adage, "When we are through improving, we ARE THROUGH."
SESSION V

This session should be the icing on the cake. There may be a few wrinkles to iron out, so make sure that everything is clear.

Again follow the manual by reviewing the plan. Only the 4 main steps on the board, but plenty of discussion and "reasons why" in developing each.

Finish the remaining demonstrations, following the pattern outlined in Session III and IV. Use the same techniques and group discussion.

The main emphasis in Session V is Step IV, and this can be interestingly presented, for it means so much to the success of the program. It further helps considerably from a practical standpoint to emphasize the use of Methods Improvement as a Production Tool, and a continuing PROGRAM.

After the Proposals for demonstrations from Session IV and V have been read and constructively commented upon, spend 10 minutes on the old keystone, Job Instruction Training.

Have the group develop for you the 4 "Get Ready Points" AND the 4 MAIN STEPS of Job Instruction Training, and then emphasize how this program can be of value in making Job Methods a continuing production tool.

Follow the manual in closing.

Have the group leave, after the 10 hours with a sincere conviction that Job Methods Improvement is a sound program, based on sound principles, and really a tangible tool that will help each and every member. Emphasize that every supervisor is a link in the chain to help win the war, by the use of the methods principles every day on every job.

If possible close the session by having a plant executive outline what will be expected of the group in the future, and how management will cooperate.

You, Mr. Trainer, have an opportunity to be of great service to the war
effort, to the company who has placed these people in your hands, and to Training Within Industry.

Make the most of it.

Be proud of your performance and contribution.

TRAINING WITHIN INDUSTRY HAS CONFIDENCE IN YOU.