



The 60 Big Coaching Questions

Discovery: Exploration & learning

- 1. How can we make this conversation most useful to you?
- 2. When you are at your very best, what are you doing?
- 3. What excites you most about your future?
- 4. For what are you most grateful?
- 5. For what do you want to be known?
- 6. What can you do better than most everyone else?
- 7. Are you currently doing your best work?
- 8. Where have you achieved your greatest success?
- 9. On what do you waste your time and energy?
- 10. What are your most ambitious aspirations?
- 11. If you do not change, what is likely to happen?
- 12. What distractions are impeding your best work?
- 13. Who do you most frequently blame for your problems at work?
- 14. What is the most important unanswered question facing you right now?
- 15. What relationships are most important to you?
- 16. What talents do you know you have but are not using?
- 17. Whom do you serve?
- 18. What kind of person or leader do you want to be?
- 19. What did you do yesterday that is worth talking about today?
- 20. Is your best work ahead of you or behind you?

Creation: Possibilities & opportunities

- 21. What is the most exciting outcome you can imagine?
- 22. How can you do more of the work you love?
- 23. What will happen if you take your foot off the brake?
- 24. What is an entirely different way of looking at your situation?
- 25. How would others describe your performance and your potential?
- 26. To shift to a new level of performance, what skills and competencies do you need to master?
- 27. What would need to happen for you to feel powerful and in control?
- 28. What thoughts, attitudes and habits no longer serve you well?
- 29. What would you do if you had unlimited resources?
- 30. How can you use more of your natural talents every day?
- 31. What future do those who care about you most want for you?

- 32. What is the riskiest, scariest option?
- 33. What do you do very well, love to do, but no longer need to do?
- 34. If failure had minor consequences, what would you do?
- 35. In what ways can you shine a brighter light into the work and lives of others?
- 36. What would it take to shift your performance to a whole new level?
- 37. What is the most important thing you have learned about yourself recently?
- 38. How can you become more mindful of the people around you?
- 39. How can you have a more positive impact on those you care about most?
- 40. What will make you happy?

Commitment: Action & execution

- 41. What specific outcomes are you expecting?
- 42. How important are these outcomes to you and others?
- 43. What is the most potent first step you can take?
- 44. What milestones will you use to measure your progress?
- 45. What difficult conversation needs to happen?
- 46. Whose support is most valuable?
- 47. To whom will you be accountable?
- 48. What promises will you make to yourself and others?
- 49. What actions do you need to take but are avoiding?
- 50. What will you do when you encounter unexpected obstacles?
- 51. What one personal change will result in the biggest benefit?
- 52. What do you need to learn to accomplish your goal?
- 53. What are you prepared to invest, risk and sacrifice?
- 54. What short-term breakthroughs will energize your undertaking?
- 55. What new practices will you put in place to make sure the changes are enduring?
- 56. How can you get others eager to partner with you?
- 57. How will you know when you are on the new road?
- 58. What are your best sources of feedback to measure your progress?
- 59. What do you need to do so that you will have no regrets?
- 60. How will you celebrate your success?