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LEVEL 5 : PINNACLE (highest level)

Your influence transcends the task and the organization because of what you represent. You leave a mark wherever you go with the leaders you develop and inspire. This is an aspirational goal that requires a natural gift — think Mother Teresa, Martin Luther King Jr. or Abraham Lincoln — and a reminder that your journey never ends.



People follow you because your leadership has fundamentally changed their lives. You invest heavily in your team and help them become high-level leaders in their own right. Accountability, collaboration and performance skyrocket.

LEVEL 3: PRODUCTION

People follow you because of the results you've achieved. You **empower your followers to achieve** similar success. This is the intersection of influence and credibility, where you become a true change agent! You and your team tackle big challenges to break through to new heights.

LEVEL 2: PERMISSION

You're building trust and forming long-lasting relationships with your team. Now, they follow you by choice. People seek your advice and counsel.

LEVEL 1: POSITIONAL (entry-level leadership)

Your influence is **based solely on your role** or job title. People follow you because they must, but haven't necessarily placed their trust in you.



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Where to Begin? Start Here.

The first step on your journey as a leader is knowing your current place and accepting that you have room to grow. Here are **10 INSIGHTS** to help you consider your influence and how to get to the next level.

- Have you built on what you've learned? High levels of leadership are based on accumulated lessons.
- Would your followers agree with your ranking? You may be Level 3 with one person and Level 1 with another.
 Look at each individual relationship.
- · Do your followers have their own influence over others? Where are they in their own development?
- You won't achieve greatness by doing the minimum. Leveling up takes time and commitment. Are you willing to
 put in the hard work?
- · Will you lose trust if you don't hit goals? Your investment into your relationships should provide a safety net.
- Does your team have synergy? High levels of influence are like a championship run in the playoffs you'll
 reach a momentum with your team that can't be beat.
- Speed of the leader = speed of the pack. Growing skills and relationships is a choice. Are you intentional about it?
- Can you improve? Will you improve? People naturally follow those who are stronger than themselves.
- Leadership is not a destination. It's an ongoing process. You may need to level down to continue growing forward. Are you willing to rebuild with the lessons you've learned?
- You can't climb alone. Maxwell says: If you think you're leading, but no one else is following, you're only taking a walk. Are you empowering others to grow, too?

