# ENTREPRENEURSHIP

#### Entrepreneurs

- Entrepreneurs are \_\_\_\_\_that notice opportunities and take the \_\_\_\_\_to mobilize resources to make new goods and services.
- In Contrast
  - Intrapreneurs also notice opportunities and take initiative to mobilize resources, however they work in large companies and contribute to the innovation of the firm.
  - Intrapreneurs often become entrepreneurs.

#### **Small Business Owners**

### Advantages of a Small Business

- Greater \_\_\_\_\_\_ to get make more money
- Feel more important
- Feel more secure



## Disadvantages of a Small Business

- Lower guaranteed pay
- Fewer benefits
- Expected to have many skills
- Too much cohesion
- Hard to move to a \_\_\_\_\_
- Large fluctuations in

### Who are entrepreneurs?

- Common traits
  - Dialetalean
  - Risk takers
  - Take responsibility for own actions
  - Feel competent and capable
  - Set \_\_\_\_\_
     and enjoy working toward them

- Common traits
  - Self employed parents
  - Between
    - \_\_\_\_years old
  - Well educated 80% have college degree and 1/\_\_\_ have a graduate level degree

# Successful and Unsuccessful Entrepreneurs

- Successful
  - Creative and Innovative
  - Position themselves in shifting or new markets
  - Create\_
  - Create new processes
  - Create new delivery

Unsuccessful

# Characteristics of Entrepreneurs Key Personal Attributes Strong Managerial Competencies Good Technical Skills Characteristics of Entrepreneurs Successful Entrepreneurs

#### **Key Personal Attributes**

Entrepreneurs are N	Made,	Not Born!
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- Many of these \_\_\_\_\_are developed early in life, with the family environment playing an important role
- tend to have more entrepreneurial attributes because they receive more attention, have to forge their own way, thus creating higher self-confidence

# Key Personal Attributes (cont.)

- Entrepreneurial Careers
  - The idea that entrepreneurial success leads to more entrepreneurial activity may explain why many entrepreneurs start multiple companies over the course of their career
  - <u>Corridor Principle</u>- Using one business to start or acquire others and then repeating the process

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# Key Personal Attributes (cont.)

Need for Achievement

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- High achievers take responsibility for attaining their goals, set moderately difficult goals, and want immediate feedback on their performance
- Success is measured in terms of what those efforts have accomplished

# Key Personal Attributes (cont.)

- Desire for Independence
  - Entrepreneurs often seek independence from others
  - As a result, they generally aren't \_\_\_\_\_\_to perform well in large, bureaucratic organizations
  - Entrepreneurs have \_\_\_\_\_\_, are confident in their own abilities, and possess a great deal of self-respect

# Key Personal Attributes (cont.)

- Self-Confidence
  - Because of the high risks involved in running an entrepreneurial organization, having an "upbeat" and self-confident attitude is essential

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 Self-confidence enables that person to be optimistic in representing the firm to employees and customers alike

# Key Personal Attributes (cont.)

- Self-Sacrifice
  - Essential

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 Success has a high price, and entrepreneurs have to be willing to sacrifice certain things

#### **Technical Proficiency**

- \_\_\_\_\_
- For example, successful car dealers usually have lots of technical knowledge about selling and servicing automobiles before opening their dealerships
- Especially important in the computer industry
- NOT ALWAYS NECESSARY

#### **Planning**

■ <u>Business Plan</u> – A step-by-step outline of how an entrepreneur or the owner of an enterprise expects to turn ideas into reality.

	Questions To Keep In Mind	
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#### Motivations

Deciding what your motivations are will direct you toward what type of business fits you best.

- Types:
- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_

## 1. Lifestyle Venture

- Small company that provides its owner independence, autonomy, and control.
- Is often run out of household
- Provides flexibility (hours, meeting places, attire)
- Aligns your personal interests and hobbies with your desire to make a profit.

#### 2. Smaller Profit Venture

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
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- **\_\_\_\_\_**

#### 3. High Growth Ventures

- Goal is maximum profit and growth.
- Concentrated on pushing envelope and growing as large as possible.
- Focus on innovation

## Should you Start or Buy?

- Start cheapest, but very difficult
  - -requires \_\_\_\_\_planning/research
- Buy expensive may be out or reach
  - -requires \_\_\_\_\_ planning and research
- Franchise (middle ground) a business run by an individual (the franchisee) to whom a franchiser grants the right to market a certain good or service.

#### The Market???

- Planning & Research essential
- Extensive market surveys (family, friends, neighbors...)
- Magazines and Polls offer some information on the market -Businessweek, Harris Poll

#### What about the cost?

- Plan realistically, not optimistically
  - Don't overestimate your profits
  - Don't underestimate your costs
- Sources of Funds
  - Banks
  - Venture Capitalists filthy rich, high risk investors looking for a many-times-over yield
  - Angels seem to have altruistic motives and less stringent demands than venture capitalists

#### Domestic or Global?

- Drawbacks to Global more research and less accessible connections in startup phase, more travel time required, more considerations.
- Advantages to Global –

#### Entrepreneurship: Growth Pressures

Entrepreneurs often find that as their business **grows**, they feel more pressure to use methods to lead their organizations.

Although this \_\_\_\_\_ process may compromise some entrepreneurs spirit, it often leads to more \_\_\_\_\_, and greater\_\_\_\_.

Basically, it's a movement from a "seat-of-the-pants" operation to a more structured, legitimate and recognizable business.

## Entrepreneurship: Managing a Family Business

- So, why not dream up a plan and go into business with your family or friends?
- Approximately \_\_\_\_\_of all businesses in Canada are family-owned
- Family-owned businesses are responsible for about \_\_\_\_\_of Canada's GDP per year
- Many of Canada's largest and most well-known businesses are family-owned, including Bombardier and McCain Foods Limited
- Molson Coors is the oldest family business in Canada
- Only about \_\_\_\_\_of Canadian family businesses have a strong succession plan
- To keep the peace at the next family dinner, 88% of Canadian family businesses have a conflict-resolution strategy in place.

## Entrepreneurship: Managing a Family Business

Two reasons not to go into business with your family or friends....

Often, it involves money. So a business environment could potentially breed arguments, disagreements, and feuds.

Fighting can occur during early developmental stages when hours are long and pay is low. Or, after success has been achieved.

## Entrepreneurship: Managing a Family Business

Six steps to help lead you to a successful Family Business:

- Clear job \_\_\_\_\_
- Clear hiring criteria
- Clear plan for \_\_\_\_\_\_
- Agreement on whether and when to sell business
- Commitment to resolving \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
- Outside advisors are used to mediate conflicts.

Clarity is key.... but NO GUARANTEE.

## Entrepreneurship: Managing a Family Business

Operational vs. Survival Issues....

Operational = Decisions about the economics of the business and how to balance that with rational and family obligation criteria.

**THINK:** Day-to-day grind.

Survival = Develop out of a lack of attention on the operational issues within the business.

**THINK:** Festering problems; ultimately compromise livelihood.

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