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To Whom It May Concern:

I highly recommend Darren Murphy & his workshop on "Creative Thinking." It is one of the most exciting, practical, & fun workshops I have ever had the joy of attending. As a retired education consultant with the TN Department of Education (23 years), believe me, when I say I have attended many & have been responsible for many.

Use of both low tech methods coupled with active skills practice makes a much more memorable learning experience than simple use of a Power Point lecture. (Whole body learning!) It is also quite "transportable" to locations that are not technology friendly.

The first practice exercise he used to draw his audience into active application shows powerfully the value of proper brain-storming techniques & the value of many minds focusing on solving a particular problem (versus only one mind, no matter how brilliant.) Divergent thinking skills followed by convergent techniques were modelled to illustrate how practical action steps can be identified.

As a presenter, Darren Murphy is knowledgeable, enthusiastic, organized, generous, & available to the students.

Many types of audiences & individuals can benefit from such an interesting, fast-paced program, filled with practice opportunities. Business leaders & employees, health & education people, church leaders, non-profit staff & volunteer coordinators can improve results from applying the research & techniques offered by Mr. Murphy. I attended as a representative from a church committee charged with developing a strong ministry for older adults in a faith-based setting. I think our church elders & committee chairpersons would enjoy & benefit from attending such a workshop.

Sincerely, 

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