

START YOUR JOURNEY WITH VALUE STREAM MAPPING

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SAVE TIME, ENERGY, AND RESOURCES ON YOUR JOURNEY WITH VALUE STREAM MAPPING!

Value stream mapping (VSM) is like creating a detailed map of your quest. It helps you visualize and analyze the journey, from gathering your resources to defeating your potential foes. By mapping out every step, you can identify and eliminate unnecessary detours and obstacles, streamline your path, and improve your chances of success.

HOW VALUE STREAM MAPPING WORKS:

- 1. Form a cross-functional team.** This team should include representatives from different departments and may include suppliers.
- 2. Define the scope of the value stream map.** This step involves determining which processes and areas will be included in the map.
- 3. Create a current state map.** This map should document the current state of the value stream, including all the steps involved in the process.
- 4. Identify areas of waste.** Once the current state map is complete, the team can begin to identify areas where waste can be reduced or eliminated.
- 5. Create a future state map.** This map should show the desired future state of the value stream, with all the improvements in place.
- 6. Develop a plan to implement the future state map.** This plan should include specific actions, timelines, and responsibilities.

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5 WAYS TO LEARN MORE!

- 1. Explore the fundamentals:** Start with this overview of VSM and the essential tools used in every step of the process.
- 2. Read essential articles:** Dive into these key readings to get a solid understanding:
 - o [Lean Lessons: Introduction to VSM](#)
 - o [Value-Stream Maps Vs Process Maps](#)
 - o [The Right Lean Tool for the Job](#)
- 3. Watch and learn:** Enhance your learning with an in-depth webinar walkthrough on Value Stream Mapping.
- 4. Practice with a template:** Apply what you've learned by downloading and using this free Lean VSM Data Template.
- 5. Listen and learn:** Tune into this podcast for a real-world example of VSM.

ASQ also offers a very popular interactive, self-paced e-learning course, "Lean Essentials" that steps you through the lean process and the five core lean tools, including VSM!

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