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PLANNING AHEAD

It's Sunday evening and you're arriving at the airport international terminal 3 hours prior to departure. Your trip is going to be part business and part pleasure as you and your spouse think about the two weeks you're about to spend in Europe. You'll be visiting Paris, London, Madrid, Berlin and Rome during your trip. You have planned this trip for nearly three months and you're sure everything is in order.

You have planned ahead. Tickets, passports, medical and life directives, train passes for the Euro Rail, lodging, credit and debit cards, itinerary, clothes for both formal and casual needs as well as weather changes. You arranged for your house to be checked on, automatic light actuators, security arrangements, even a neighbor to water the plants once per week if needed. Is there anything you might have left out? How can you be sure? Having a nagging concern that you can't recall closing the garage door at 37,000 feet over the Atlantic Ocean is not good for your happy mood. But what about the plane you're about to board? Who is in charge of that mega machine? How many moving parts are there? How many people are needed to make the flight safe, reliable and on time? Is there enough fuel? Do they have enough cocktails?



It's easy to overlook minor and sometimes more important details when planning major events. This is true for new product roll outs, management awards ceremonies, sales acknowledgement and training conferences and all the other events that make up your life, both personal professional. I've been a pilot for the past 40 years and have grown accustomed to using check lists before getting into any aircraft. This practice has come in handy for many other activities as well.

Take the New Year just around the corner as one example. Because of the three Monday Motivator editions on GOALS published in 2016 we had many requests for more of that sort of focus. Since the balance of the year is devoted to revisiting old topics, this edition is devoted to PLANNING. Do you need a checklist for everything you do? Not really, but one of the habits of successful people is planning ahead and that requires making lists of considerations ahead of time so you are prepared.

Why not print this page and fill in the blanks below to give you a head start?

WHAT I WANT FOR 2017		
CAREER	1.	
	2.	
	3.	
HEALTH	1.	
	2.	
	3.	
MONEY	1.	
	2.	
	3.	
RELATIONSHIPS	1.	
	2.	
	3.	
COMMUNITY	1.	
	2.	
	3.	

Just thinking about what you want for the coming year does not have to be complicated. If you can name just three wishes for each of these five categories shown, you'll be ahead of 85% of the people. The category of COMMUNITY can include your faith, neighborhood, city, state or even federal government. Planning ahead takes into account what you need to do in order to succeed. You can add more detail about each answer you write down in the table above, but only after you have written the answers down.

Now let's go back to that plane you are about to board. Would you like to know what the pilots have to consider before they fly this 750,000 pound behemoth into the air all the way up to 37,000 feet? On the next page I have pasted an actual 747 checklist for your review. As you look at it, try to imagine if just one of these checklist items did NOT get done? Would you be okay with that? Since your life is your flight and you are the Capitan I bet you want each item checked.

SEABOARD	[
WORLD AIRLINES	BEFORE TAXI	
	START ARM SWITCHOFF	18,000 FT/OR/TRANSITION LEV
747F 747F	ELECTRICAL POWER	ALTIMETERS
NORMAL OPERATING CHECKLIST	HYDRAULICSAUTO/NORMAL/QTY CKD SEAT BELTS & SHLDR HARNESSON	LANDING DATALANDING & LOGO LIGHTS
BEFORE STARTING	GEAR & NOSE STEER PINSREMOVED/CKD GROUND EQUIPMENTDISCONNECT/CLEAR	APPROACH
INS3 CKD/ALIGN	GROOND EQUIPMENTDISCONNECT/CLEAR	FLAPS / GREEN
02 & INTERPHONE ON 100% CKD/BOOM STATIC SOURCE SEL NORMAL	TAXI CHECK	ADF/VOR SWITCHES
ANTI-SKIDON	NACELLE ANTI-ICESET FLAPS / GREEN LIGHTS/DETENT	NACELLE ANTI-ICE
BODY GEAR STEERING ARM AUTO BRAKE LDG-OFF	CONTROLS / GREEN LIGHTS/DETENT	FUEL SYS MAIN BOOST NO SMOKE
COMPASS CONTROLLERS	STAB & TRIM	
EMERGENCY LIGHTSARMED	TAKE OFF DATA	BEFORE LANDING
SEAT BELT, NO SMOKE	FIT & NAV INSTRUMENTS Y.CKD/SET	LANDING GEARDOWN
ALT FLAPSOFF	ALTITUDE SELECT	AUTO BRAKE
STALL WARNING TEST/NORMAL	CARGO HEATNORMAL	SPEED BRAKE
MACH A/STEST	FUEL HEAT OFF	FLAPS
NACELLE & WING ANTI-ICEOFF		FLAG SCAN OM-500'
PROBE HEAT	FUEL SYSSET/MAIN BOOST PUMPS ON	
EXTERIOR LIGHTS	IGNITIONFLT START ANNUNCIATOR LIGHTSCKD	AFTER LANDING
RADIO INS SWITCH	AIR CONDSET	BODY GEAR STEERING
NAV RADIOS/AUTO FLT PANELCKD/SET		SPEED BRAKE
• GROUND PROXTEST	BEFORE TAKE OFF	LDG LTS & STROBE LIGHTS
FLT MODE ANNUNCIATORSTEST	LANDING & STROBE LIGHTSON	IGNITION
FLT INSTR/FLT DIR/ALTSCKD/TEST/SET	TRANSPONDERON	RADAR & TRANSPONDER
RADIO ALTTEST RESERVE BRAKECKD/CLOSED	AUTO BRAKEARM	STABILIZER TRIM
LDG GEAR	BODY GEAR DISARM	ANTI-SKID GROUND MODE
SPEED BRAKE	CLIMB	UPPER DECK & CARGO HEAT
THROTTLES/START LEVERS CLOSED/CUTOFF	LANDING GEAR	FIRE WARNING
PARK BRAKE SET/PRESS CKD	LANDING GEARUP & OFF	APU
 SELCAL/RADAR & TRANSPONDERSET/STBY 	PROBE HEATON	PARKING
ELECTRICAL PANELSET	NO SMOKEOFF	PARKING BRAKE
OIL QUANTITYNORMAL	IGNITION	APU OR EXTERNAL POWER
FUEL OTY/GROSS WTLBS/SET FIRE WARNINGTEST	AIR CONDSET	START LEVERS
• WT & BALANCELBS/%	TRANSITION LEVEL CHECK/OR/18.000 FT	SEAT BELT
ANTI SKID GROUND MODETEST	LOGO & LANDING LTSOFF/10,000	PROBE HEAT/WINDOW HEAT EXTERIOR LIGHTS
FLT RECORDERTEST/SET	ALTIMETERSRESET	EMERGENCY EXIT LIGHTS
		INS
PRIOR TO PUSH BACK/START	DESCENT	HYDRAULIC AIR PUMPS
• INS	IGNITION	WT & BAL POWER SW
BEACON	SEATBELTS/SHLDR HARNESS & SIGNON	FIJEL RESERVE VALVES
 HYDRAULICS#1 ADP/#4 ELEC PUMP ON 	FLT MODE ANNUNCIATORSTEST GROUND PROXTEST	STANDBY POWER SWITCH
DOORSCKD/LTS OUT	RADIO ALTTEST/2000	RADIO MASTERS
EVAC SLIDES LATCHED & AUTO	RADIO INS SWITCH RADIO	FOR TERMINATING FLIG
FUEL BOOST PUMPSON	PRESSURIZATIONSET	OXYGEN VALVE
REQUIRED AT TRANSIT STATIONS	HYDRAULIC SYSTEMSCKD/NORMAL FUEL MANAGEMENTSET FOR LANDING	BATTERY
	FOEL MANAGEMENT	DATIENT

The only activity not shown here is the starting of the engines. That happens at the end of the push back / start list.

That's it for this edition of The Monday Motivator. Our circulation is 7,600 as of Nov. 2016. If you would like to have this content under you company banner, logo or other header we have a plan for that. Also if you would like

to have your company showcased to our audience we have a plan for that as well. If you want a newsletter custom written only for your company, call me.

Until next time I'm Will Robertson, Speaker, Trainer and Management Coach sending you good wishes for performance excellence.

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