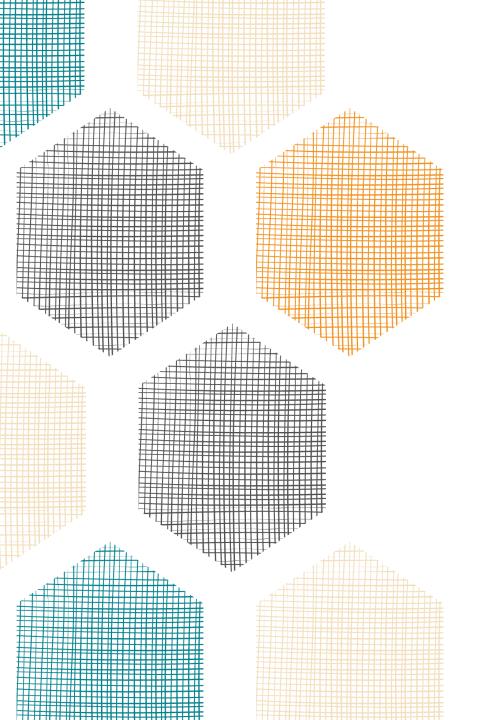




MY GRANDMA ALWAYS SAID,
"YOU CAN CATCH MORE
FLIES WITH HONEY THAN
WITH VINEGAR."





#### THE SOLUTION

Make it easier for the SME to partner with you.

# SWEETEN THE DEAL



Process



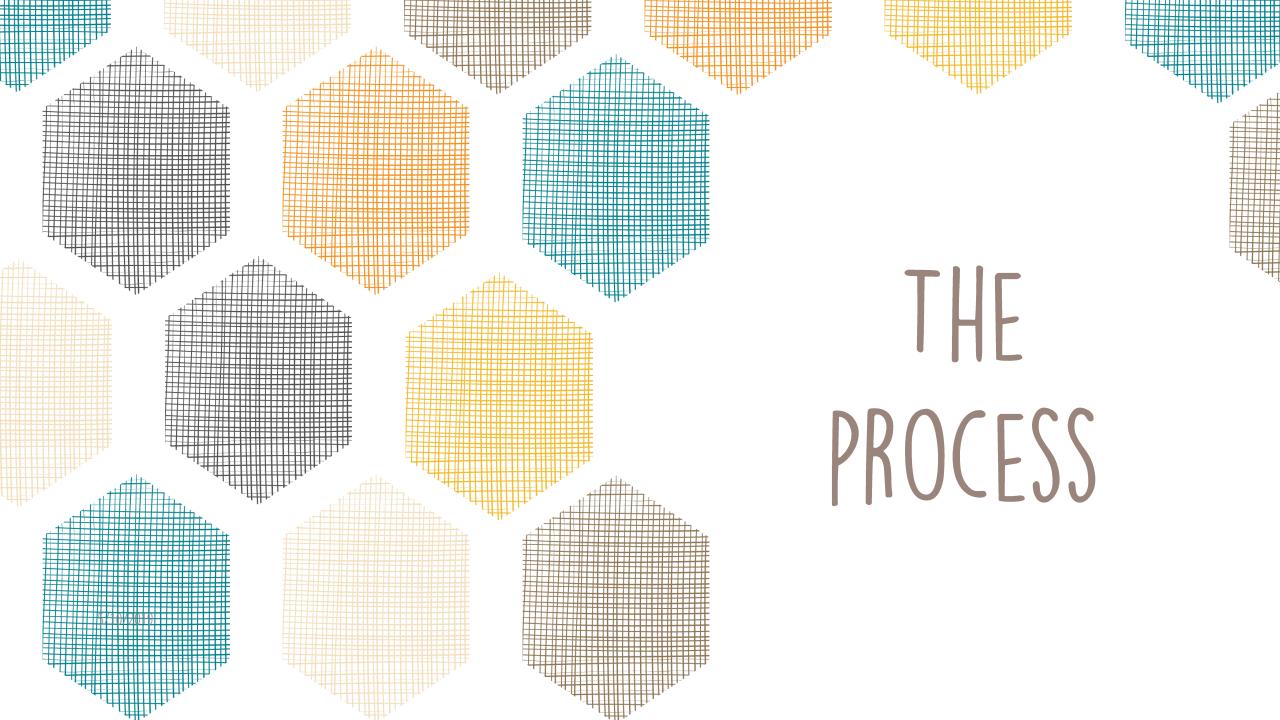
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Approach







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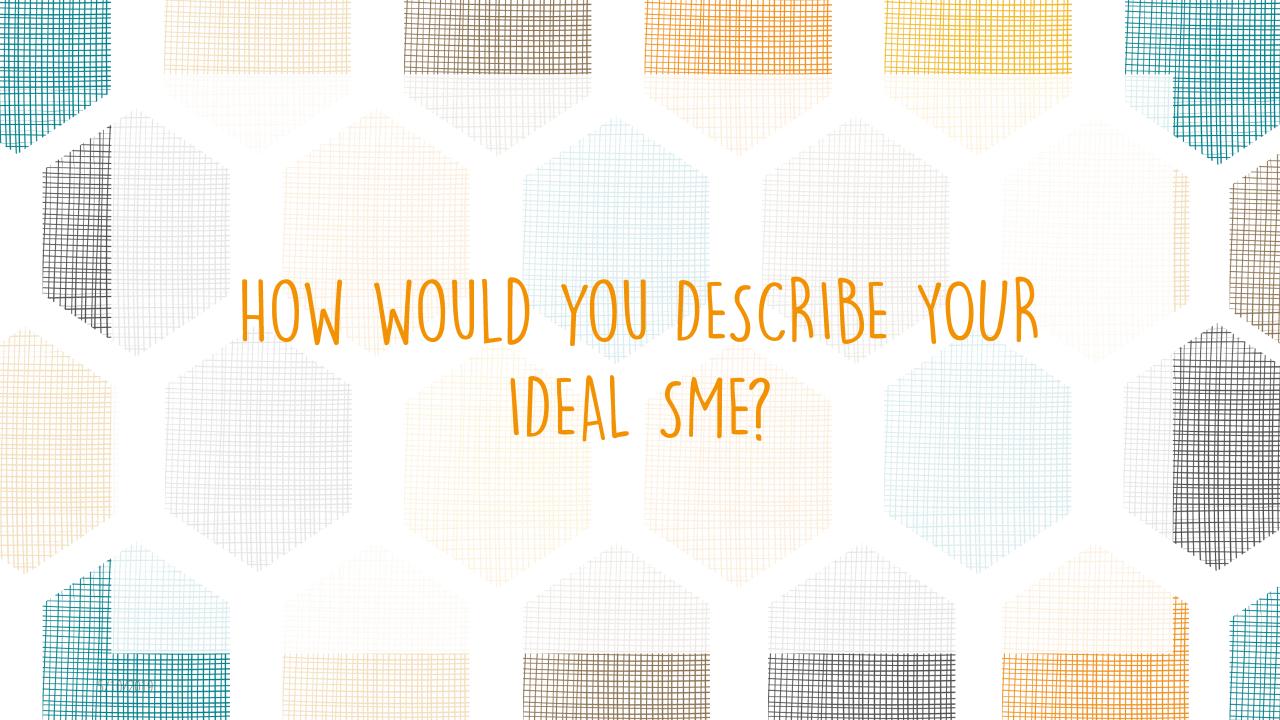
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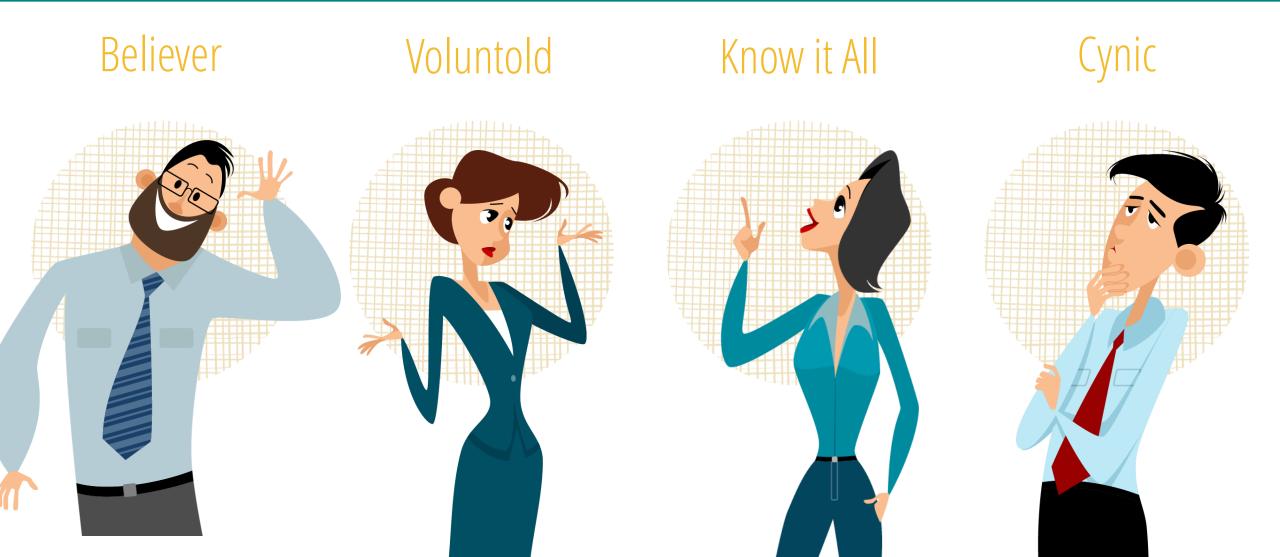
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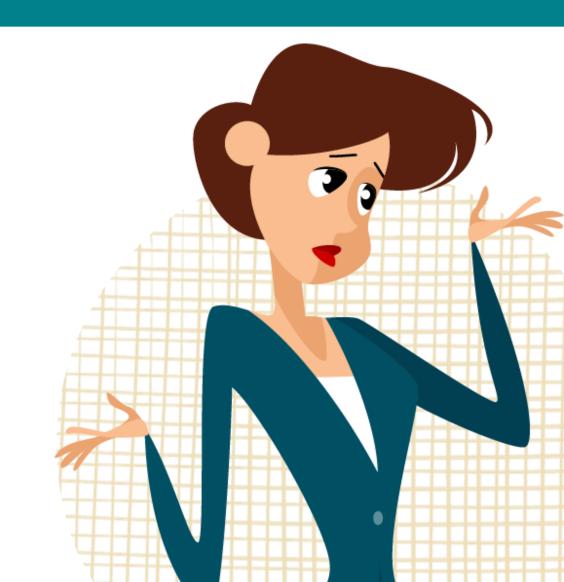
#### FOUR TYPES OF SMES — THE BELIEVER

"I understand how important training is. I will provide you with whatever information I have and will respond to your emails as quickly as I can."



#### FOUR TYPES OF SMES — THE VOLUNTOLD

"I'm not sure why I'm even a part of this project or this team. I have way too much work already. What am I doing here?"



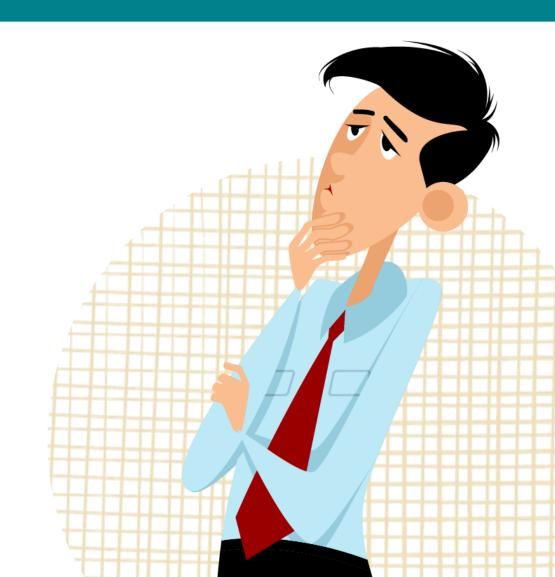
#### FOUR TYPES OF SMES — KNOW IT ALL

"I don't know why they didn't just put me in charge of this project. I could do this in my sleep! By the way, EVERYTHING must be included from this 2,000-page manual."



#### FOUR TYPES OF SMES — CYNIC

"Training is never the solution; I don't know why we are wasting our time on this. I've already built a PowerPoint on this topic and no changes are needed. You can email me, but I can't promise I'll be able to get back to you."



#### MY IDEAL SME

#### **EXPERTISE**

Best practice of knowledge, facts, and processes

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Job-task knowledge gained through hands-on experience

#### **INFLUENCE**

Ability to make content-related decisions that stick

#### **INTEREST**

Have a desire for the project to be successful

#### THE PROCESS — GATHERING THE TEAM

- Identify SMEs as early as possible.
- Help your stakeholder to identify the best type of SME using the four characteristics needed: Expertise, Experience, Influence & Interest.
- Don't only identify your SMEs, identify EVERYONE who will need to review your project.

#### THE PROCESS — WELCOME THEM TO THE TEAM

To: SMEs

**From:** Awesome ID or Project Manager Who Cares **Subject:** Welcome to the [Insert Project Name] Team!

Hello Everyone,

If you are receiving this email, you have been identified as a key subject matter expert for the [insert project name here] project. This means that your input about this topic, the audience, and our company is critical to the success of this project.

Soon you will receive a meeting invite from [insert name] for our project kick-off meeting where we will discuss project goals, expectations, and timeframe.

We know that you are all very busy with your daily responsibilities, and we are grateful for your partnership and valuable input.

If you have any questions or concerns before the kick-off meeting, please let us know.

Welcome to the team! We look forward to working with you.





#### THE AGENDA

**Introductions** 

Where are we now?

Where do we want to go?

How are we getting there?

Wrap-up



- Leader does introduction to project, business need, and your role.
- If the team has not worked together before, round robin.
  - Name, Role
  - Their experience with this topic
  - Fun fact or icebreaker of some sort



- Review the current status.
  - The current business problem
  - The audience

Introductions

• What resources / training materials are currently being used (if any) for this issue



- Provide an overview of the project and get their buy-in and support.
  - Success criteria for the project
  - Current design assumptions (modalities, length of time, ideas on learning objectives, etc.)
  - Technology considerations (hosting, how training will be accessed, if training will be tracked, should audio be included, etc.)



Introductions

- Overview of the project process
- Project team roles and responsibilities



#### Overview of the project process

	Analyze  Defining what is to be learned	<b>D</b> esign Specifying how it is to be learned	Develop  Authoring and Producing training  materials	mplement  Launching the training	Evaluate  Measuring the effectiveness of the training
Instructional Designer	<ul> <li>Identifies scope</li> <li>Needs Assessment</li> <li>Audience Analysis</li> <li>Sets learning objectives</li> <li>Assesses existing documentation and materials</li> <li>Identifies training concept</li> <li>Project plan</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maps existing content to knowledge and skill gaps</li> <li>Creates design document</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Creates storyboards, script, and draft courseware (Alpha and Beta)</li> <li>Based on feedback, revise and finalize all deliverables</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Updates deliverables with final project team and pilot team feedback</li> <li>Provides final Gold deliverables</li> </ul>	Provides analysis and recommendations based on evaluation and usage data collected
Project Team	<ul> <li>Provides:</li> <li>Information about current state and future goals</li> <li>Supplies existing content – PPTs, Policies, Subject Matter Expertise</li> <li>Reviews and provides feedback on training concept</li> <li>Reviews and approves project plan</li> </ul>	Reviews, provides feedback and approves:  Training topic outline Storyboard Script  Attends team project meetings	<ul> <li>Reviews and provides feedback for Alpha (60 – 70% complete)</li> <li>Loads Beta (90-95% complete) to LMS</li> <li>Tests Beta with key team members (pilot group) for access and understanding</li> <li>Provides feedback to ID</li> <li>Attends team project meetings</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Develops internal roll-out plan</li> <li>Loads Gold (100% finished)</li> </ul>	Provides input into revision recommendations

#### Project team roles & responsibilities

Project Role	Responsibilities
Subject Matter Expert	<ul> <li>Attends regular meetings</li> <li>Partners with ID to incorporate critical knowledge expertise into course</li> <li>Reviews deliverables and provides feedback</li> </ul>
Project Advisor	<ul> <li>Attends regular meetings</li> <li>Reviews deliverables and provides feedback</li> <li>Coordinates with LMS admins for loading of training</li> </ul>
High-Level Key Stakeholders	<ul> <li>Part of final review team for deliverables</li> <li>Provides support on as-needed basis</li> </ul>
Testers	Reviews and provides feedback on Beta version of the training
Project Manager & Lead Instructional Designer	<ul> <li>Manages project and deliverable deadlines</li> <li>Facilitates project team meetings</li> <li>Designer and developer</li> </ul>
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- How we will work together:
  - Status Update Meetings (frequency, who should attend, & best days/times)
  - How we will be sharing files
  - Preferred methods of communication (phone, email, skype, meeting, etc.)
  - Dates to avoid

Introductions



- Wrap-up
  - Recap what next steps will be
  - Remind them of next meeting date or to keep an eye out for invite
  - Thank them!
- Follow-up:
  - Send the project timeline and get feedback
  - Schedule all your upcoming meetings. (30 mins for status update & 90 minutes for review meetings.)

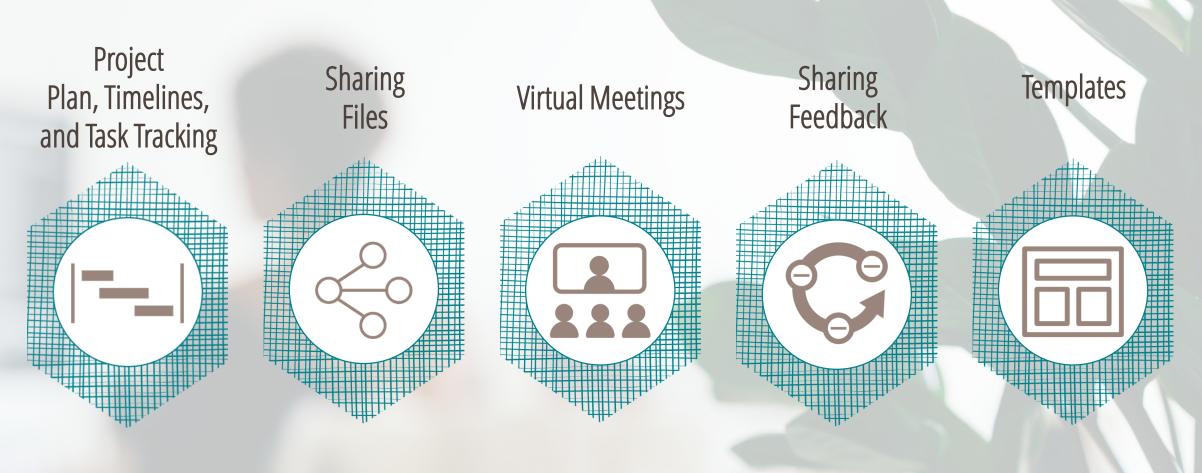
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### THE TOOLS



WHAT TOOLS DO YOU USE? LET'S DISCUSS.

### PROJECT PLANS, TIMELINES, AND TASK TRACKING

#### Project Plans (What are we doing):

- eLearning Project Plan <u>Tim Slade</u>
- eLearning Heroes for Project Plans and more

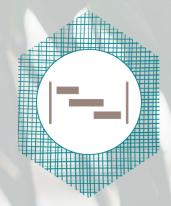
#### Timelines (How are we doing it, Who, When):

- eLearning Project Timeline (Schedule) <u>Tim Slade</u>
- Microsoft Office Timeline

#### Task Tracking (Manage Your Tasks):

- Trello
- Freedcamp

More software for free project management



#### SHARING FILES

Name	Features
Dropbox	<ul> <li>Can be used for sharing or storage</li> <li>Free account storage space: 2GB</li> <li>No file expiration</li> <li>Works across most computers, phones, tablets.</li> <li>File recovery and version history</li> <li>Easy to share folders or individual files</li> </ul>
Hightail	<ul> <li>Free account storage space: 100MB</li> <li>File expiration 7 days</li> <li>File size limit 2GB</li> </ul>
WeTransfer	<ul><li>No registration</li><li>Send up to 2GB, no strings attached</li></ul>

TIP: Have a set naming convention in place for version control. Ex: Title of Training\_V1\_05.09.19



### VIRTUAL MEETINGS

Name	Features
Uberconference	<ul> <li>Up to 10 participants per call</li> <li>Call recording</li> <li>International conference #s</li> <li>Will notify you when someone has joined before you are dialed in</li> <li>Screen sharing on both sides</li> <li>Unlimited # of conference calls per month</li> <li>Does not play well with Safari</li> </ul>
Zoom	<ul> <li>Hosts up to 100 participants per call</li> <li>Call recording</li> <li>Unlimited 1:1 meetings</li> <li>40 mins limit on group meetings</li> <li>Screen sharing on both sides</li> <li>Great outlook plugin</li> <li>Plays well with Mac, Windows, Linux, iOS, and Android</li> </ul>

TIP: If meeting virtually, have video meetings wherever possible.

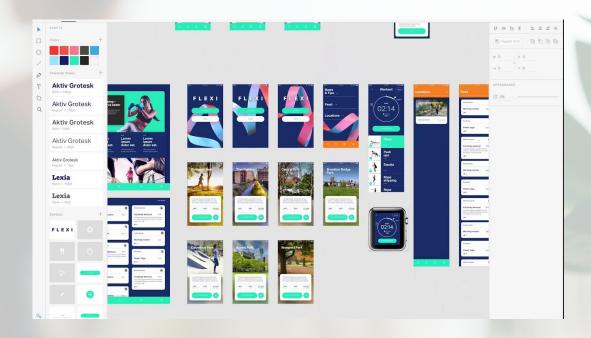


### REVIEWS AND SHARING FEEDBACK



## REVIEWS AND SHARING FEEDBACK — STORYBOARDS

- MS Word / PPT User comments and tracking
- Dropbox comments
- Adobe XD





#### REVIEWS AND SHARING FEEDBACK — ELEARNING

- Articulate Review
- Adobe Captivate Reviewer
- Review my eLearning
- ScormCloud
- Send an email with a word template they can use to gather their feedback

#### Check out more here



### TEMPLATES

- Power Point templates for meetings
  - Kick-off
  - Status updates (ID Update/Questions, Task for this meeting, Next Steps)
  - Project Conclusion (Start, Stop, Continue)
- Communication Templates & Templates for Reviews
  - Template for introduction email
  - Template for each review email (Storyboard, Alpha, Beta, Gold)
  - Templates for gathering feedback









### THE APPROACH— MAKE IT EASY DURING MEETINGS

- Record the meeting
- Include an agenda/goals for each meeting
- Capture takeaway items for each team member and review them at the end of the meeting
- Remind the team what is coming up next
- Send a follow-up email

#### THE APPROACH— MAKE IT EASY DURING REVIEWS

- Provide clear instructions and a critique sheet for reviews
- Give them an estimate of how long it may take
- Remind them of due dates
- Request things as soon as possible and be realistic about turnaround time
- Check in on the due date and ask if they need more time
- Let them know the impact if feedback or items are delayed

### THE APPROACH— BE KIND

- Be genuinely interested in who they are and what they do
- Start meetings with non-work-related discussions
- Actively listen
- Give them credit and thank them often

#### THE APPROACH— BE KIND

#### Thank You Ideas

- Handwritten thank you note
- Recognition
  - Praise in meetings and over emails
  - Send an email to their boss praising them and cc them
  - Use employee recognition programs
  - Write a recommendation on LinkedIn
- A thoughtful Gift:
  - Coffee, book, sweets, flowers, gift card (for a favorite item), bonus, etc.

## THE APPROACH— BE KIND

#### Need additional thank you ideas?















Teachers Pay Teachers



101 Ways to Say Thank You



Vintage Typewriter Favor Boxes



Free Printable Thank You Cards for Kids to Color...







Music Note Button Art Thank You Card, Rustic Thank...

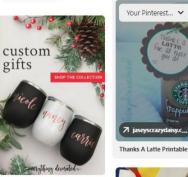




YOU'RE A LIFESAVER thanks for all you do!



You're a LIFESAVER—Thanks For All You Do! Fun...











25 Creative & Unique Thank





• 55 minutes



41 Ideas for Cute Ways to Sa







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