Seven Leadership Myths

Myth #1—The Position Myth
I can’t lead if I am not at the top.

Myth #2—The Destination Myth
When I get to the top, then I’ll learn to lead.

Myth #3—The Influence Myth
If I were on top, then people would follow me.

Myth #4—The Inexperience Myth
When I get to the top, I’ll be in control.

Myth #5—The Freedom Myth
When I get to the top, I’ll no longer be limited.

Myth #6—The Potential Myth
I can’t reach my potential if I’m not the top leader.

Myth #7—The All-or-Nothing Myth
If I can’t get to the top, then I won’t try to lead.

Seven Leadership Challenges

Challenge #1—The Tension Challenge
The Pressure of Being Caught in the Middle

Challenge #2—The Frustration Challenge
Following an Ineffective Leader

Challenge #3—The Multi-Hat Challenge
One Head…Many Hats

Challenge #4—The Ego Challenge
You’re Often Hidden in the Middle

Challenge #5—The Fulfillment Challenge
Leaders Like the Front More Than the Middle

Challenge #6—The Vision Challenge
Championing the Vision Is More Difficult When You Didn’t Create It

Challenge #7—The Influence Challenge
Leading Others Beyond Your Position Is Not Easy