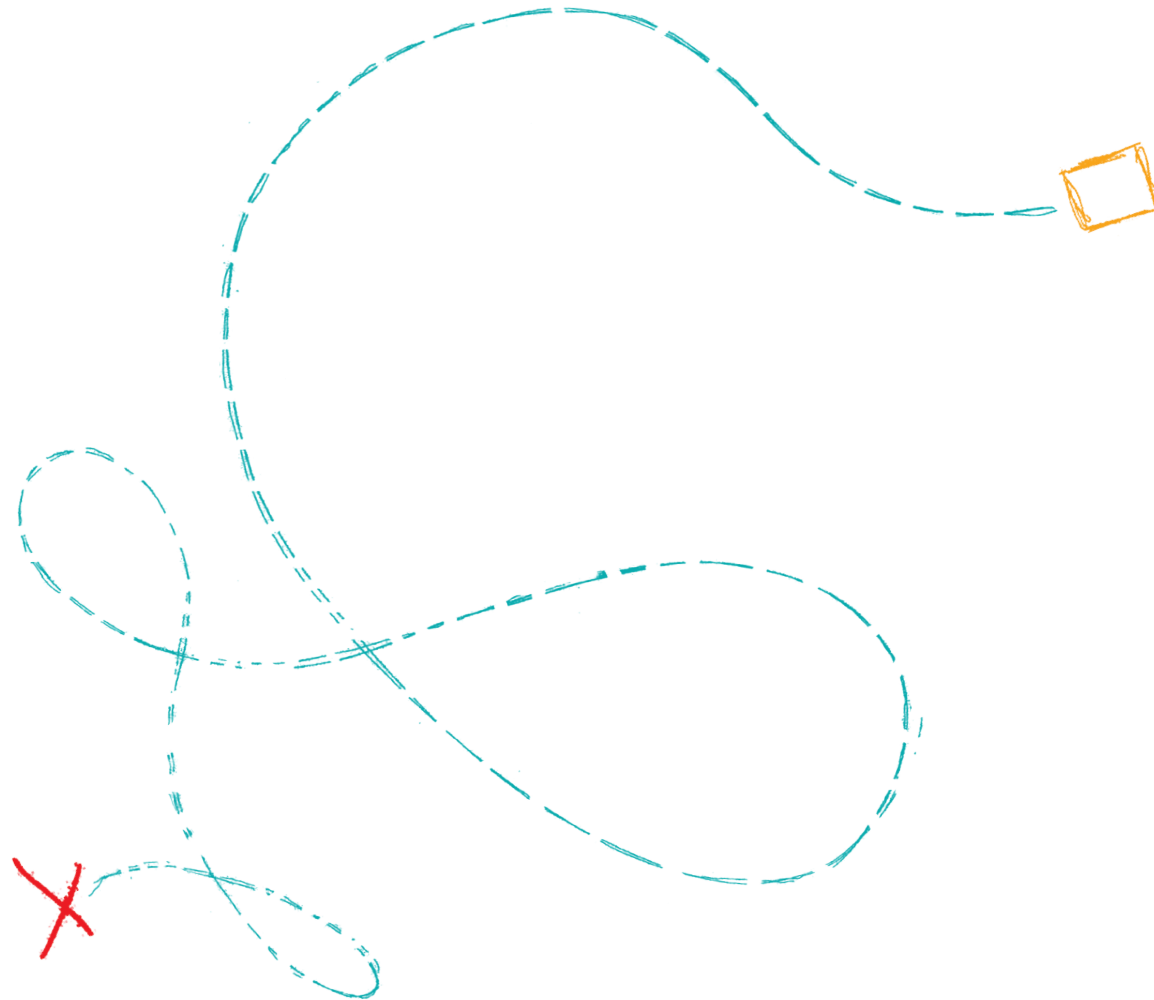


Now It's Clear

The Career You Own



Your Career Network

"It takes courage to grow up and become who you really are."

—e.e. cummings



Exercise

1 Look back on the roles you listed last month, search through your network and connect with someone doing that role.

Think about how you would prepare for that conversation – what questions would you ask?

Create a list of questions.

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Send an invitation to the person you want to interview.

2 Think of your career as a project. On the next page, create network of advisors for your career. Put yourself in the middle of the map, start to draw connections of support. Consider the following roles:

1) **Someone in your Future Role** – the person doing a role you would like to do

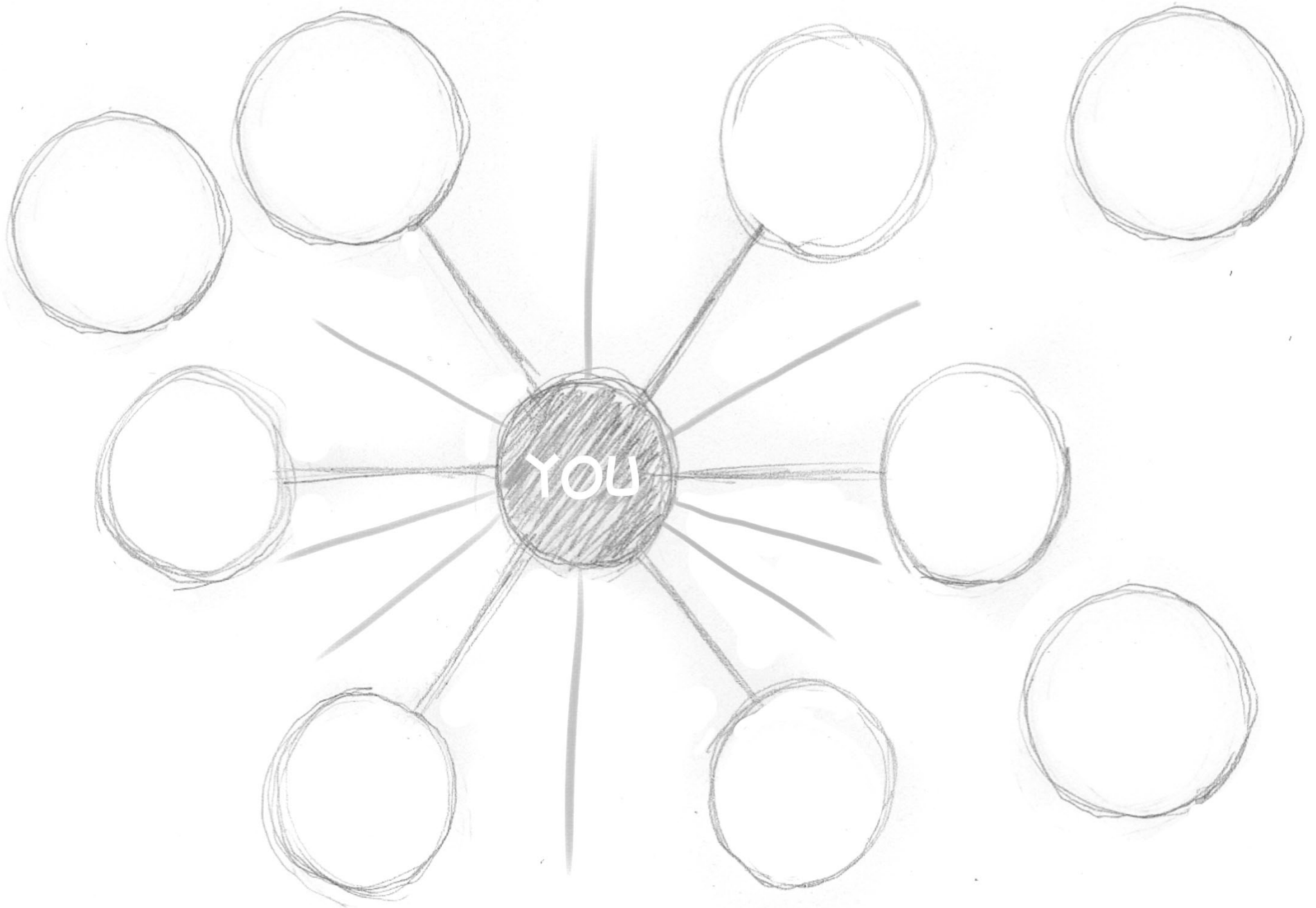
2) **An informal Mentor** – the person asking you challenging questions

3) **Savvy Advisor** – someone who knows how to navigate informal networks at work

4) **Energy and Well-being** – someone who energizes you and offers balance

5) **Career Coach** – someone who offers sound career advice

Your Network Map





Take a step back and review your network map.

1. What are the strengths of your network?

2. Who's missing?

3. Who would you like to add to your network?

4. How will you do that?

5. What insights did you gain from drawing this map?

Goal Check-in

Where are you on your goals?

Things I will start doing
(purpose, health, wealth)

Things I will stop doing

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NOTES

Don't Quit

by Edgar A. Guest

*When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all uphill,
When the funds are low but the debts are high,
And you want to smile but you have to sigh,
When care is pressing you down a bit...
Rest if you must, but don't you quit!*

*Life is queer with its twists and turns,
As every one of us sometimes learns,
And many failures turn about
When we might have won had we stuck it out.
Don't give up though the pace seems slow...
You may succeed with another blow.*

*Often the struggler has given up
When he might have captured the victor's cup;
And he learned too late when the night came down,
How close he was to the golden crown.*

*Success is failure turned inside out...
And you can never tell how close you are
It may be near when it seems so far.
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit
It's when things seem worst that you must not quit.*