



## Inspired Impressions! Ezine

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As an inspirational speaker, captivating author and successful consultant, Tracy Butz engages individuals and organizations with actionable tools, empowering them to live more productive, passionate and purposeful lives.

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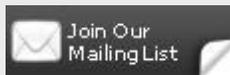
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Key Concept

K.E.Y. = Knowledge Empowers You

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### Welcome!

#### Welcome to Inspired Impressions!

It's an informational monthly Ezine, with each issue designed for you, including:

- Personal insights and inspiration
- A relevant key concept
- Interesting business news to share
- Upcoming opportunities to connect
- Inspirational products designed for you



### Insights & Inspiration



#### When You Choose, Do You *Take the Plunge?*

I know what you are thinking when you read the above title. It likely has something to do with taking a really big risk, right? Wrong! Instead, it has more to do with just getting to it--to make a decision--and to stop procrastinating.

When my husband and I went on a beautiful vacation a couple of years ago, we bought an excursion package that included zip-lining, rappelling, and cave diving. I could tell you interesting and vivid stories about each one, but this specific piece deals

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with the latter--cave diving. To this day, I still beat my head against the wall and ask myself, "What was I thinking?"

I do not like to be cold...yet I chose to pay a healthy sum of money to explore a frigid, dark, and mostly underwater cave. As I approached the entrance with only a swim suit (no wet suit), I had a choice in front of me. Do I just get the pain over by quickly jumping in or do I take small, tiny steps, allowing my body to hopefully adjust slowly to the icy cold temperature?

I made the wrong choice. I tip-toed into it until the guide said, "Hey, you are holding up the line!" And I sternly replied, "I am doing the best I can!" I should have just plunged right in and not thought too much about it. Instead, I was consumed with the glacial feel and even began pondering what was in the water that I couldn't see? In addition to not liking the cold, I also don't like creepy-crawly's. And I'm sure there were plenty of unseen critters lurking around me. Yikes! I get the willies today just thinking about that "adventure."

As I reflect back on that experience, though, being decisive is really important. Making the best decisions possible with the information we have available to us, helps us to charter the waters and usually navigate down the right stream. We can't hem and haw and not choose to take any action.

Whether in your work life or your personal life, analyze the options in front of you and then *take the plunge*. After all, indecision is also a decision, one that usually doesn't bode well for most of us.

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## Key Concept



### 10 Words People Who Lack Confidence Always

*by John Brandon*

Want to avoid giving the impression you lack confidence and authority? Avoid these words. [Click here to read article!](#)

## A K.E.Y. Learning Point to Share



### Why We Fight At Work,

*by Annie McKee*

Disagreements and debate at work are healthy. Fighting is not. That's because fighting with one's boss is just as confusing and destructive as fighting with a powerful family member. Fighting with a colleague feels like fighting with a friend or a sibling. Fighting with people who have more or less power than we do feels like bullying. [Click here to continue reading the article!](#)

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### August 12

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