

Worksheet 4: Five Whys

A Five Whys activity captures root causes of a primary problem. This tool for assessing root causes may be most helpful if you have a more complicated problem that requires digging deeper. Guidance for completing a Five Whys exercise can be found in the Facilitator's Guide. Use the table below to capture the problem statement, five whys, and root cause(s). Feel free to add more columns as needed, depending on the size of the team completing the exercise.

Problem Statement:



	Individual Responses				Synthesis
1. Why? ⬇					
2. Why? ⬇					
3. Why? ⬇					
4. Why? ⬇					
5. Why? ⬇					



Root Cause(s):					
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