

David Thomas

An inspirational keynote speaker on change and challenge

“It’s not the cards you are dealt in life, but the way that you play them”

If managing challenge, overcoming adversity, dealing with change and showing resilience are key to the success of your team, then David Thomas is the motivational speaker for you.

David inspires with his story of how he overcame a seriously abusive childhood to become a hugely successful adult. This is the theme of his Sunday Times #1 bestselling book. Delegates walk away motivated to manage their challenges better and use fewer excuses.

He shares the techniques he has honed and developed to become one of the best practitioners in history in his chosen field of excellence, memory, a global speaker and international media personality. Delegates are empowered with strategies that allow them to be more successful as leaders and influencers.

Key points

- Forget the why; only focus on HOW
- Success does not have to be a spectator sport
- The more responsibility you take, the better your life will be
- Someone has to be at the top of the tree – think BIG and it will be you

Presentation style

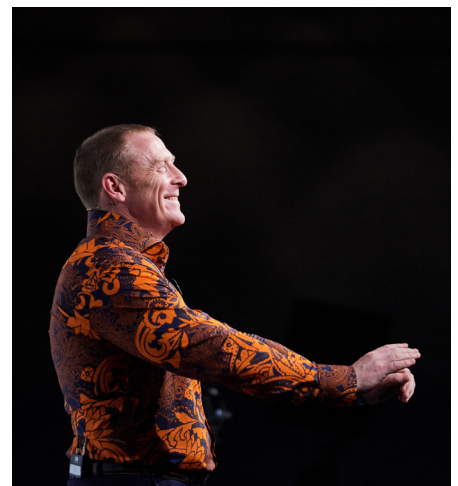
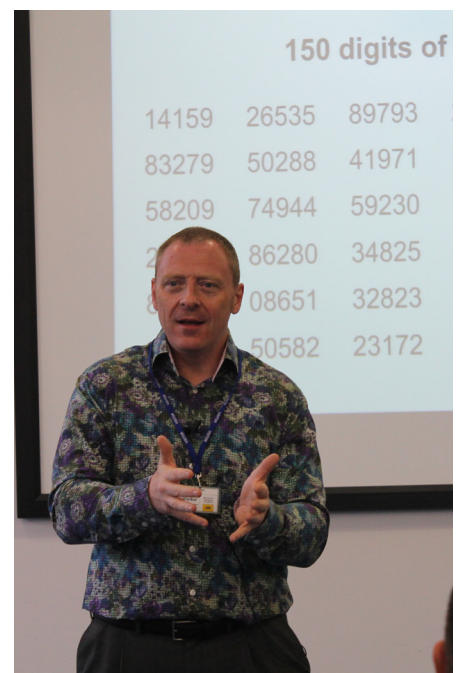
David’s presentation style is direct. He unsettles the audience making them think deeply about where they are in work and life. His style is particularly suited to those high performers who really want to improve and have a true desire to be the best that they can be.

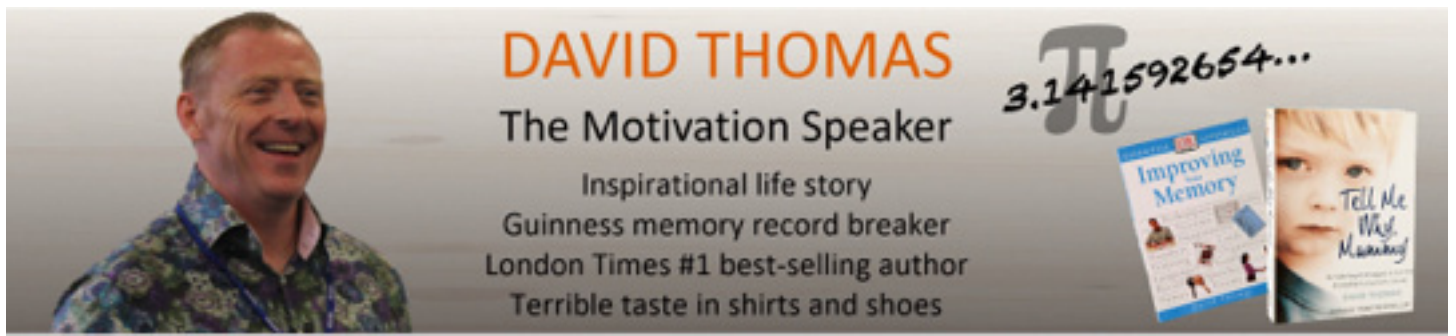
His infectious sense of humour is ever present in all his talks. He lives by the mantra ‘when we laugh, we learn’.

**Prime target audiences for David:
sales professionals, CEOs, leadership teams**

“David’s session was absolutely fantastic. It was funny, motivational and touchy in places where he shared his stories. The staff came away feeling really upbeat, really motivated with some commenting that he is the best external speaker we’ve had in the 8 years that we have been running sales conferences. I would certainly recommend him to anyone looking for a speaker for that type of event”

Ian Andrew, MD, Group intermediary sales, Nationwide Building Society





Background

David suffered a dreadful childhood at the hands of his alcoholic mother and aged physically abusive stepfather. He went off the rails at 16 getting into trouble with the police and was expelled from school. He joined the Fire Service at 20. Aged 27, he bought a book on memory to help him pass his exams and has since gone on to develop one of the most powerful memories in history.

World class memory guy

- World memory record holder for memorising and reciting 100 packs of playing cards
- International Grandmaster of Memory
- 2007 US Memory Champion
- Guinness record breaker for reciting Pi to 22,500 digits
- US memory record breaker memorising 160 digits in 5 mins

No.1 bestselling author

- Written three books with readership of more than 1 million
- Second book went No.1 in The Sunday Times bestseller list

International media personality

- 500+ media appearances in 149 countries including going on The Oprah Winfrey Show
- BBC World Service, Wall Street Journal, London Times, many international publications



Global speaker

- 19 years in 21 countries and 40 states in the USA
- Venues include the Tower of London, Caesars Palace and Harvard Club, NYC
- Audiences include CEOs, fire-fighters, sales staff, Olympic athletes, even blind business people!



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