

# 5 Whys Template

Identify the root cause of a problem by going beyond surface-level symptoms with Toyota's famous method

What is the **problem**?

**#1: Why** is this problem occurring?

**#2: Why** does the above cause exist?

**#3: Why** does the second-level cause exist?

**#4: Why** does the third-level cause exist?

**#5: Why** does the fourth-level cause exist?

What is the **root cause** of the problem?