Introduction to BABOK V3
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NTT Group: $100B Market Leader

- **One of the largest** telecom. and IT services companies in the world
- **Ranked 53rd** – Fortune 500, serving 80% of the Fortune 100
- **Global Presence** – 240,000 professionals in 88 countries
- **World’s largest** data center operator and 2nd largest network
- **$2.2B R&D** – Research centers in Japan and Silicon Valley
- **$15B** – Global IT services revenues generated outside Japan

The only global partner that supports clients with an integrated perspective across applications, infrastructure, and network
Integrated solutions across infrastructure, applications, and business processes

**Advisory Services**
- IT Strategy
- Digital Business
- Process Optimization
- Business Intelligence Strategy
- Organizational Change Management
- Program Management Office Consulting

**Application Innovation**
- Development and Management
- Mobility
- Enterprise Applications
- Modernization
- QA and Testing
- BI, Analytics, Performance Mgmt.
- Interactive Services

**Secure Infrastructure**
- Infrastructure and Security Consulting
- Data Center Modernization
- DR and Business Continuity
- Infrastructure Management
- Managed Hosting
- Managed Security

**Cloud Services**
- Advisory
- Modernization
- Operations
- Management
BABOK Defines the business analysis profession

- **Knowledge Areas**: Areas of specific business analysis expertise
- **Task**: discrete piece of work that may be performed formally or informally as
- **Underlying Competencies**: knowledge, skills, behaviors, characteristics, and personal qualities that help one successfully perform the role of the business analyst
- **Techniques**: Suggested way to perform a task
- **Perspectives**: Applications of business analysis in a specific context
Versions 1.0 to 2.0

The BABOK® Guide was developed from 2004–2009.
BABOK® Guide v3 is the essential standard to help practitioners and their stakeholders deliver business value and create better business outcomes.

- BABOK V3 was launched on April 15th
- Significant advancement in the business analysis profession
Why a Version 3?

- Keep the BABOK® Guide current
- Incorporate things we learned since v2 came out
- Make it applicable in more situations
- Improve theoretical underpinnings and models
- Improve understanding
- Help BAs do their jobs
Development Process

- Developed by a global core team of 11 authors – owners of content
  - Consider the future of business analysis
  - Keep the practitioner in mind
  - Establish a foundation
  - Don’t “break it”
  - We’re not done…
- Worked for over 4 years to develop the content
- Supported by over 150 volunteers (writers, reviewers, etc…)
- Public review: 5719 people read draft of version 3 and submitted 4499 individual comments
- 2 weddings, 3 babies,
• Core Concept Model – unified way of thinking
• Getting beyond projects and software requirements
• Get out of theory and make the BABOK easy to use
• Accommodate different types of business analysts
• Make BABOK content relevant to a wider audience
• Design!
BABOK Knowledge Areas - Version 2.0
BABOK® Guide Knowledge Areas: Then and Now

- Business Analysis Planning and Monitoring
- Elicitation
- Requirements Management & Communication
- Enterprise Analysis
- Requirements Analysis
- Solution Assessment & Validation

- Business Analysis Planning and Monitoring
- Elicitation and Collaboration
- Requirements Lifecycle Management
- Strategy Analysis
- Requirements Analysis and Design Definition
- Solution Evaluation
Business Analysis Defined

Then
the set of tasks and techniques
used in order to work as a liaison among stakeholders
to understand the structure, policies, and operations of an organization,
and to recommend solutions that enable the organization
to achieve its goals

Now
the practice of enabling change,
in the context of an organization (enterprise)
by defining needs
and recommending solutions that deliver value
to stakeholders
**Business Analysis** is the practice of enabling change in an enterprise by defining needs and recommending solutions that deliver value to stakeholders.

A **Business Analyst** is any person who performs business analysis tasks described in the *BABOK® Guide*, no matter their job title or organizational role.

Discover, Analyze, and Synthesize Information
Perspectives are used within business analysis work to provide focus to tasks and techniques specific to the context of the initiative.

- Five Perspectives
  - Agile
  - Business Intelligence
  - Information Technology
  - Business Architecture
  - Business Process Management
- Different BAs work in different ways
- Incomplete list, more to come
- Not mutually exclusive
- KAs are executed within every perspective
- Produced by experts in these areas

**Perspective Includes:**
- Change Scope
- Business Analysis Scope
- Methodologies, Approaches, Techniques
- Underlying Competencies
- Impact on Knowledge Areas
1. A condition or capability needed by a stakeholder to solve a problem or achieve an objective.

2. A condition or capability that must be met or possessed by a solution or solution component to satisfy a contract, standard, specification or other formally imposed documents.

3. A documented representation of a condition or capability as in 1) or 2).
a usable representation of a need

Need: a problem, opportunity, or opportunity to be addressed

Value: the worth, importance or usefulness of something to a stakeholder within a context

Stakeholder: a group or individual with a relationship to the change, the need, or the solution.

Context: the part of the environment which encompasses the change
Takeaway # 3 - BA Core Concept Model

**Business Analysis Core Concept Model**

- Conceptual framework for business analysis
- Describe the profession and domain of business analysis
- Helps us get to “why”
- Dig a little deeper into our business
- Understand all aspects of business analysis on a project
Simon Sinek – Start with Why

- Too many people start with “What”
- Without knowing the “why” we lose focus
- What is the mission of your customers, what are they all about

http://www.ted.com/talks/simon_sinek_how_great_leaders_inspire_action

The Golden Circle
There are 6 questions that every analyst should be asking themselves about their work:

- What kind of **change** are we initiating?
- What are the **needs** being satisfied?
- What are the **solutions** considered?
- Who are the **stakeholders**?
- What do the stakeholders consider to be of **value**?
- What **context** are the initiative and solution being executed?
Takeaway # 4 - Strategy Analysis

Strategy Analysis (3.0)
- Understand the enterprise and its capabilities
- Identify needs and determine if the add value
- Provides breadth and depth beyond project business case
- Goals, objectives, value, scope, risk

Enterprise Analysis (2.0)
- Goal: bring the BA into a strategy discussion
- What needs to be done
- Basically, writing a business case

Strategy Analysis Tasks
- Current State Analysis
- Future State Analysis
- Risk Analysis
- Define Change Strategy

Business Analysis Value Spectrum
Takeaway # 5 - Design!

One person’s design is another person’s requirements

• Requirements vs. Design (What vs. How)
  • Great in theory – difficult to apply in practice
• Recognition that in some roles business analysts design
  • Software Design (software architecture)
  • Business Process Design (SOP)
• Non-technical design – leave the rest to implementation experts
• Requirements Analysis and Design Definition:
  • Requirements Specification: Defining the needs
  • Design Definition: Exploring how we achieve the solution
• Design options need to be considered
• Discussion on design are collaborative
• Many requirements tasks can be applied to design
Lessons from Dilbert

What’s wrong here?...
Takeaway # 6 - Techniques

**Techniques** cover the most common and widespread techniques practiced within the business analysis community.

- Started with a survey
- Removed or repurposed software focused techniques
- Moved some KA specific techniques out of the KAs
- Added usage considerations
- Technique-to-Task Mapping
- More collaborative and business focused

**New Techniques**
- Backlog Management
- Balanced Scorecard
- Business Capability Analysis
- Business Case
- Business Model Canvas
- Collaborative Games
- Concept Modeling
- Data Mining
- Decision Modeling
- Financial Analysis
- Mind Mapping
- Prioritization
- Process Analysis
- Roles and Permissions Matrix
- Stakeholder List, Map, Personas
**Business Model Canvas** describes how an enterprise creates, delivers, and captures value for and from its customers.

- Framework for understanding and optimizing business models
- Uses stakeholder language
- Simply and easy to understand
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<td>What key activities do our value propositions require?</td>
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<td>For whom are we creating value?</td>
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<td>Our distribution channels?</td>
<td>Which one of our customers' problems are we helping to solve?</td>
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<td>Who are our most important customers?</td>
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<td>Which key resources are we acquiring from our partners?</td>
<td>Customer relationships? Revenue Streams?</td>
<td>What bundles of products and services are we offering to each segment?</td>
<td>How are they integrated with the rest of our business model?</td>
<td>What are the customer archetypes?</td>
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<td>Revenue Streams?</td>
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<td>How do other companies reach them now?</td>
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<td>For what value are our customers really willing to pay?</td>
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Wrap Up

- Perspectives
- New Definition of Requirement
- Core Concept Model
- Strategy Analysis
- Design
- New Techniques
Common Questions

Q: Where can I get a copy of BABOK V3?
A: IIBA Members - Download your free electronic copy now.
    Non-Members – Purchase your electronic copy now. Or you can join IIBA and download your complimentary copy once your membership registration is complete. To join IIBA, visit IIBA Membership.
    – BABOK® Guide v3 PDF
    – BABOK® Guide v3 ePub
    – BABOK® Guide v3 Kindle

Q: What should I be studying for my CBAP exam?
A: Focus on V2 for now, the exam will change at the end of this year.
Questions for YOU!

**Question:** Who can name the 6 elements of the Business Analysis Core Concept Model?

**Answer:** Need, Value, Stakeholder, Context, Solution, and Change

**Question:** What is the BABOK V3 definition of a requirement?

**Answer:** A usable representation of a need
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Biography

Matthew Leach is a Senior Director within NTT DATA’s Business Analysis Practice where he leads the North America region. A recognized thought-leader in the business analysis profession, Matthew works with clients to establish highly effective business analysis and requirements disciplines, enabling the delivery of solutions to technical and business problems.

Mr. Leach brings business acumen, leadership, and technical expertise to engagements, transforming businesses while managing change across all areas of an organization. Matthew is a Certified Business Analysis Professional (CBAP) with a proven track record of working with companies of all sizes on engagements which have included: software and solution development, vendor selection, product development, business process improvement, business unit re-organization, enterprise analysis, and the implementation of business analysis best practices.

Prior to joining NTT DATA, Matthew held technical and management positions at EMC, Raytheon Integrated Defense Systems, and Robbins Gioia.

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