Why RLI Micro-learning is Your Secret Weapon for

Turning Your Managers into World-Class Coaches







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PROBLEM: Who's going to train my people?

Talent-development initiatives often stall because front-line managers don't buy in. "We're not trainers," they object. "Besides, we don't have time. Training is someone else's job."

There's truth in what they say. Most haven't been trained as trainers. And they're incredibly busy. Training is one of those important-but-nonurgent tasks that always get pushed to the bottom of the priority list.

The fact is, you won't have much luck trying to turn managers into **trainers.**

But with micro-learning, you can help managers become better coaches.

Training vs. coaching

What's the difference? Training is all about **transferring knowledge** – an important task, but not one that's especially suited for managers. Coaching is about **enhancing knowledge** and building skills – and that's central to the manager's role. Managers succeed only when their people succeed. So they're intensely interested in developing the skills of their people.

Managers recognize the importance of their coaching role – but they lack the tools to do it effectively.

And that's where micro-learning comes in.



A powerful new coaching tool

The **Rapid Learning Institute (RLI)** offers a new, tech-enabled micro-learning solution that helps managers seamlessly integrate their coaching role into their day-to-day responsibilities.

It creates **"coachable moments"** – focused opportunities for managers to help their people tackle real-world challenges.

A portfolio of coaching tools allows managers to teach a skill and then follow up to be sure people are actually deploying what they've learned on the job. Coaching becomes an **ongoing process** that's seamlessly integrated into the workday.

Experience shows that this approach creates a **virtuous circle:** as managers and their people achieve small wins, they're motivated to engage in more coaching. In this way, microlearning does **more than simply build skills:** It helps create and reinforce an organization's learning culture.

What's included?

RLI's system is built around these coaching tools:

- A large library of engaging 5- to 7-minute videos, each focused on one problem and one behavior. They provide insights, backed by academic and institutional research, and serve as the foundation for "coachable moments"
- A quiz that helps reinforce the key concepts presented in the video
- A discussion guide that helps managers relate these insights to their particular situation
- An implementation plan that ensures people will apply these concepts on the job
- A breakthrough assessment tool that allows managers to quickly determine their team's coaching needs and then track progress over time







How do managers deploy these tools?

Managers use these resources to trigger performance dialogue, either individually or in groups. Managers identify a skill gap, assign a module that addresses the gap, then meet in a coaching session that involves discussion, role play and performance feedback. RLI provides learning paths, a coaching roadmap and free ongoing guidance that allow managers to make a huge impact in just a few hours per month.

