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The CORE Purpose

- What is CORE?
- Why is it important?

 Tools to Score on CORE
- AM/PM Walk
- Weekly Pest Walk
- MIC Walk
- CORE Evaluation
- Self Scoring Tool • TRED
- OWN Your ZONE

The BIG 8 • How to ACE the 8's

• Level up your store

DO:

Cover housekeeping items; restrooms, snacks, cell phones

SAY:

Team, I am so excited to have you all here today. We will cover CORE and what tools we use to be successful during CORE. Before getting started, I would like to tell you a little bit about myself. (Don't forget to include a fun fact about yourself)

Now, let's get to know a little about you!

ASK:

DO:

Use the beach ball with questions on it for this game!



SAV.

Explain how the game works:

- You will pass the ball to anyone and whoever catches the ball must answer the question that their right thumb lands on.

ASK:

Ask whoever is the one the catches the ball to please stand say their name and store number and then answer their question.





SAY:

Let's start with our purpose. Our goal is to run great operations by using systems and tools consistently. Food safety is our #1 priority. By running great shifts and executing these daily, we deliver great experience to our guests.

ASK:

We love acronyms at Taco Bell. Who can tell me what CORE stands for?

CORE Overview

- What does CORE stand for? Customer Operations Restaurant
- Kestaurant Evaluation
- CORE is a program that keeps us focused on most to our customers; delivering a world class, consistent, customer experience in every restaurant from coast to coast.
- It's a scoring platform utilized by TACO Bell Corporate to ensure we are aligned with brand health, safety & corporate standards
- It's how we consistently execute excellent food & service
- · Drive's focus around the fundamentals
- CORE consists of TWO categories: Operations & Food Safety

DO: Highlight the information on this slide

SAV.

We hire a 3rd company called Steritech to do these audits. It is very important to be consistent with daily operations to achieve great results. Remember, auditor is there to capture a snapshot of the day. They are just recording their observations. We need to stay calm and keep our focus on the fundamentals during the audit. Your team is looking up to you, so if you are stressed, your team will be stressed.

ASK:

How many of you have been through a CORE audit before? (look for responses, raised hands etc.)

DO:

CORE WINS

Manager Wins

Keeps your store ready for Steritech visits Keeps your team aligned on standards You Earn Mas (CORE Bonus)

Customer Wins

Ensures a great customer experience Keeps our brand standards consistent Safe food in a clean environment



SAY:

It is a win-win situation for us and customers. When we focus on CORE fundamentals on Operations and Food Safety, we deliver a great customer experience. This makes our customers come back to Taco Bell.

Taco Bell's goal is the be safest place to work and eat. We need to ensure to provide that to our teams and guests.

And our company rewards us with a bonus for our CORE result. Isn't that amazing? We get a bonus for just doing our jobs right.

ASK:

Who pays our paychecks? (Look for the answers) Customers pay our paychecks. We want them to keep coming back to Taco Bell. Let's learn about how we make this happen.

DO: Share the information about each CORE values

CORE Values

SERVING UP MAS

"We passionately serve each other. We feed people's lives with más by delivering fast service, and delicious food with smiling faces."



"And the Best Back of House award goes to..."
"It's no secret, our cult keons are made in the kitchen. As we continue to grow as a category of one, for
everyone, this starts in our Back at House."



ading and Feeding. We thrive on paving the way, breeding culture, with creative and confident tean



Best on block is not only a motto, it's our passion. We pave the way. It's our block. We set the stage and

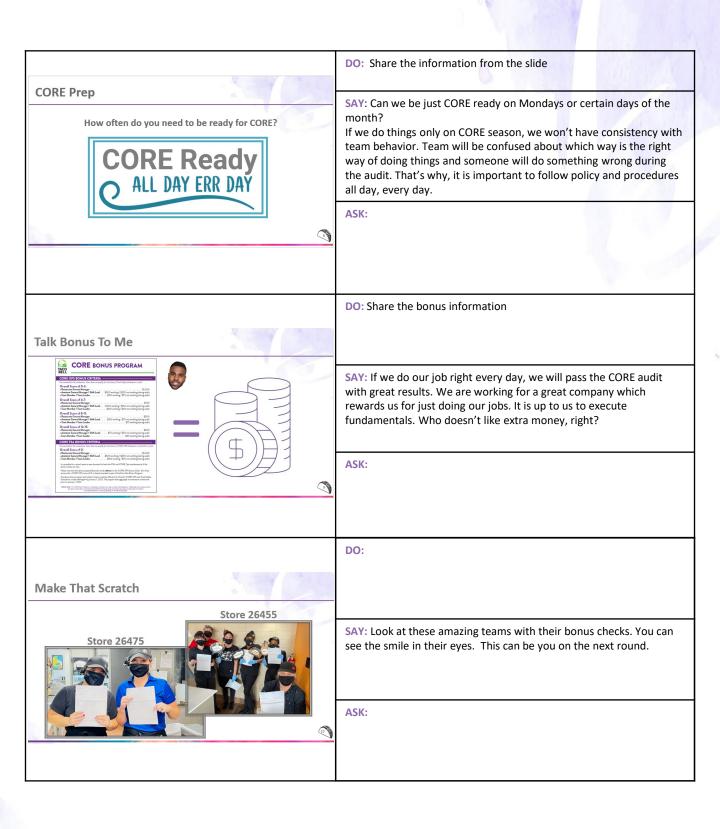
SAY: With these 4 CORE values, we deliver the great experience to our guests. Our customers love Taco Bell for a reason. We all have our favorite restaurants for a reason.

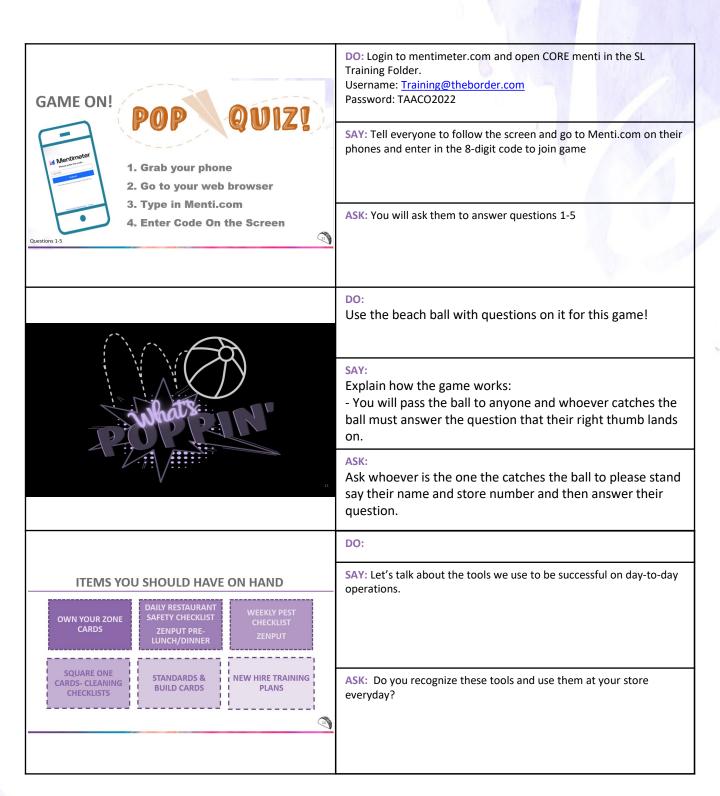
What is your favorite restaurant and why do you like to go there? (Wait for some answers) Food, service or cleanliness keeps us going back to those restaurants. Our customers do the same.

It is very important to be consistent to maintain our customers' have perceptions of us.

ASK: What does best on the block mean to you? (Wait for answers) Cleanliness of exterior and interior, friendly service, speed, fresh and accurate food, great facilities. Remember, guest experience starts as soon as they pull into our lot. If our parking lot is looking like landfill, customers won't have a great perception.











DO:

SAY: You can go to CORE resources page on My Taco Bell and access the Ops and Food Safety Guides. Also, CORE pocketbook includes all guidelines for Ops and Food Safety. CORE pocketbook can be ordered from Market Place.

I highly encourage everyone to read these guides to understand what auditor is looking for.

You can also access self scoring tools on this page. We have practice forms available on Zenput as well.

Taco Bell publishes CORE newsletters multiple times a year. These also can be found on CORE resources page.

ASK:



DO:

SAY: OYZ cards are great tools to keep team focused and organized on tasks. We have 5 cards for 5 different positions in our store. They are also great tools to use when we train new employees. Instead of telling people to stay busy, you can ask them which task are they working on from their OYZ card. Square 1 cards are job aids for main cleaning areas in our stores. They tell us which chemicals and towels to use with step-by-step instructions. We even have a card for dishwashing, because we don't wash dishes at TB like we wash them at home, right? That's why it is very important to use these tools when we train or calibrate our teams. Standard cards show how to prepare and label ingredients. Menu item build cards show step-by-step how to make each item and target weights. Let's use these tools.

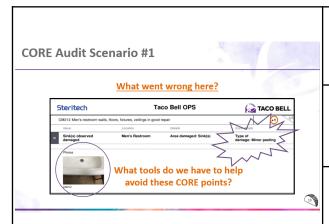
ASK: Do you have all of these at your store?



DO:

SAY: It is very important to train our team properly to run an efficient and productive shift. We get out what we put in from our teams. Remember, we are only as good as our weakest employee. Well trained employees feel more confident in their roles, they stay longer and work more efficient. We need to utilize new hire training plans on One Source for each position. CORE auditor will also review if your team is certified in their position. Every employee must complete their training within 40 days of hire date.

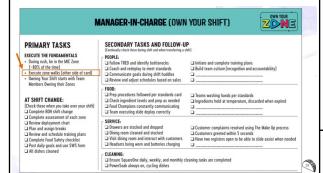
ASK: Now, would you like to review some real scenarios and learn more about CORE?



DO: Review the scenario with the team

SAY: CORE auditor will assess 2 things during Ops (Operations) part of the visit when it comes to facilities. Cleanliness and condition of the restaurant and equipment. You can lose 1 point for cleanliness and 2 points for maintenance issues on the same items. If we lose more than 25 points on Ops side of the visit, we fail the CORE.

ASK:



DO:

SAY: When we assess zone walks, we want to look at the areas from top to bottom. Start from the ceiling and review the area toward the floor. This gives you an opportunity to catch any cleanliness or maintenance issues. If there are cleaning opportunities, delegate to your team, if there are maintenance opportunities, inform your RGM. These walks should be executed before/after every daypart.

ASK:

- -Who can tell me the day parts?
- Do you have OYZ cards at your store?
- Who is using their MIC card during their shift?

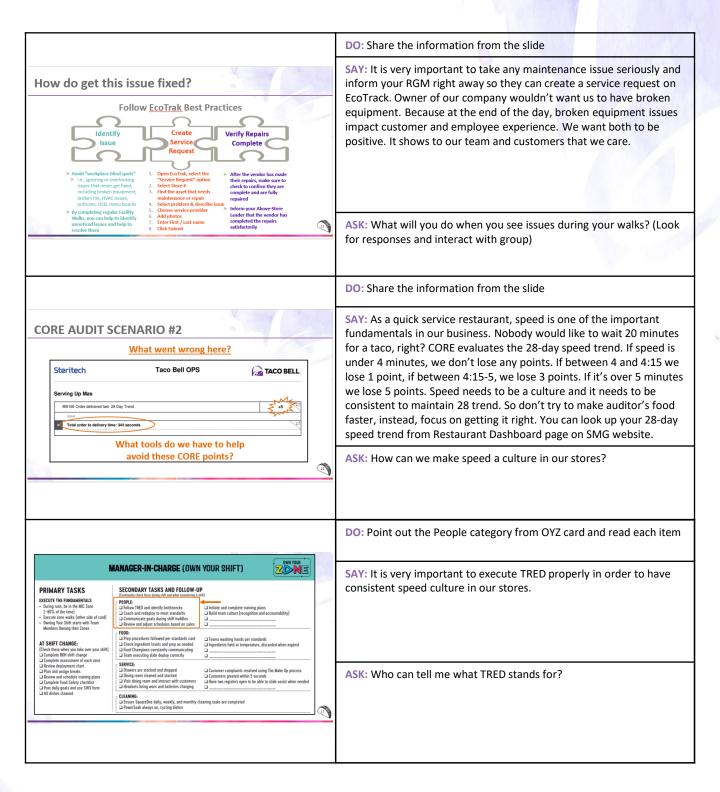
AM/PM Food Safety & MIC Walk | State | State

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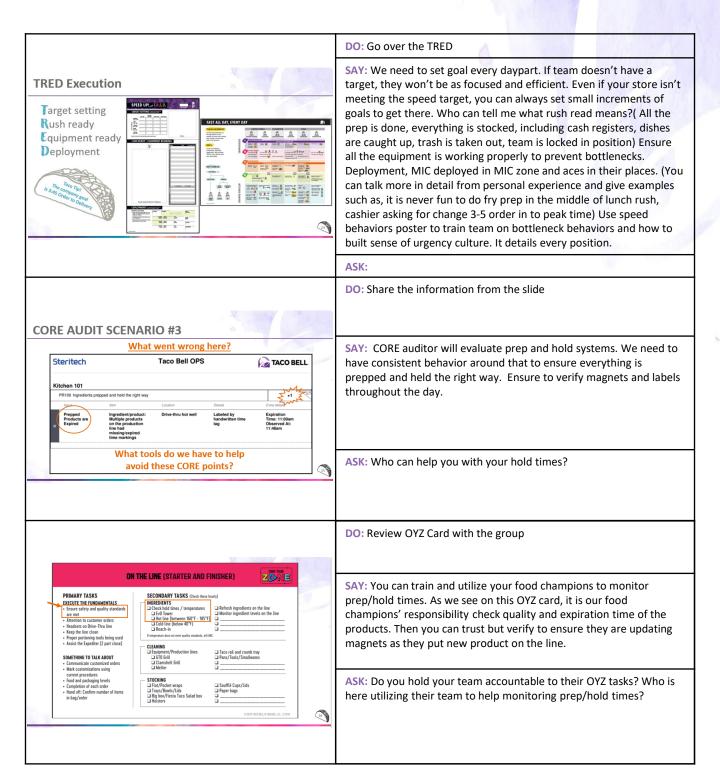
SAY: We execute MIC walks on Zenput. This gives us an opportunity to capture any maintenance items. Your RGM and AC can review your walk. Another great tool is Food Safety checklist. Why do we do a food safety checklist? (Wait for some answers) It helps us identify any food safety issues, ensures product isn't expired, team is healthy, no pest issues is present. By checking temperature of the product, we verify equipment functionality. If your tomatoes on cold line is temping over 41 F, obviously something is wrong with your cold line. It is very important to execute food safety checklist with integrity. Because we don't want to risk people's lives. FS Checklist must be completed before 11AM and 5PM daily.

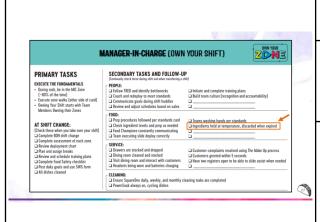
ASK:











DO: Share the information under Food category on MIC card.

SAY: We must monitor the food safety (expiration times and temperatures) throughout our shift.

ASK:



Mentimeter 6-13



DO: Open Mentimeter.com and continue through questions 6-13

ASK: Ask everyone to open Mentimeter on their phones to continue the game.

If they were kicked out, they can re-enter with the same code.

4. Enter Code On the Screen

CORE AUDIT SCENARIO #4



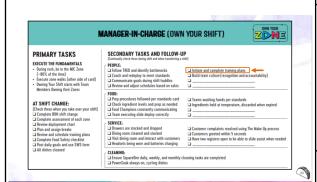
DO:

SAY: Why people come to Taco Bell? For our food, right? It is very important to get our food right. We can lose up to 10 points on CORE during the shop if we don't get the food right. Ingredients must be spread from end to end. Food must be built with correct ingredients. Ensure food is wrapped to correct corner of the wrap.

We struggle a lot with quesadilla cuts. Ensure team is executing "rock and roll" method. This motion helps cutting both layers of tortilla, otherwise, if won't be cut all the way through. Also, if you fold the bag, it helps centering the quesadilla to cut easier. We want to achieve as equal pieces as possible.

ASK: How would you feel as a customer to if your food wasn't made right? Example: You bite into your burrito and all the sour cream in that bite, and rest of the burrito doesn't have any sour cream. How do we prevent these situations?

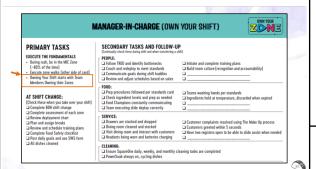




DO:

SAY: It is very important to execute training plans during our shifts. Review the schedule and training calendar. Who is working today? Any new hires? What training plans need to be completed? Remember, we are only as good as our least efficient employee. If our employees aren't trained well, they won't be productive. If we explain the WHYs and HOWs when we train the employees, information will stick better.

ASK: Have you guys ever heard the term "work smart not hard"?



DO:

SAY: We have a great reminder on our MIC card. Owning your shift starts with team members owning their zones. If everyone executes the primary and secondary tasks from their OYZ cards, our day will go much better. Because all the areas would be taken care of. Always use the OYZ cards when training new employees. And continue to use them with tenured team as well for a productive day.

ASK:



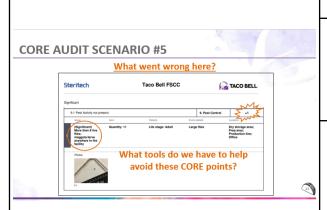
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SAY: Let's talk about training a little bit. As we can see on the Food Champion training plan, all the line positions are covered on learning zone training. But learning zone is only the 50% of the training, other 50% comes from on-the-job practice. We need to ensure team completes their learning zone for each role, so they can execute the role and meet the expectations. With a well-trained team, we can avoid losing up to 10 points on food. We can serve great food, made the right way and accurate, each time to each guest.

ASK: How do you execute new hire training at your store? (Ensure it is a balanced training from day 1 till end of the training. Each day, employees should watch some learning zone and then practice what they learned on the job)





DO:

SAY: Let's look at this scenario. (Share the information from the slide) What do you guys think? It is not very nice to work in an environment with lots of flies, right? Flies can carry diseases and can contaminate food/surfaces in our restaurants. What else do we look for when it comes to pest activity? (Droppings, nesting, chewed boxes)

ASK: What can we do the avoid these situations?
First important thing is the keep our stores clean and well maintained. We need to clean under/behind equipment and shelving. We need to prevent pest access by keeping DT window and doors closed when not in use. Let's review the tools we use more in detail.

DO:

Utilize Zenput - Weekly Pest Walks & AM/PM Walks



SAY: We need to complete a pest walk on Zenput each week by Tuesdays. Also, during pre lunch and pre dinner food safety checklists, we get to answer some questions about pest activity as well. First, we need to ensure interior and exterior bait stations are placed properly. We use a flashlight to check under/behind equipment and shelving. Checking foundation of the building is also very important. Ensure there are no holes or cracks on the building, doors and windows are sealed properly, no sitting water in restaurant as it will attract pests. We work with Ecolab to prevent pest activity in the restaurant. They visit our stores once a month to service pest prevention devices. It is very important to review their leave behind report and take any actions necessary. Sometimes they

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will leave notes for suggestions or cleaning certain areas.



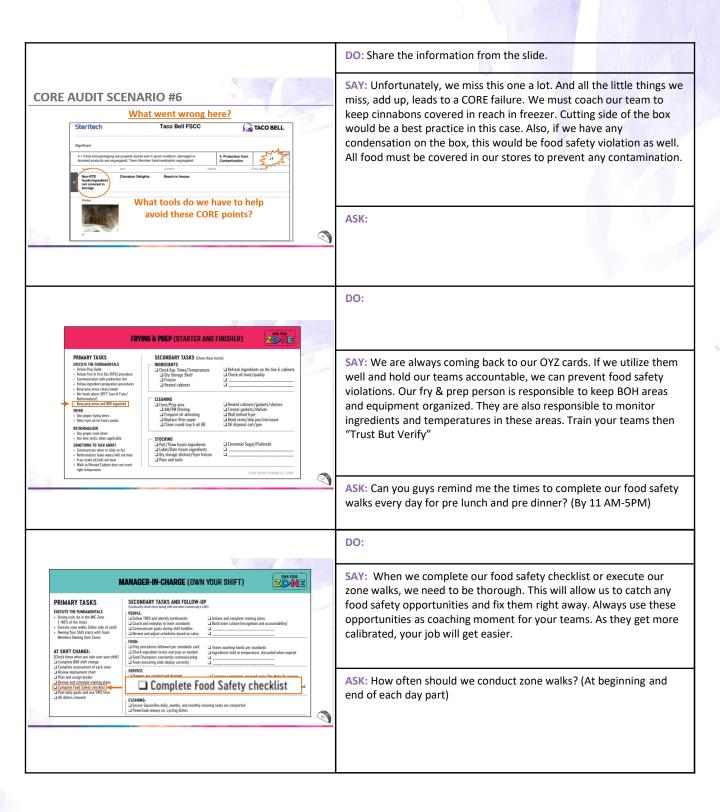
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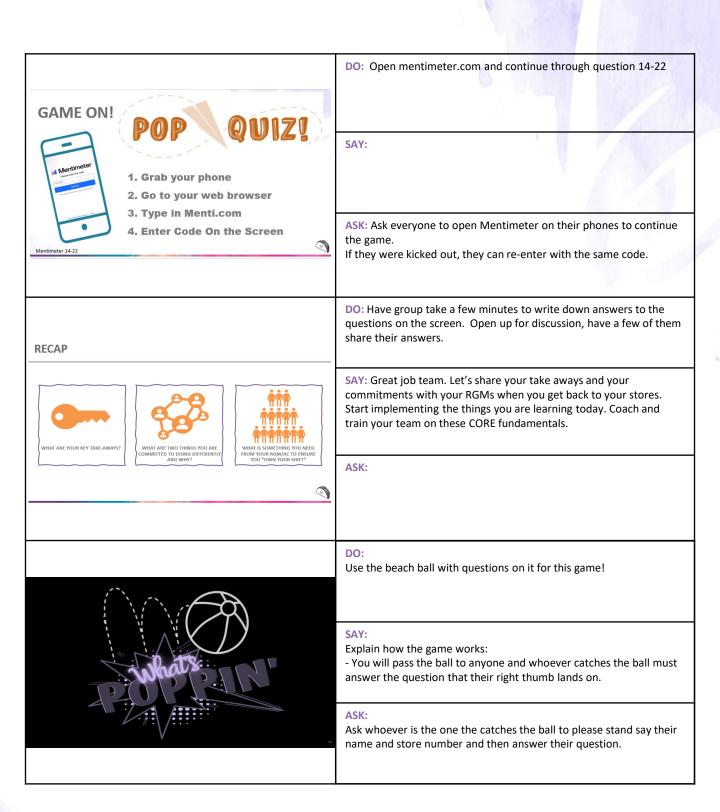
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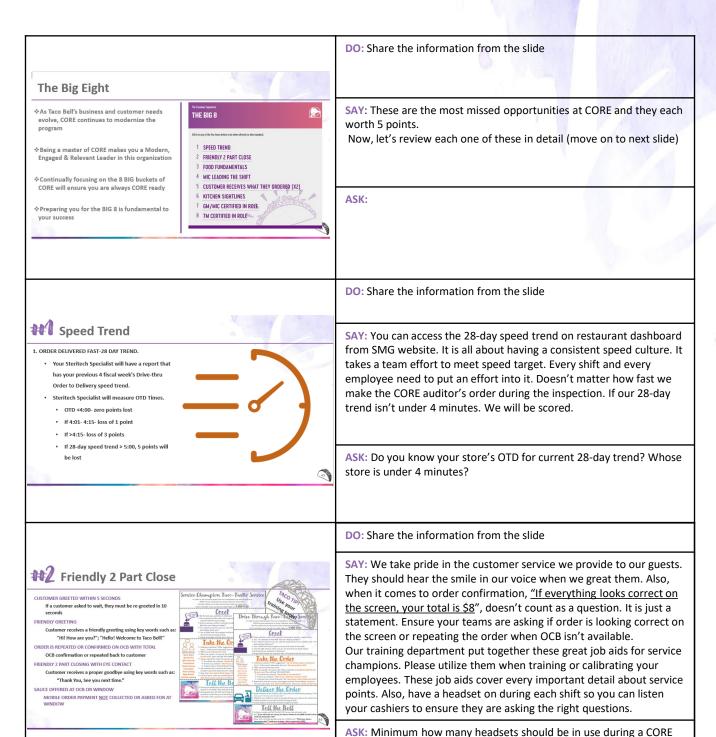
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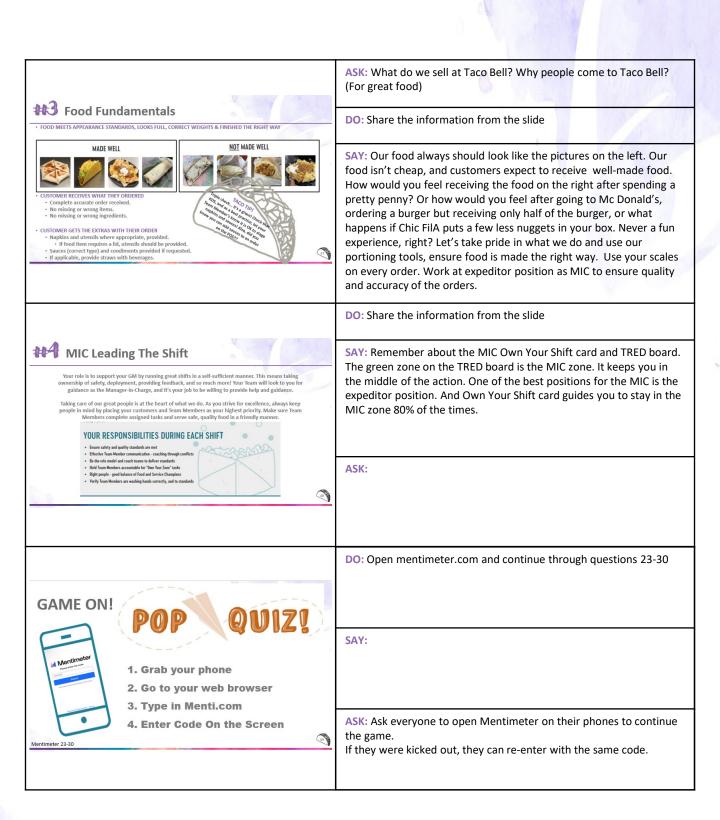


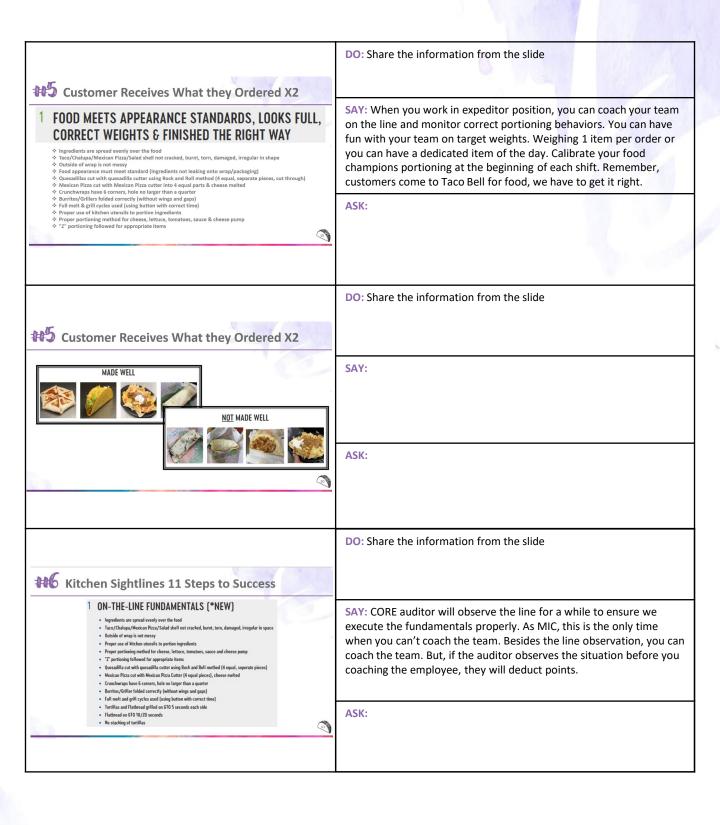






audit? (3, but if we have more headsets, they should be all in use)

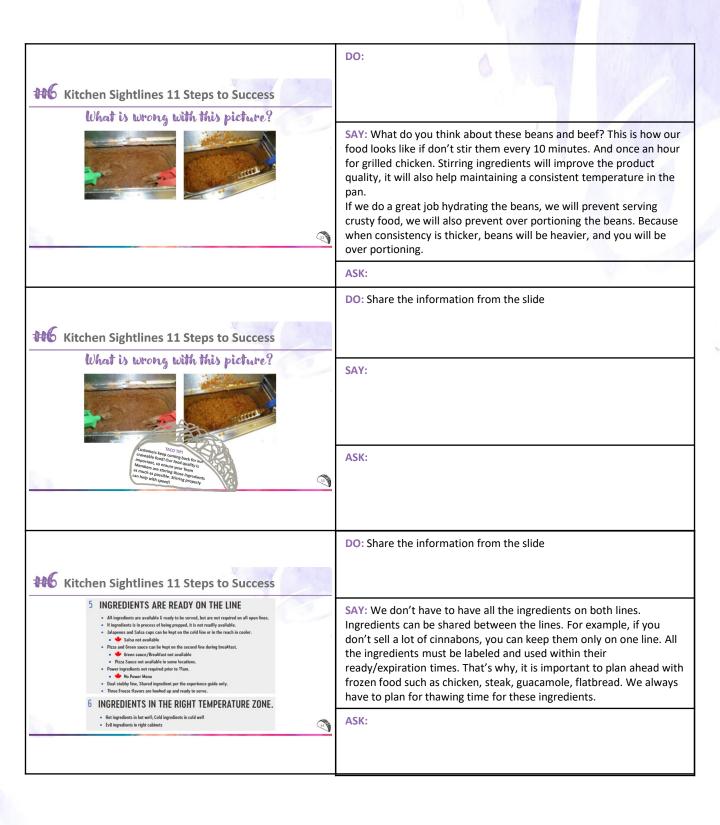




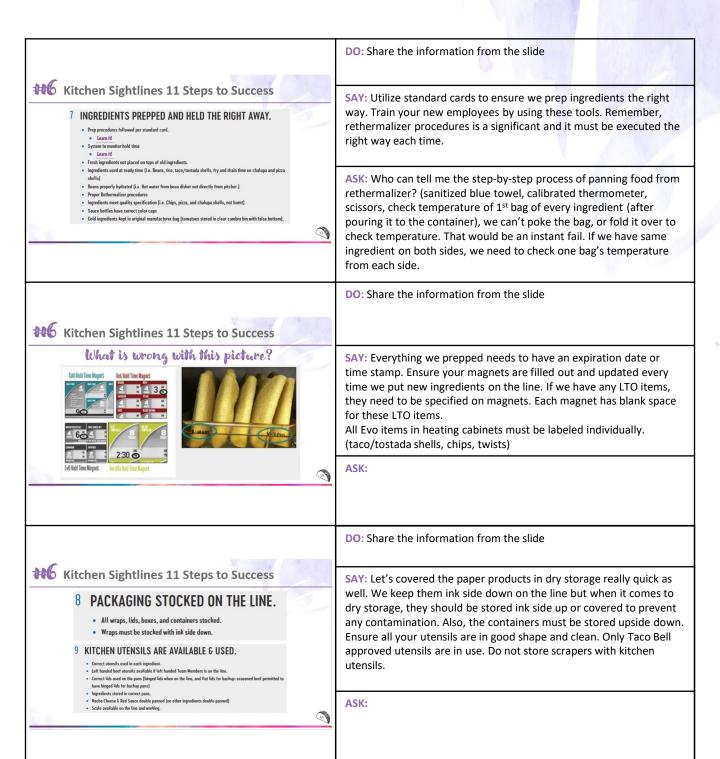


DO: Share the information from the slide Kitchen Sightlines 11 Steps to Success SAY: When you do your MIC walks, stand by the counter and look at **2 KITCHEN SIGHTLINES / COUNTER CLEAN AND** BOH. What do you see? Because that's what our customers see. For MAINTAINED. example; sometimes we are too generous with grill cleaner and its residue bakes on the clamshell grills. This creates a bad perception Kitchen Floor should be clean without large visible mess on the floor Equipment looks reasonably clean for a working kitchen. for our guests. Because they think we are grilling their food in this No cabling clutter No long term build up or lack of cleaning visible on fixtures dirty equipment. No storage of cleaning supplies within front counter area & customer view Front counter should only contain approved register toppers, donation canisters, and Gift card displays. Mints, sauce, water containers, paper applications should be not displayed on front counter. Team member messaging not within customer view. [recognition, plaques] No additional decor should be added. Holiday decor permitted during holiday months ASK: DO: Kitchen Sightlines 11 Steps to Success What is wrong with this picture? SAY: What do you guys think? It looks like a bomb just went off in this kitchen. Sometimes, our stores look like this right after a rush. We don't want our customers to have this experience, neither our employees. Everyone would like to eat and work in a clean environment. When environment is dirty and disorganized, it feels like chaos. Do you all enjoy working in a clean environment? ASK: If you think about OYZ cards, do you remember who is responsible to keep kitchen floors clean? Whose card has this task? (DT Cashier) DO: Share the information from the slide Kitchen Sightlines 11 Steps to Success 3 CHEESE AND RED SAUCE PUMPS WORKING SAY: • Pumps have new or proper red/yellow collars, sleeves and retaining nut INGREDIENTS STIRRED ON LINE. Must use stir & scoop method in portioning seasoned beef. Ingredients appear fresh (not crusty, dry or pooled oil presentation as a result of not stirring regularly) Beans are properly hydrated. ASK: • All ingredients with a hinged lid must be stirred regardless if the line is in use. Hinged lids should be closed while individual ingredients not in use.





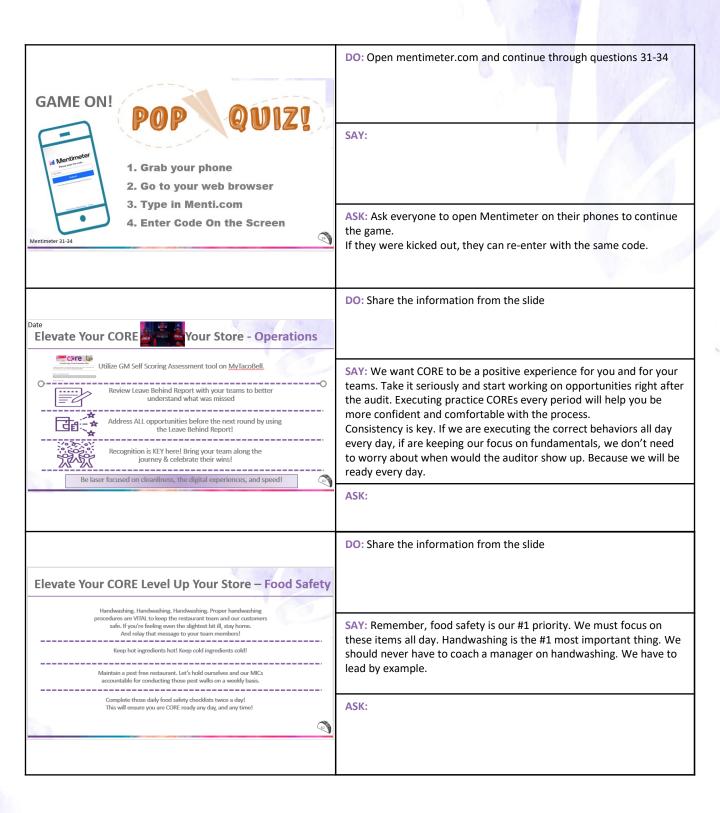






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	SAY:
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11 PREP GUIDE IS COMPLETED AND FOLLOWED.	
Guide is posted and filled out, followed and signed by MIC.	
 Hot ingredients, Ev0, Taco Tower, Heated Cabinet quantities should not exceed guide quantities. Cold ingredient quantities do not have to match quide. 	
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#7&8 Certifications	
1 SERVICE CHAMPION CERTIFIED IN CURRENT EXPERIENCE.	
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 FOOD CHAMPION CERTIFIED IN CURRENT EXPERIENCE. Specialist will select any 1 food Champion on shift and verify that Experience course by Food Champion is 	properly, auditor will review training and certification status of our
3 TEAM MEMBER(S) CERTIFIED IN ROLE.	teams.
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Date Drop It Drop It Low (That Score) PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT The best way to ensure you are ready for CORE and to keep that score low is practicing The Self-Scoring TOOL mirrors the evaluation from the Steritech Specialist Once a period conduct the evaluation with your teams this will Shows areas of opportunity Continues to re-enforce CORE best practices Makes sure you are always CORE ready	SAY: ASK:
THE FINAL COUNTDOWN! POP QUIZ! 1. Grab your phone 2. Go to your web browser 3. Type in Menti.com 4. Enter Code On the Screen	DO: Open mentimeter.com and continue through the last question 35! SAY: This is the final round! ASK: Ask everyone to open Mentimeter on their phones to continue the game. If they were kicked out, they can re-enter with the same code.