

Knowledge @ Noon

Failure is an option

Failure is something we greatly fear, particularly in our paths through education and our careers. What we don't or can't recognize in the moment is that often, failure is the success we didn't know we needed. It pushes us to look differently, take a different perspective on what our future path should be. In my experience that reflection leads us ultimately to a better place. Undoubtedly, we need to engage deeply our resilience super powers but in the end failure is the place growth comes from.



Alice Reiner

Peer Power: How Communities Help Us Learn Faster in the Age of AI



Anna Stando

Anna Stando explores how women thrive when they learn together. She shares her journey across projects and communities, introduces the Lean In Circles model of peer mentoring, and presents *AI for the Real World* — a practical online learning space that helps women approach AI with confidence. The talk highlights why community matters now more than ever, and how combining human connection with accessible AI skills can accelerate growth for women in the workplace.



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