

Riversection 3. “Danger Will Robinson”

During the 60’s there was a television show called Lost in Space. The plot line of the show was based around a number of space travelers (a family called the Robinsons) who had gone off course through some cataclysmic event and were now spending the next four or five years of television programming desperately trying to return home.

In the cast, there was a robot character that watched out for the youngest little boy. Whenever it looked like the robot’s sensors picked up a threat the robot spoke “Danger Will Robinson, danger...”

Lost in Space is an appropriate metaphor for the coach seeking to move toward mastery of questions as a primary skill set. For whenever the coach lurches off course into a particular agenda they would be well served by their own internal guide speaking “Danger Will Robinson...Danger.” This might prevent them from being lost in an undesirable space that a particular question creates.

On the next page are some of the hazards a coach might inadvertently encounter on their way to their coaching mastery. Hopefully the mere listing by me, and review by you will be sufficient to set up your own early warning system. If not, I’m certain you can count on your client to alert you to the consequences of one of these items. It may however, be too late once they have.