Development Suggestions for Organizational Knowledge

Activities

- 1. Ask someone who seems particularly savvy about the organization to be your mentor. Ask your manager to suggest someone who could be helpful in this role.
- 2. Study an organization chart to get the big picture and see how the various functions relate to each other.
- 3. Build an informal network with peers in other functional areas to learn more about the work they do.
- 4. Look for opportunities to socialize with others outside the normal work environment, perhaps at lunch or after hours when informal "bull sessions" about the organization take place.
- 5. If your organization is implementing a broad-based effort, volunteer to serve on the steering committee or task force to broaden your perspective and to meet peers from other functional areas.
- 6. Read as many internal publications as you can, including newsletters and technical publications from other departments.