

# **“How do I maintain my research stream?” and eleven other questions you should ask yourself**

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A misty forest scene with tall, thin trees and a path leading into the distance. The atmosphere is hazy and ethereal, with sunlight filtering through the canopy in the upper right. The ground is covered in fallen leaves and forest debris.

Condolences...

Three views of what this means

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without loss of enthusiasm.

—Winston Churchill

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Failure is moving from success to success  
with loss of enthusiasm.

—Joe Mahoney



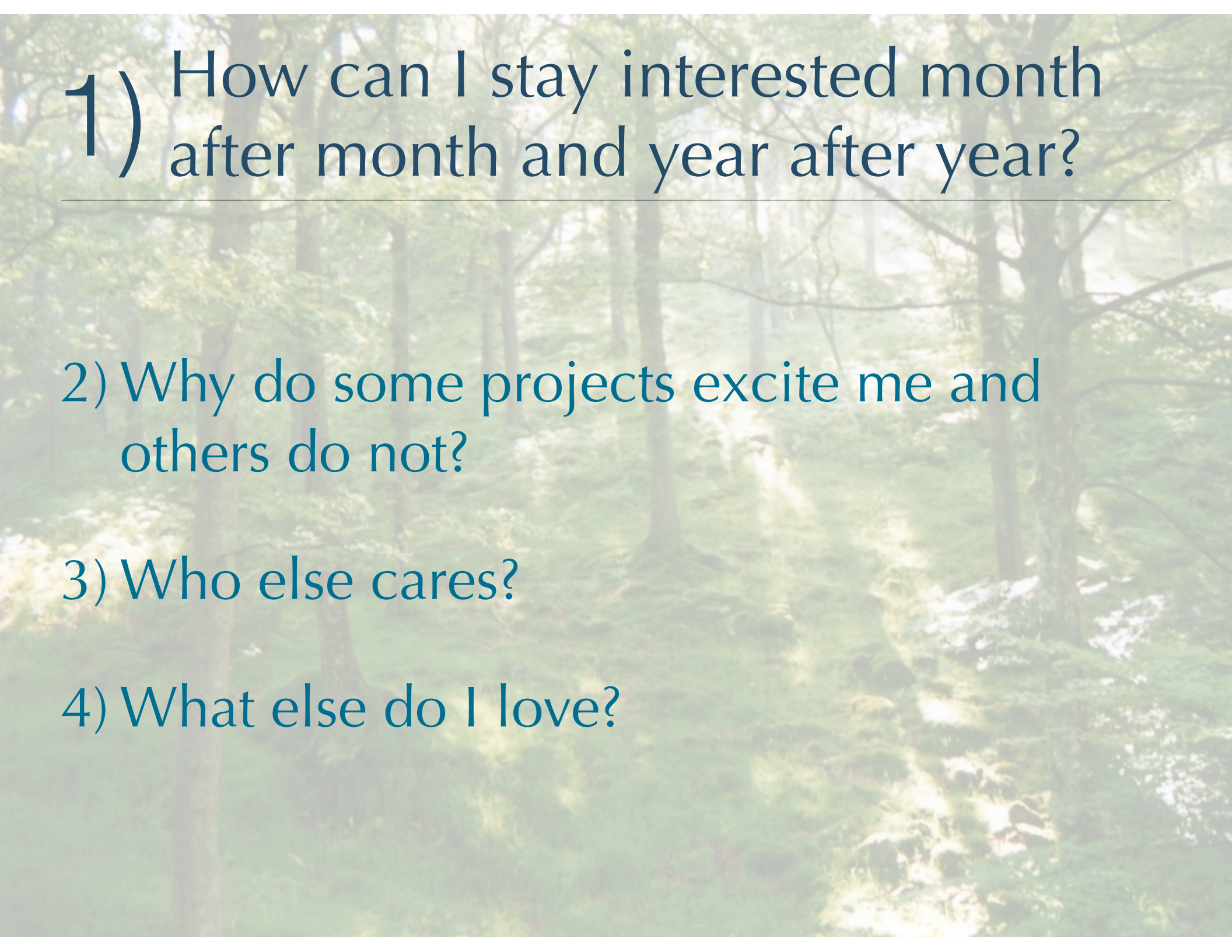
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1) How can I stay interested month after month and year after year?

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2) Why do some projects excite me and others do not?

3) Who else cares?

4) What else do I love?





5) How do I make it less painful?

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6) How important are blocks of time for me?

7) Do I struggle most with switching costs or restarting costs?

8) What can I do well in a given block of time?

9) How do I control teaching?

10) What will I do the next time I am in my workspace?

A full-page background image showing a peaceful sunset over a beach. The sky is filled with soft, colorful clouds in shades of orange, pink, and blue. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm glow. In the foreground, gentle waves are washing onto a sandy beach. In the distance, a dark, silhouetted island or headland is visible across the water.

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