New Balance Plant Tour
Lets Go To The Gemba!

Takt Time
45 Seconds Per Pair
Learning Objectives

At the end of this module, you will be able to:

• Name some lean terms, tools, and principles
• Summarize some enablers and barriers to implementing lean
• State the benefits of lean implementation at New Balance
Watch the Video

Video Clip by Irene Kneeland
“For Athletic Shoe Company, the Soul of Lean Management Is Problem Solving”, Lean Enterprise Institute, June 24, 2008
http://www.lean.org/Community/Registered/SuccessStories.cfm
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What to Watch For

- Locate the Plant Tour Notes page in your folder
- Write down terms, key points and questions
- Contribute your observations to the class discussion

Plant Tour Notes
Record observations to contribute to the post tour discussion.
If you need more space, use the other side.
Save the sheet in your notebook.

Lean terminology, tools or principles that I heard

Enablers & barriers to implementing lean that were mentioned

Benefits from lean implementation that were explained.