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(c) Human capital analytics to improve decisions around talent and work design  
(d) Organization design and effectiveness

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