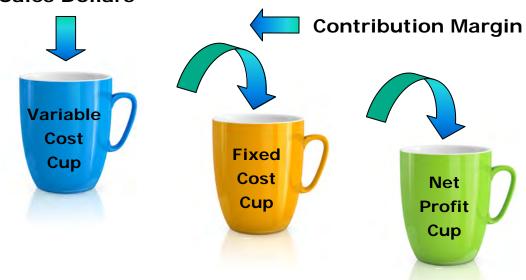


## The Cup Theory

## The Concept of Contribution Margin

## **Sales Dollars**



## To Calculate Break-even:

1. Separate into fixed (F) and variable (V)

2. 
$$VC\% = \frac{Variable\ Costs}{Sales}\ X\ 100 = \frac{\%}{Sales}$$
  
Contribution Margin % = 100% - VC% = \_\_\_\_\_\_

3. FC \$: Total all FC = FC \$

4. Break-even = 
$$\frac{FC}{100\% - VC\%} = \frac{FC}{CM\%} = $$$

5. If  $FC \uparrow f$  or  $FC \lor f$  by \$1:

$$\frac{1}{100\% - VC\%} = \$ \text{ must go } \spadesuit \text{ or } \Psi \text{ by } \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$