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Skills Assessment Worksheet

Transferable skills generally are not associated with a particular job or task. Transferable skills are usually broader and related to leadership, communication, critical thinking, analysis, and organization. These are skills that can be transferred and utilized in a variety of different kinds of jobs and career paths.

For the list of skills below mark each column as described. You can mark more than one column and you can also not mark any columns for certain skills.

- 1. What skills have you already acquired and feel competent doing? In the first column, mark each skill in which you feel competent.
- 2. What skills do you enjoy, even if you are not proficient at them? In the second column, mark those skills that you really enjoy.
- 3. What skills would you like to learn, acquire or develop further?

Communication Skills	Feel Competent	Enjoy/ Favorites	Would Like to Develop
Speak, debate, advocate, present or demonstrate an idea in public			
Facilitate a meeting			
Reading and following directions			
Comparing or cross-checking two lists			
Filling out forms accurately			
Writing reports, letters and memos correctly			
Reading and understanding policies and memos			
Comfortably speaking to others you do not know			
Taking notes while someone speaks			
Finding information			
Explaining things to other people			
Know when to ask for help or more explanation			
Counsel or advise others			
Listening to others			
Others:			

Management and Self-Management Skills	Feel Competent	Enjoy/ Favorites	Would Like to Develop
Administer and set goals/ priorities			
Plan or make decisions			
Anticipate, initiate, assess needs			
Manage people- delegate tasks, direct, oversee, motivate			
Sell, negotiate, convince, promote or persuade			
Being patient with others			
Keeping a cheerful attitude			
Getting interested/excited about the task at hand			
Offering to help when it's needed			
Knowing how to take direction			
Motivating myself to do what needs to get done			
Helping motivate others to get the job done			
Prioritizing tasks so that the larger goal is met on time			
Following the rules			
Presenting a neat and professional image			
Checking your own work			
Using courtesy when dealing with others			
Seeking help when needed			
Being eager to learn			
Speaking up for yourself			
Solving problems in a cooperative way			
Other:			

Number Skills	Feel	Enjoy/	Would Like
	Competent	Favorites	to Develop
Compute, calculate, compare or record numbers			

Forecast, appraise or estimate numerical information		
Doing arithmetic correctly		
Using percentages and decimals		
Estimating costs and/or time needed to complete a job		
Using a database program on a computer		
Using a spreadsheet on a computer		
Creating and managing a budget		
Other:		

Creative Skills	Feel Competent	Enjoy/ Favorites	Would Like to Develop
Perceive intuitively, sense, show insight or have foresight			
Use artistic ability, photograph, decorate, paint or sculpt			
Use creativity, visualize, imagine, brainstorm or design			
Use musical ability, sing, compose or play instruments			
Presenting artistic ideas			
Visualizing shapes			
Designing			
Drawing, illustrating, sketching			
Other:			

People and Social Skills	Feel Competent	Enjoy/ Favorites	Would Like to Develop
Care, treat, heal, nurse or rehabilitate others			
Counsel, empower, coach, guide or listen to individuals			
Host, comfort, please, make welcome or serve customers			
Plan social, recreational or other group events			
Problem-solve, mediate or network with people			
Teach, train, instruct, inform or explain to groups			

Caring for children responsibly		
Caring for the sick and elderly		
Calming people down		
Helping people complete a task		
Knowing how to get along with different people/personalities		
Leading groups or activities		
Other:		

Critical Thinking Skills	Feel Competent	Enjoy/ Favorites	Would Like to Develop
Analyze, use logic, problem solve, examine			
Conceptualize, adapt, develop, hypothesize or discover			
Evaluate, assess, test, appraise, diagnose			
Observe, reflect, study or notice			
Research, investigate, read or interview			
Synthesize, integrate, unify or conceptualize ideas			
Other:			

Business Skills	Feel Competent	Enjoy/ Favorites	Would Like to Develop
Working with computers			
Using a business telephone			
Working with budgets			
Account, budget, program or systematize financial data			
Attend to detail, copy, inspect or transcribe			
Setting up and closing out a cash register			
Managing money and bills			
Organizing, filing, updating, categorizing or arranging information			

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Writing business documents		
Other:		
Other:		
Other:		

Technical Skills	Feel Competent	Enjoy/ Favorites	Would Like to Develop
Use physical coordination			
Build or construct things or structures			
Do skilled crafts or use hand coordination with tools			
Operate vehicles, machines or electronic equipment			
Repair or set up machines or equipment			
Installing things			
Work with earth and nature			
Gardening, landscaping and farming			
Other:			

- 1. From the list above, referring to column 2, list your top five to ten favorite skills that you would most enjoy utilizing in your work (even if you are not proficient at them yet)? *Include the main skill category.*
- 2. Which of the favorite skills listed above do you consider strengths or things that you are very good at (both column 1 and 2 would probably be marked)? *Include the main skill category.*
- 3. Which (top five) skills would you like to develop, improve and/or learn (refer to skills marked in column 3)? *Include the main skill category.*