

# self-improvement

*the improvement of one's knowledge, status, or character by one's own efforts*



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## ***Why Is Self Improvement Important in the Workplace?***

**It Encourages You to Break out of Your Comfort Zone** One area of self improvement involves interrogating your areas of weakness, which will serve to push you out of your comfort zone. In the workplace, this will likely translate to aspects of your role that you dislike or are the least adept at performing. By confronting these head-on, your experience and confidence will grow.

**It Boosts Your Self-esteem** Self improvement might involve learning a new skill, taking up a hobby, or reading more widely. Ticking off self-assigned goals is a natural confidence-booster. When you feel good about yourself and your capabilities, your performance in the workplace will be stronger.

**It Helps You Figure out Your Priorities** Taking the time to focus on your personal development will compel you to become more self-aware by examining your core values, motivations, and life ambitions. You'll learn new things about yourself, which will impact how you perform at work.

**It Improves Your Work-life Balance** With any luck, focusing on self improvement will encourage you to pursue a healthy work-life balance — if you didn't already have one. You may decide that you need to find more time for yourself and your loved ones and take better care of your mental health.

**It Helps You Receive Constructive Feedback** Sometimes we can feel defensive when someone is giving us constructive criticism. If we keep a perspective of growth and self improvement, we realize that feedback is not intended to hurt our feelings.

There's no right or wrong way to commit to personal development. Ultimately, you need to approach this process in a way that works for you, whether that means focusing on improving your wellbeing or working on addressing your weak spots. Here are some options to consider:

Take up a new hobby

Learn a language

Focus on actively listening to those around you

Read widely. Read diverse authors, non-fiction, and fiction. Learn about history and culture and politics, and the experiences of people who are different from yourself. This will, in turn, help you to develop your emotional quotient (EQ).

Work to improve your time management and assess your work-life balance

Try to develop a growth mindset

Go out of your way to meet new people

Focus on self-care

Learn to embrace change