

willingness to learn

being open to – or seeking out – new experiences, skills and information that improve our abilities



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A willingness to learn is the desire to gain knowledge and develop skills to improve your work performance. Employees who demonstrate a willingness to learn are typically always searching for new opportunities to stay ahead of modern trends, achieve professional goals and complete more challenging tasks.

Learning is a long-life process and the knowledge that you have ***is never enough***. There is always more to know and *thinking you currently know all you need to is an error in judgment*. The desire to learn is among the best characteristics a person can possess.

The Importance of having a willingness to learn:

Gives you the ability to create.

Open doors to you for career and business success.

The more you know, the more valuable of an employee you may be.

Helps you to deal with the unexpected.

Helps you improve self-confidence.

How to improve your willingness to learn skills:

Be open to taking feedback and advice from the right people! Search and ask for opinions of other people who are competent in the area you want to develop. Listen carefully to their points of view. There is a lot to learn from highly-educated and competent people.

Read stories about successful people. You can learn a lot from their experience. It is so motivating to learn about someone who was born poor but still went on to achieve wonders.

Don't be scared of failure. Learn from it. There are many people that learn a lot, then fail, then get scared and then stop learning. It is a mistake! All of us will meet failure soon or later. Look at failure as a way to learn more new things. Turn the failure into motivation to succeed, not into a reason to give up.

Find out what are your weaknesses and gaps in the field you want to develop. When people know what their gaps are, they want to fill them! List down all your weaknesses and think about ways to resolve them.

Be open to further training. Regardless of the stage of your career, express interest in developing your skills and knowledge. Ask about further training and development. It expresses your willingness to learn and grow.