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Question - 1:

Tell me about the most fun you have had on the job?

Ans:

When answering this question, discuss situations where you completed tasks benefitting your previous employers.

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Question - 2:

What motivates you?

Ans:

I've always been motivated by the challenge - in my last role, I was responsible for training our new recruits and having a 100% success rate in passing scores. I know that this job is very fast-paced and I'm more than up for the challenge. In fact, I thrive on it.

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Question - 3:

How do you adapt to new working environments As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

It's important that you demonstrate that you can adapt to changing environments quickly. You want to stress that you can manage change. The one thing in life that is constant after all, is change.

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Question - 4:

How do you rate yourself in computer skills? Please describe the programs and software that you can use well?

Ans:

Ideally you want to be able to type quickly, have the ability to effectively use Microsoft Office, and more importantly be able to quickly adapt to computer / technology skills. More and more it's become an integral part of work. If the job doesn't require technology skills - then this question shouldn't be asked!

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Question - 5:

Who are your heroes?

Ans:

Have at least one person you consider a hero or role model. Be ready to explain why they are a hero to you and how they've inspired you to be a better person.

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Question - 6:

When were you most satisfied in your job As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

I'm a people person. I was always happiest and most satisfied when I was interacting with community residents, making sure I was able to meet their needs and giving them the best possible comfort in a tough situation. It was my favorite part of the job, and it showed. Part of the reason I'm interested in this job is that I know I'd have even more interaction with the public, on an even more critical level.

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Question - 7:

If you were hiring a person for this job As Environmental Engineer, what would you look for?



Ans:

Discuss qualities you possess required to successfully complete the job duties.

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Question - 8:

What can you offer us that someone else can not?

Ans:

Bad Answer: Going negative - if the candidate starts trash talking other candidates, it's a sure sign of a bad attitude. Also, if they can't provide a solid answer, it may show that they lack thorough knowledge of the skills the job requires, and an understanding of where they fit in.

Good answer: The candidate can name specific skills, abilities or understandings they have that apply directly to the job that other candidates are unlikely to have, or are in short supply.

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Question - 9:

In your last job what kinds of pressure did you encounter and how did you react As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

Do not show your fear or uneasiness in handling pressure. Everyone likes to have a worker who can handle pressure calmly and with a clear train of thought. Show how you would logically come to a conclusion in a pressure filled situation.

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Question - 10:

Explain me about a problem or disagreement you had with previous supervisor?

Ans:

This question is trap. It is meant to see whether or not you'll speak poorly of an employer. No one wants to hire someone who's going to speak poorly of them down the road. Stay upbeat and positive - and most of all don't say anything negative about a previous employer.

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Question - 11:

Why did you select the University _____?

Ans:

Discuss the academic program, the extracurricular program(s), the school spirit, the quality of your peers, and the professors.

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Question - 12:

You notice there are too many non productive internal meetings being held, what do you do?

Ans:

Reach out to your boss and let him know that first you value his leadership and organization but that you are being overwhelmed with the amount of non productive internal meetings.

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Question - 13:

What do you consider to be your greatest strength?

Ans:

There isn't any right answer. Just make sure to make your response positive and true. A few good examples include: Your ability to solve complex problems, Your ability to work well on a team, Your ability to shine under pressure, Your ability to focus in chaotic situations, Your ability to prioritize and organize, Your ability to cut through the fluff to identify the real issues, Your ability to influence other positively. If your strength relates to the position in question that will be more beneficial - but again be honest, don't create a strength for yourself just because you think it will sound good.

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Question - 14:

Are you willing to work in shifts?

Ans:

If the job calls for shifts that vary, be ready to do that for your work. If you aren't open to that, then explain why and see if they can adjust it for you.

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Question - 15:

How do you keep others informed on work issues?

Ans:

Possible methods:

Talking to them, emailing them, sharing best practices in meetings

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Question - 16:



Tell me about yourself?

Ans:

There are some questions that your potential employer aren't allowed to ask (but trust me, they probably want to). For instance, they shouldn't really ask about your family or how far away you live from your potential place of employment. If you can find a way to answer these questions anyway (with the answers they want to hear), that will give them a little added info to help them make the (right) decision!

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Question - 17:

What three character traits would your friends use to describe you?

Ans:

Friends would typically use attributes like (assuming you have these): Trustworthy, honest, hardworking, friendly, courageous, nice, diligent, organized and so forth. Not saying you have all of these, but the best way for you to find out is to survey your friends by asking them what they consider your brand to be.

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Question - 18:

How well do you know our company?

Ans:

Well, a developed company that is gradually building their reputation in the competitive world.

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Question - 19:

What are your greatest professional strengths As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

When answering this question, we recommends being accurate (share your true strengths, not those you think the interviewer wants to hear); relevant (choose your strengths that are most targeted to this particular position As Environmental Engineer); and specific (for example, instead of "people skills," choose "persuasive communication" or "relationship building"). Then, follow up with an example of how you've demonstrated these traits in a professional setting.

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Question - 20:

Who has been an inspiration for you?

Ans:

Cite your role models (possible examples could be your parents, people successful in the industry, world leaders, etc)

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Question - 21:

If the company you worked for was doing something unethical or illegal, what would you do?

Ans:

Report it to the leaders within the company. True leaders understand business ethics are important to the company's longevity

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Question - 22:

Tell me about a time you failed?

Ans:

Everyone has failed, so don't play dumb or claim you've never messed up As Environmental Engineer. Think of a time when a work-related situation didn't turn out quite as you had hoped. An interviewer is interested in seeing how you took responsibility for your failure, what you learned from it, and how you would prevent similar failures from happening again.

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Question - 23:

How much are you willing to sacrifice to be successful at work As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

With anything comes sacrifice. The questions is how much of it are you willing to sacrifice with regards to work life balance, stress, etc?

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Question - 24:

What skills do you bring to the table?

Ans:

Think of your skill sets with regards to: analytical skills, interpersonal skills, communication skills, computer skills, presentation skills, management skills, sales skills and so forth.

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Question - 25:



How well do you know this industry?

Ans:

Two things businesses need to pay attention to in their industries are what their competition is doing and the customers. You may not always agree with your competitors but it is important to be aware of what changes they are making. Very well. I have been in the industry for over 6 years.

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Question - 26:

Tell me an occasion when you needed to persuade someone to do something?

Ans:

Interpersonal relationships are a very important part of being a successful care assistant. This question is seeking a solid example of how you have used powers of persuasion to achieve a positive outcome in a professional task or situation. The answer should include specific details.

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Question - 27:

What do you know about this company?

Ans:

Research the company on Google by searching recent news (to remain current on them) and their website. Make sure you understand their products / services, vision, competitive differentiators, and work culture.

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Question - 28:

If you could offer suggestions on how to improve our company, what would you say?

Ans:

Examine the trends of the company and also where there may be some weaknesses (news articles often document this on public companies or look at their competitors to see how they're positioning it against them.) Then, once you have that knowledge, think creatively on how you could improve upon that weakness for them.

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Question - 29:

If you look at a clock and the time is 3:15, what's the angle between the hour and the minute hands?

Ans:

Usually, if the answer to a brainteaser seems too easy, chances are the answer's wrong. And in this case, the answer is not zero degrees. The hour hand, remember, moves as well. That is, in addition to the minute hand. And so, at 3:15, the hour hand and the minute hand are not on top of each other. In fact, the hour hand has moved a quarter of the way between the 3 and 4. This means it's moved a quarter of 30 degrees (360 degrees divided by 12 equals 30). So the answer, to be exact, is seven and a half degrees (30 divided by four).

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Question - 30:

Why do you want to join our company?

Ans:

This is a question that is aimed at finding out whether you know enough about the company and the basic market. The best way to answer this question is to do some research on the company and highlight its positive points.

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Question - 31:

What other jobs are you applying for As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

If you're applying with other similar companies in a similar or the same industry, it's actually okay to state that as it shows you're valued and wanted.

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Question - 32:

What differentiates this company from other competitors?

Ans:

Be positive and nice about their competitors but also discuss how they are better than them and why they are the best choice for the customer. For example: "Company XYZ has a good product, but I truly believe your company has a 3-5 year vision for your customer that aligns to their business needs."

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Question - 33:

Why do you want to work in this industry As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

Make sure you research the industry first. Then find at least 3 core things about that industry that you're passionate about (for example: how their solutions impact clients, their culture, the leadership, etc)



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Question - 34:

How do you stay up to date with industry?

Ans:

Discuss how you stay up to date by reading industry specific sites, magazines, and Google / yahoo news. Also make sure you stay up to date by reading the current news on the company's website.

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Question - 35:

What types of situations do you consider "unfixable"?

Ans:

Most situations are "fixable" - the ones that are not are typically related to business ethics (someone is cheating the company, someone is stealing, etc)

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Question - 36:

What motivates you to work As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

Describe what makes you passionate about the work. It could be the company's vision, the product, your desire to succeed, the clients, your peers and so on. They key is to first understand what internally motivates you to do your job and then to emphasize that in a positive way

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Question - 37:

What is your biggest regret to date and why?

Ans:

Describe honestly the regretful action / situation you were in but then discuss how you proactively fixed / improved it and how that helped you to improve as a person/worker.

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Question - 38:

What have you done to prepare yourself to be a supervisor?

Ans:

1. Learn from current supervisors (best practices)
2. Mentor others
3. Be exceptionally good at your current job so that it builds your credibility
4. Have a high emotional IQ

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Question - 39:

Why should we give you this job As Environmental Engineer when someone else is equally qualified?

Ans:

Describe how you're unique, but make sure you tie it to the job responsibilities and how you would impact the company. For example, "I believe my unique programming skills and experience in developing over 18 best selling iphone apps will help the company develop high quality applications faster than my competitors"

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Question - 40:

Explain me about a challenge or conflict you've faced at work As Environmental Engineer, and how you dealt with it?

Ans:

In asking this interview question, your interviewer wants to get a sense of how you will respond to conflict. Anyone can seem nice and pleasant in a job interview, but what will happen if you're hired?. Again, you'll want to use the S-T-A-R method, being sure to focus on how you handled the situation professionally and productively, and ideally closing with a happy ending, like how you came to a resolution or compromise.

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Question - 41:

What are the qualities of a good leader As Environmental Engineer? A bad leader?

Ans:

A good leader provides constructive criticism, motivates and inspires, coaches the mentee to be successful with their set of skills, and encourages them to push themselves. A bad leader only cares about his/her own interests and does not look out for the success of his/her staff.

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Question - 42:

Would you describe yourself as more analytical or interpersonal?



Ans:

If you answer either, just make sure you explain why. For example, "I would consider myself to be more analytical because I'm good at examining a data set and then understanding how to interpret it in a business environment." or "I'm more of an interpersonal person because I enjoy working and collaborating with my teammates and clients"

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Question - 43:

How open are you to relocation?

Ans:

If you're not, then say you're not. Don't lie about it just to get the job. There's no point if you won't move for the job anyway and lying is unethical. If you are open to relocation As Environmental Engineer, let them know which areas you'd be willing to relocate to.

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Question - 44:

Do you have good manners? What types of people need to be treated with good manners?

Ans:

You should have good manners. Everyone should be treated with courtesy and respect.

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Question - 45:

How do you deal with conflict in the workplace As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

When people work together, conflict is often unavoidable because of differences in work goals and personal styles. Follow these guidelines for handling conflict in the workplace.

- * 1. Talk with the other person.
- * 2. Focus on behavior and events, not on personalities.
- * 3. Listen carefully.
- * 4. Identify points of agreement and disagreement.
- * 5. Prioritize the areas of conflict.
- * 6. Develop a plan to work on each conflict.
- * 7. Follow through on your plan.
- * 8. Build on your success.

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Question - 46:

If someone had to say something negative to you, what would they say?

Ans:

Again, be honest about sharing a story here about someone who may not have gotten along with you in the office here and explain how you were able to fix that relationship or change your attitude/action to be a better person / coworker.

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Question - 47:

How would you go about establishing your credibility quickly As Environmental Engineer with the team?

Ans:

Fully understand my responsibilities, work hard and exceed expectations, learn as much as possible, help others as much as possible, understand what my teammates' goals and needs are, be on time, and gain a mentor.

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Question - 48:

How much time do you need to join the organization As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

You should be able to join it right away, barring plans you've already made (family travel, vacation, other obligations). The key is to simply be open in communication of what's already committed on your schedule. Most companies are accommodating. If they are not, weight the importance of joining that company vs. your plans.

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Question - 49:

Do you think a leader should be feared or liked?

Ans:

Liked. You want to work harder for people that inspire and motivate you. Fear only lasts for so long.

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Question - 50:

What are your salary expectations As Environmental Engineer?



Ans:

This question is like a loaded gun, tricky and dangerous if you're not sure what you are doing. It's not uncommon for people to end up talking salary before really selling their skills, but knowledge is power as this is a negotiation after all. Again, this is an area where doing your research will be helpful as you will have an understanding of average salary.

One approach is asking the interviewer about the salary range, but to avoid the question entirely, you can respond that money isn't a key factor and your goal is to advance in your career. However, if you have a minimum figure in mind and you believe you're able to get it, you may find it worth trying.

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Question - 51:

What's the most rewarding work you've ever done and why?

Ans:

Companies love it when you discuss how you've made an impact on your teammates, clients, or partners in the business or in school. It should be rewarding because of the hard work and creative process that you've put into it.

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Question - 52:

Why are you leaving your current job?

Ans:

This is a toughie, but one you can be sure you'll be asked. Definitely keep things positive-you have nothing to gain by being negative about your past employers. Instead, frame things in a way that shows that you're eager to take on new opportunities and that the role you're interviewing for is a better fit for you than your current or last position. For example, "I'd really love to be part of product development from beginning to end, and I know I'd have that opportunity here." And if you were let go? Keep it simple: "Unfortunately, I was let go," is a totally OK answer.

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Question - 53:

How would you rate your communication and interpersonal skills for this job As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

These are important for support workers. But they differ from the communication skills of a CEO or a desktop support technician. Communication must be adapted to the special ways and needs of the clients. Workers must be able to not only understand and help their clients, but must project empathy and be a warm, humane presence in their lives.

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Question - 54:

How long will it take for you to make a significant contribution?

Ans:

First define significant contribution - once you do that - lay out a timeline plan in which you think you can achieve that.

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Question - 55:

What types of personalities do you work with best?

Ans:

In the past, I have found it difficult to work with others who see themselves as better than others, who can take criticism, and who refuse to work with others. I have found it challenging to work with them b/c I am a team oriented person who feels the importance of working together over the needs of the individual especially in a learning environment.

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Question - 56:

Describe to me the position As Environmental Engineer you're applying for?

Ans:

This is a "homework" question, too, but it also gives some clues as to the perspective the person brings to the table. The best preparation you can do is to read the job description and repeat it to yourself in your own words so that you can do this smoothly at the interview.

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Question - 57:

What would you do if our competitor offered you a position As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

I would weigh the offer and consider it, however, this company and this role is my first choice.

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Question - 58:

How do you plan to go by an example for your subordinates?

Ans:

Sticking to the rules by yourself, working hard and not mind participating on basic tasks is a good answer.



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Question - 59:

What do you expect to be earning in 5 years As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

Discuss how you expect yourself to be excellent at your job. Thus, it would be reasonable to expect pay that is based on the merit of your work.

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Question - 60:

What techniques and tools do you use to keep yourself organized As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

Utilizing a calendar, having a notebook with your "to do" list, focusing on your top 3 priorities each and every day, utilizing a systematic way of storing documents on your computer (like box.net)

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Question - 61:

What is your greatest weakness As Environmental Engineer? What are you doing to improve it?

Ans:

I believe my biggest weakness As Environmental Engineer is wanting to help anyone I can help. What I mean is I am willing to take on task that are not my job. I want to learn all I can. However, that has helped me get promoted or even asked to help in times of need in other department. I have been know as the "go to person" when help is needed.

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Question - 62:

How much do you expect to get paid As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

For this be prepared and research salary to find out what similar positions are paying in your area before you go to the interview. Try to find this information out before giving your salary expectations. You can and should provide a range instead of an exact number. But again, don't say any numbers you're not comfortable with because if the employer offers you a salary at the lowest end of your range, you don't have much to negotiate with when it comes to getting a higher salary.

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Question - 63:

Give me an example of when you competed hard and won?

Ans:

You can reference many different areas here when discussing a story of where you won in competition: Work experience (ideal), sports, clubs, classes, projects.

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Question - 64:

If I talked to your three biggest fans, who would they be and why?

Ans:

If you can reference three professionals with executive titles (CXO, VP, Director, Manager), that carries a lot of weight. Make sure you highlight how you've helped them achieve their biggest objectives and how that's made them your fan.

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Question - 65:

How do you ensure all of your work gets accomplished in a productive manner?

Ans:

The key is to prioritize what's important in your work and to stay organized to accomplish the tasks. A strong work ethic also helps.

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Question - 66:

How have you changed in the last five years?

Ans:

All in a nutshell. But I think I've attained a level of personal comfort in many ways and although I will change even more in the next 5-6 years I'm content with the past 6 and what has come of them.

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Question - 67:

What were the responsibilities of your last position As Environmental Engineer?

Ans:

If you want to show your ambition, you can discuss how you haven't reached all of your goals yet and in that sense aren't satisfied. However, if you want to discuss satisfaction from your job discuss an experience in which you achieved something.



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Question - 68:

Explain an idea that you have had and have then implemented in practice?

Ans:

Often an interview guide will outline the so-called 'STAR' approach for answering such questions; Structure the answer as a situation, task, action, and result: what the context was, what you needed to achieve, what you did, and what the outcome was as a result of your actions.

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Question - 69:

Tell me about the last time you had to work with someone inside or outside of your department to accomplish a goal?

Ans:

Show that you were communicative with that person and that you were able to collaborate effectively in sharing ideas and work tasks. They want to see that you can be a team player.

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Question - 70:

How do you keep each member of the team involved and motivated?

Ans:

Many managers mistakenly think that money is the prime motivator for their employees. However, according to surveys by several different companies, money is consistently ranked five or lower by most employees. So if money is not the best way to motivate your team, what is?

Employees' three most important issues according to employees are:

- * Respect
- * A sense of accomplishment
- * Recognition

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