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#### Agenda

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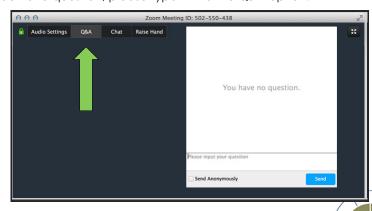
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Imagine you are at an interview, for your dream job....

# How will you sell yourself to a potential employer?







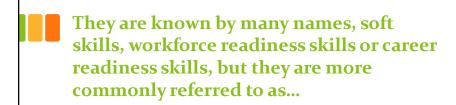
What skills and traits you may see as important to sell to your students' potential boss may not be the same things they are looking for...

More importantly, the skills that you may be focusing on may not align with that perfect job your students are preparing for...





Is there a common set of core skills employers are looking for, regardless of employment level or workforce sector?



#### **EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS**





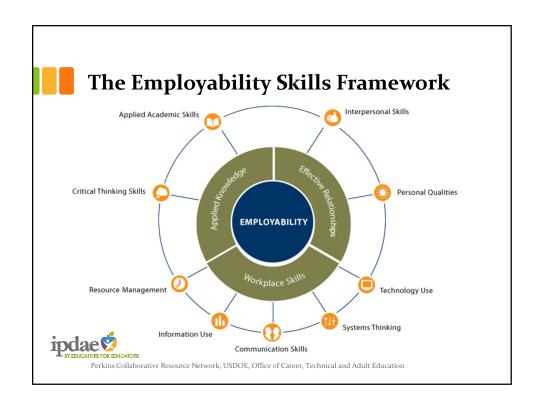


#### Tell me more about these core skills...

#### They are categorized into 3 broad categories:

- **1. Applied Knowledge** the thoughtful integration of academic knowledge and technical skills, put to practical use in the workplace.
- **2. Effective Relationships** the interpersonal skills and personal qualities that enable individuals to interact effectively with clients, coworkers, and supervisors.
- 3. Workplace Skills the analytical and organizational skills and understandings that employees need to successfully perform work tasks.





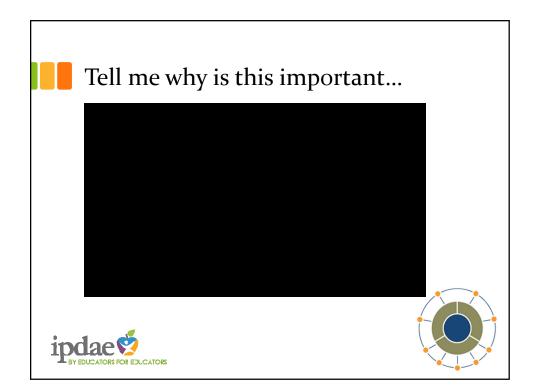


#### The Employability Skills Framework

This framework was developed by the Perkins Collaborative Resource Network, under the direction of the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Career, Technical and Adult Education (OVAE) for students, educators, employers and policymakers to establish a common language to encompass the core set of skills needed to be successful in the workplace at all employment levels and in all sectors.









## Applied Knowledge

Applied academic skills enable employees to put skills based on academic disciplines and learning—such as reading, writing, mathematical strategies and procedures, and scientific principles and procedures—to practical use in the workplace. They include:

- · Uses reading skills
- Uses writing skills
- · Uses mathematical strategies and procedures
- · Uses scientific principles and procedures





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#### Applied Knowledge

**Critical thinking skills** enable employees to think critically and creatively in the context of their work, solve work-based problems, and make sound decisions at work. They include:

- · Thinks critically
- Thinks creatively
- Makes sound decisions
- Solves problems
- Reasons
- Plans and organizes



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#### Reflection:



Why do you think employers value critical thinking and applied academic skills?







## **Effective Relationships**

**Interpersonal skills** enable employees to collaborate as a member of a team or work independently, as appropriate, and contribute to the overarching goals of the workplace. They include:

- · Understands teamwork and works with others
- Responds to customer needs
- Exercises leadership
- Negotiates to resolve conflicts
- Respects individual differences





### Effective Relationships

**Personal qualities** include a set of behaviors and skills that enable employees to establish effective relationships and function appropriately in the workplace. They include:

- Demonstrates responsibility and self-discipline
- · Adapts and shows flexibility
- Works independently
- · Demonstrates a willingness to learn
- · Demonstrates integrity
- Demonstrates professionalism
- Takes initiative
- · Displays positive attitude and sense of self-worth
- · Takes responsibility for professional growth

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#### Reflection:



Why do you think effective relationships is crucial to the success of any employee?







# Workplace Skills

Communication skills enable employees to successfully perform work tasks by communicating effectively with others in multiple formats. They include:

- Communicates verbally
- · Listens actively
- Comprehends written material
- Conveys information in writing
- · Observes carefully











## Workplace Skills

Resource management skills enable employees to successfully perform work tasks by managing time and other resources. They include:

- · Manages time
- Manages money
- Manages materials
- Manages personnel







# Workplace Skills

**Information use skills** enable employees to successfully perform work tasks by understanding, evaluating, and using a variety of information. They include:

- Locates information
- Organizes information
- Uses information
- Analyzes information
- Communicates information







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## Workplace Skills

**Systems thinking skills** enable employees to successfully perform work tasks by understanding relationships among the components of a system. They include:

- Understands and uses systems
- Monitors systems
- Improves systems









# Workplace Skills

**Technology use skills** enable employees to successfully perform work tasks by applying information technology appropriately and effectively. They include:

· Understands and uses technology

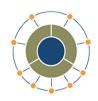




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#### Reflection:

How can you improve your students' employability skills in school, on the job or while looking for a job?







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