

Successful Leaders

This segment is designed to help you become more aware about the traits that successful leaders share, and help you assess your own leadership ability.

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Overview

- Traits of managers
- Traits of leaders
- Differences between leaders and managers
- Communication: the critical success factor
- Five questions to assess leadership potential

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What makes a leader successful?

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Managerial traits:

- Planner
- Controller
- Organizer
- Deals with objects and programs

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Traits of successful leaders

- Communicator, strategizes, and coaches
- Able to effectively delegate
- Looks at the bigger picture
- Good followers
- Aligns goals with those of the organization
- Are good managers

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Differences between managers and leaders:

- Managers work with objects and programs, logic and analysis
- Leaders succeed with people -- they motivate and inspire
- Managers are not necessarily leaders, and vice versa
- Successful leaders however, also cultivate their managerial skills, and focus their efforts to accomplish the mission

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Communication: critical success factor

- Communicating thoughts to your members
- Listening to your members

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Five questions:

- Are you a manager, leader, or both?
- What skills will you share?
- What skills will you improve?
- How do you accomplish the mission?
- What will you do differently next week?

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Questions & Answers