

Critical Leadership Skills

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Key Traits That Can Make or Break Today's Leaders

The ability to communicate – most important

□ Regarding roles, goals, expectations, specific behaviors

Effective people management – second most important

Direction, support, and valuing employee input

Empathy and EQ – third most important

□ To seek to understand, build rapport and trust



What is the Biggest Mistake Leaders Make?

Inappropriate use of communication / listening	41%
Under-or oversupervising, delegating, or directing	27%
Lack of management skills	14%
Lack of support / inappropriate support	12%
Lack of accountability	5%



What is the Most Critical skill a Leader Can Possess?

	Communication / listening	43%
•	Effective management skills	17%
•	EQ and empathy	15%
•	Values and integrity	8%
	Vision	6%
	Empowerment	6%



What Are The Top Five Things That Leaders Most Often Fail To Do When Working With Others?

1.	Failing to provide appropriate feedback	82%
2.	Failing to listen to or involve others in the process	81%
3.	Failing to use appropriate leadership style	76%
4.	Failing to set clear goals and objectives	76%
5.	Failing to train and develop their people	59%