



# Transferable skills employers are looking for

Transferable skills can make you really stand out to employers, **even if you don't have specific experience in their industry.** If you don't have any previous work experience, these can also be gained **from hobbies, voluntary work or even playing sport.** If you can normally get out of doing the dishes, you've inadvertently been practicing your influencing skills!

**People Skills**  
**Convincing others** and **listening well** are really valuable, particularly in customer service and sales jobs.  
**Working as a team** not only drives **greater productivity** for the business, but it also builds **healthy and supportive relationships** to make it a great place to work.

**Creativity**  
Whether you come up with a new, inventive idea or **find a solution to a difficult problem, thinking outside of the box** and displaying creativity can make a real difference in many jobs.



Watch the clip  
[What employers want](https://youtu.be/ivs9S67wdEI)  
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**Adaptability**  
Being adaptable means you are able to **respond quickly to changing ideas, responsibilities, expectations,** and other processes at work. It's a good way to show you're **flexible** and eager to learn.

**Time management**  
Being able to **monitor your workload** and **meet deadlines** is an important skill in any job, and it helps you make the most of your time to accomplish more in shorter periods.  
When you next apply for a job, start by **making a list of all the ways you've built up transferable skills,** and explain how you have used them in your CV or job application.

**Leadership**  
Being someone who can **coach, empower and support** those around you is a great skill in the workplace. It helps you get the best out of the team you are working in.