Differences between the East and the West in Workplace

Everything is relative, the differences in workplace being no exception. Everyone may agree that there are wide differences in workplace between East and West, which the same as human behavior and the way of thinking, result from cultural differences. I want to discuss these differences in two aspects, business and time sensitivity.

Business: When doing business in China, be prepared for much socializing. Business becomes secondary as the parties get to know each better. If it delays a contract, that is perfectly acceptable as long as the correct social time is allotted for. In contrast, in America, business associates are usually more aloof. There might be some social gathering but the business is more important and the socializing will be sacrificed to get the job done if needed. Though there seems to be shift in America regarding this. The recognition of networking is becoming more pronounced.

Time Sensitivity: Crossing cultures for business can be frustrating when it interferes with getting the job done. Most Americans are very time sensitive when it comes to meetings and deadlines. If the meeting was to commence at 2:00, then all parties are to be present at that time. The Chinese do not view time as an absolute but more as a suggestion. Concern is not expressed for a meeting starting late or ending at a different time. The same can be applied to deadlines. If a report is due on Friday, an American would be waiting for that report to be received before end of business day.The Chinese would not worry if it showed up several days later.

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Write an argumentative essay no less than 150 words. You can refer to Text A Unit 1 and Pay attention to the structure of your writing as well as the dictions

Nowadays a great number of graduate are confused about looking a job, which result from lacking of qualities and skills that employers seek for. When it comes to the topic “Have We got What We Need?”, many of us will say no or at least not very well.

In order to avoid being confused when become graduate, we should know what qualities and skills that employers need. First of all, effective communication: Employers seek candidates who can listen to instructions and act on those instructions with minimal guidance. They want employees who speak, write, and listen effectively, organize their thoughts logically, and explain everything clearly. Second, Problem-solving/Creativity: Employers always want people who can get them out of a pickle. Problem-solving ability can aid you with making transactions, processing data, formulating a vision, and reaching a resolution. Employers need the assurance that you can conquer job challenges by thinking critically and creatively. Third, teamwork skills: The ability to work well with others while pursuing a common goal is a long-running favorite of employers. But so is the ability to work with minor supervision.