

Practice Activity

As a product manager, you are responsible for leading and motivating a team of individuals with diverse skill sets to achieve common goals. In this exercise, you will have the opportunity to reflect on your leadership and people management skills, identify areas for improvement, and develop actionable steps for growth.

Instructions:

1. Reflect on your current leadership and people management style. What are your strengths and weaknesses? What has worked well for you in the past, and what have been some challenges?
2. Identify an area for improvement in your leadership and people management style. This could be anything from better communication skills to more effective delegation.
3. Research best practices for the area you identified. Look for resources such as articles, books, videos, and workshops.
4. Develop an action plan to improve your skills in this area. This should include specific steps you will take and a timeline for implementation.
5. Seek feedback from a trusted colleague or mentor on your action plan.
6. Implement your action plan and regularly reflect on your progress. What is working well, and what changes do you need to make?
7. Repeat the process, identifying a new area for improvement, and continually growing as a leader and people manager.

Effective leadership and people management are critical skills for product managers, and there is always room for growth. Embrace this opportunity to reflect, learn, and develop, and you will become an even more effective and successful leader.