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Challenges in IT Industry Today

What are the people challenges in IT industry today?

There are a variety of people related challenges that the IT industry is currently facing.

Some examples include:

- Attracting and retaining talent: With the increasing demand for technology professionals, companies are facing competition for top talent.
- Diversity and inclusion: The IT industry has traditionally been male dominated and lacking in diversity, and many companies are now working to address this imbalance.
- Managing remote teams: With the shift to remote work due to the COVID 19 pandemic, many companies are struggling to effectively manage and collaborate with distributed teams.
- Managing a multigenerational workforce: With the increasing age diversity of the workforce, companies are facing challenges in managing and motivating employees from different age groups.

How can IT industry solve the above issues?

There are several strategies that the IT industry can use to address the people related challenges that I mentioned in my previous answer. Some examples include:

- Attracting and retaining talent: Companies can attract top talent by offering competitive
 compensation and benefits packages, as well as opportunities for career development
 and growth. They can also retain talent by creating a positive and inclusive culture,
 and by providing regular feedback and recognition for good work.
- Diversity and inclusion: Companies can take steps to increase diversity and inclusion by implementing policies and programs that promote diversity in hiring, training, and promotion. They can also create employee resource groups and mentorship programs to support underrepresented groups.
- Managing remote teams: Companies can manage remote teams effectively by using collaboration tools such as video conferencing and instant messaging, and by setting clear expectations and guidelines for communication and work. They can also create opportunities for remote team members to connect and build relationships with each other.
- Managing a multigenerational workforce: Companies can manage a multigenerational
 workforce effectively by recognizing the different perspectives and strengths that each
 generation brings, and by creating a culture of respect and inclusivity. They can also
 provide training and development opportunities that cater to the different needs of different
 age groups.
- Adapting to changing skill sets: Companies can adapt to changing skill sets by investing in employee training and development, and by providing opportunities for employees to acquire new skills through on the job learning, mentoring, and other programs.

Challenges faced by IT industry in improving the skill sets of employees to make them relevant and future ready.

There are several challenges that the IT industry faces in improving the skill sets of employees to make them relevant and future ready. Some of these challenges include:

- Keeping up with the pace of change: The IT industry is constantly evolving, and new technologies and methodologies are emerging at a rapid pace. It can be difficult for companies to keep up with these changes and ensure that their employees have the necessary skills to stay competitive.
- Identifying the right skills: With so many new technologies and methodologies emerging, it can be difficult for companies to identify which skills are most important for their employees to have. This makes it challenging to create effective training and development programs.
- Limited resources: Companies often have limited resources to invest in employee training and development, which can make it difficult to provide the necessary support for employees to acquire new skills.
- Resistance to change: Some employees may be resistant to change and may be unwilling to invest the time and effort needed to acquire new skills.
- Lack of access to training: Some employees may not have access to the training and development opportunities they need to acquire new skills, either due to geographic location or financial constraints.
- Retaining top talents: Companies may lose their top talents to other companies who
 offer more opportunities for skill development and growth.

To overcome these challenges, companies can invest in creating a culture of continuous learning, providing regular training and development opportunities, identifying the critical skills needed for their industry, incentivizing, and recognizing employees who upskill, and creating a flexible working environment that allows employees to balance their work