





HOW TO WRITE AN EFFECTIVE RESUME

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Today's Road Map



> How to get you noticed by recruiters and employers?

➤ How to format your resume for a professional outlook?

➤ How to structure your resume best to please recruiters and hiring managers?

What research needs to be done before you start writing your resume?

➤ How to write a profile and details of your work experience, education that will grab recruiters' attention?









You've seen an advertisement for your dream job.



You want to send in your resume.



What is a resume?



Your curriculum vitae (CV) or resume is a personal marketing document used to sell yourself to prospective employers.

It should tell them about you, your professional history and your skills, abilities and achievements.

Ultimately, it highlight why you're the best person for the job.



Make an impression within 30 seconds



Robert Williams, a recruitment expert with decades of experience, tells us that a **resume** has a

"30 second eyeball time".



How to make a big impression in a small amount of time?



Consider the following questions:

- Do you want to use an unconventional layout that will make your resume more eyecatching?
- Or are you applying to a more traditional company where a modern looking resume might be frowned upon?
- Would it be more effective to reduce the number of items on your resume to make the most important points stand out clearly?
- How can you rearrange the items so that the most important parts are easily seen by the reader?

Step 01 – Pre resume - writing research





- HTML5/CSS3
- EXPOSURE TO RABBITMQ, MSMQ, NSERVICEBUS (PREFERRED BUT
- COUCHBASE, SQL SERVER, EVENTSTORE, REDIS, RAVEN DB, MONGODB
- EXPERIENCE WITH PM TOOLS SUCH AS GITHUB, TEAMCITY, OCTOPUS
- DEPLOY, SLACK EXPOSURE TO SCRUM / KANBAN DEVELOPMENT METHODOLOGY
- MINIMUM 1+ YEARS'WORK EXPERIENCE. (PREVIOUS EXPOSURE TO OTHER ESSENTIALS
 - INTERNATIONAL IS A DEFINITE ADVANTAGE)
 - POSSESS A IT RELATED DEGREE OR HIGHER QUALIFICATION DEMONSTRATED INITIATIVE AND GOOD ANALYTICAL/PROBLEM

 - MAINTAIN A SENSE OF INDIVIDUALITY IN THINKING AND DECISION
 - PROVEN TRACK RECORD OF BEING A STRONG TEAM PLAYER A POSITIVE AND RESULT-ORIENTED "CAN-DO" ATTITUDE

- Communications
- * Teamwork
- Problem Solving Skills

Knowledge

✓ Industry Specific Skills

✓ IT Specific Knowledge

✓ Languages

✓ Qualifications

Step 02 - Research the company



Finally, don't create a generic resume and then send it out to every job.

No two companies are the same. Your resume should reflect this.

You should make sure that your resume reflects the type of company that you are applying for.

Include information about, what relevant experience you've had. Doing this will show that you understand the position, the company and their needs.

Include language which relates specifically to the job description; perhaps include some industry buzz words.

Remember, adapt the language to fit the position and the company for each application.

Step 03 - Present yourself as a problem-solver



Study the advertisement and try to understand the company's problem.

Next, try to figure out how you should position yourself to make it clear that you would be a good solution to their problem.



Step 04 - Highlight key information



You need to make sure that the key information is as noticeable as possible.

What specific skills, experiences and capabilities do you think are going to be most appealing to people reading your resume?

Take this information and draw attention to it. This could be by:

- separating it out from blocks of text so that it stands out
- putting it in **bold**
- putting it in the top section

Whatever you do, make sure that the reader won't miss it!



Step 05 - Formatting and structuring your resume



Fonts and Colours

Mary Moore | Corporate Receptionist

Location: London Telephone:07777777777 Email: emai@email.com

Professional Profile

Professional and diligent SIA authorised, multi-lingual corporate receptionist, with a track record of delivering excellent customer experience and commanding front of house operations for highly regulated environments and high profile corporate organisations.

With several years of receptionist experience gained working for a number of leading global companies, I have amassed a wealth of experience across customer service, business operations, functions and events management. My dedication to service has seen me win numerous industry awards for consistent delivery of exceptional customer service, and I am proven in my ability to maintain the security, operational efficiency and clearliness of high volume, security critical front of house functions.

Core Skills

- Business Administration
- Reception
- Visitor Logs
- Call Handling

- Customer Experience
- Security
- Meeting Room Booking
- Payment Processing
- Inventory Management
- Evacuation Procedures
- Microsoft Office Suite
- Stakeholder Management

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- A headshot
- Name, professional title and contact details
- Personal profile
 - ✓ Who are you?
 - ✓ What can you offer the company?
 - ✓ What are your career goals?
- Project details/ experience or employment history
- Education and qualifications
- Additional sections
- Key skills
- Hobbies and interests
- References

Before emailing your resume.....



Proofreading and consistency

Your formatting must be consistent throughout your CV to keep it looking slick.

Don't spoil your polished look by including typos and inaccuracies; proofread like a pro to capture every mistake or invest in intelligent spellcheckers.

Saving the file

It's likely you'll send your CV via email.

Save your CV as a pdf file to ensure recruiters can open it on any device. A pdf will also maintain formatting, so you can be sure that employers will see your CV as you intended.



Follow these steps so that

Make Your RESUME as the LAST one employers need to read, and you're the FIRST person they want to call!





Good Luck and Thank You!





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