

RESUME REALITY CHECK

Quantify Everything

The Secret to Making Your Accomplishments Believable

Your resume is full of vague statements:

"Maintained devices."

"Improved performance."

"Supported team members."

These don't prove anything.

They just turn on the BS meter.

THE FIX

Add Numbers

The moment you quantify something, credibility happens.

INSTEAD OF:

"Maintained devices"

SAY:

"Maintained 150+ network devices across 8 facilities, achieving 99.2% uptime"

Vague vs. Credible:

✗ VAGUE

"Improved performance"

"Reduced errors"

"Supported operations"

✓ CREDIBLE

"Reduced API latency by 38%"

"Cut error rates from 2.4% to 0.8%"

"Supported 800+ locations"

WHY IT WORKS

Specific Data = Credibility

Hiring managers review hundreds of resumes.

They've learned to spot vague language instantly.

But when you give them numbers? It cuts through the noise.

It proves you were paying attention to what you were doing.

THE REALITY

You Don't Need Perfect Data

If you don't have exact numbers, estimate.

But estimate conservatively and with research.

- Look at historical data
- Ask a former manager
- Check company reports or benchmarks

A well-researched estimate beats vague language every time.

THE REAL PLAY

Track Your Metrics Today

Don't wait until you need to update your resume.

Start documenting now:

- ▶ Devices supported
- ▶ Response times / latency
- ▶ Error rates and improvements
- ▶ Deployments completed
- ▶ Bugs fixed or prevented
- ▶ Locations / scale impacted

NEXT STEPS

Audit Your Resume

Find every vague statement.

Replace it with a number.

Then, going forward, start tracking.

Your future resume will thank you.