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# SOFT SKILLS FOR DEVELOPERS

THE KEY TO SUCCESS IN TECH

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# WHY SOFT SKILLS?



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# TIME MANAGEMENT

Productivity

Organizational Skills

Effective Scheduling

Focusing Techniques

# COMMUNICATION



- Speaking Skills
- Writing Skills
- Listening Skills
- Interpersonal Skills

## PEOPLE SKILLS

Empathy

Emotional Control

Leadership



Collaboration



Coordination



Respect

TEAMWORK



# INTERVIEWING

Self Promotion

Effective Listening

Negotiation



Training



Teaching

“Life moves pretty fast. If you don’t stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it”

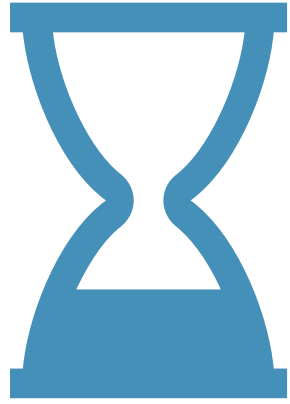
-Ferris Bueller

LEARNING

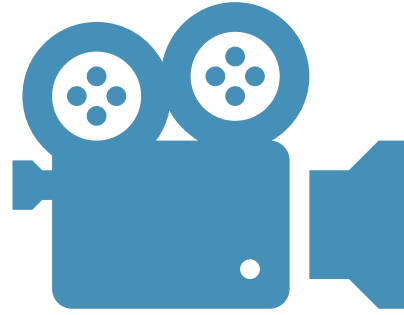
# GOAL SETTING



- Short Term vs Long Term
- Realistic
- Regular Review
- Adjust & Retarget



Patience



Creativity



Partnership

PROBLEM SOLVING

## SELF-VALUATION

Deficiencies

Talents & Skills

Accountability

# WHY?



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