

What is a reference?

A reference is someone who can speak to your professional abilities and skills. Employers use references to confirm information about potential candidates.

Professional Reference

Someone who you have worked closely with who can vouch for your qualifications.

> Teacher Supervisor

Co-worker

Personal Reference

Also known as a character reference. This typically is someone who you know closely but have not professionally worked with.

> Close Friend **Teammate Family Friend**

+ REFERENCES

Follow these steps to obtain references that will help you to secure a job!!





Nothing is worst than

someone being blind-sighted

from an employer calling for a

reference

+ WHAT TO DO

Do NOT include someone unless you are on good terms with **ENCOURAGED** them

Contact each reference & formally ask for their permission to be a reference.

Collect from your references their PHONE #. EMAIL, & ADDRESS.

Have a variety of references. A supervisor, teacher, and coworker is a good variety.

+ BONUS MOVES



Ask your references to write a letter of recommendation. Take the letters with you to an interview.



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