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WHAT ARE THE MAIN MANAGEMENT SKILLS?

There are 3 skills of management. They are

1. Leadership

Leadership Def This involve directing staff, setting a clear example of what is expected of

others and delegating work

Delegation Def This means giving authority to subordinates to carrying out tasks

The Manager must be able to influence people and get them to work towards the goals of the business. They must be confident, decisive and capable of getting the trust and respect of others. It is important that they are a role model for employees and lead by example.

2. Motivation

Motivation Def This is the willingness of people to work hard and to contribute their best

efforts

The manager must be able to get their staff to contribute best to achieve the goals of the business.

The is usually done by providing them with rewards and incentive to do better such as money or

A title like assistant manager

3. Communication

Communications Def This refers to the transfer of information between people. It can be done

oral written or visual

The manager must be able to give clear instructions, so the employees know what must be done And how it should be done. Communication is also listening to the employees and what they have to say. Some employees might have great ideas to make the business more effective and more profit

WHAT ARE THE MAIN MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

There are 3 Activities of management. They are

1. Planning

PlanningDef This means clearly setting out the goals for the organisation and how these are to be achieved.

The manager must be able to set target/goals for the business. This involves identifying trends and make plans to take advantage of the opportunity but also try to avoid the treats. Once the plans are made they must be broken down into smaller manageable steps and then communicated to the employees.

2. Organising

OrganisingDef This means bringing people and resource together to implement the plans and achieve the company goals.

The manager must be able to put together resource to make the plans happen. The must bring together people, finance, equipment items that are need. They also must decide who does what in the plan and make sure it is done in an effective and efficient manner.

3. Controlling

ControllingDef This is the continuous monitoring and checking of results to see if they are inline with the target and standards set out in the plan

The manager must ensure that the plans stay on target. This is done by regular monitoring of progress and staff performance. It is important that the manger does be a autocratic and too controlling is they are they might smother employee initiative and potential.

WHERE IS MANAGEMENT RELEVANT

Just like enterprise, management is relevant in the following areas

1. In home and Personal Life

Parent are the managers at home, and they have to show leadership to their children, motivate them to do well, communicate with everyone so things get done, plan for family holidays and events, organised the house for example cooking cleaning. They also need to control the finance of the house.

2. In school

School principals show leadership to teachers and students. They also motivate them to do their best. They need to have effective communication to avoid misunderstanding. They need to plan timetables and organised students into classes and events during the year They also need to control the school budget and make sure money is available for all spending

3. In the local Community

Leadership is need in the local community to run local activities festivals and competitions.

Motivation is needed to keep people interested and communication is important to make sure that everyone understands what needs to be done. They also need to plan the dates an who will be available. They also need to control the finances and resource available to them

4. In business

Businesses need to plan to keep ahead of the competition, they need to organise resources, control finances and the quality of the product being produced. They also need to provide leadership to the employees, so they know what to do. They will also need to motivate staff to do their best and have good communication with all stakeholders

5. In public Service

Politicians need to provide leadership and motivative the staff in their departments. They need to have clear communication skills to inform the pubic about new policies. The need to plan and control the finances to run the country and state bodies need to organise resources to accomplish the business goals

WHAT ARE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF EFFECTIVE MANAGERS?

Effective managers will have the following characteristic

Problem Solvers.
 Confident and Inspirational.

2. Decisive. 5. Good Communicators.

3. Good with people. 6. Good time manager.

TIP – It is a good idea to compare these with the characteristic of an entrepreneur and to be able to explain each of the characteristic that were just mentioned.

WHAT ARE THE SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MANAGER AND ENTERPRENEURS?

	Entrepreneurs	Managers
Ideas and Energy	1. They have the ideas,	1. They have few ideas or
	energy and initiative to	develop new ideas
	start a new business	2. There energy is put into
	2. They put their energy int	routine tasks
	new projects	

Personal Risk Taking	1.	They give up their own	1.	They don't take financial
		time and take personal		risks
		and financial risks	2.	They don't have ownership
	2.	They operate on their own		in the business
Manage Day to day Business	1.	Like the excitement of	1.	There day is routine and
		setting up something new		structured
	2.	Don't delegate the	2.	Delegation is important
		decision making		
Control	1.	The entrepreneur has full	1.	They must get approval be
		control and makes all the		doing certain activities
		decisions	2.	May need to report to the
	2.	They don't consult if they		entrepreneur regular
		don't need to		