## Performance Review Question Bank

### Understanding Responsibilities

- How would you describe your main responsibilities?
- Have these responsibilities changed over time?
- What excites you the most about your day-to-day responsibilities?
- How can you contribute to other projects or tasks for which your team is responsible?
- Are your current responsibilities what you envisioned?

### Feedback for Improvement

- Is there anything in your work you would like to change, and if so, how would you do it?
- What could your manager do to help you be more successful in your job?
- How do you think your department could improve?
- How can your supervisor/manager improve to increase your motivation, satisfaction, and performance?
- How is your manager setting you up for success?
- How can your organization more effectively accomplish its mission and reach its vision?
- What would be an area of improvement you would like to work on in the upcoming 6–12 months?

### Overall Performance

- How have you been successful?
- What were the highlights of this year?
- What did not go well this year?
- Do you feel you have adequately performed to the standards of the organization or gone above and beyond?
- How have you demonstrated excellence through innovation, creativity, experimentation, and development?
- How do you hold others accountable?
- How would you rate your ability to bring energy to the workplace?
- How have you contributed to the team this year?

### Contributions to the Organization

- What were your major contributions to our department during this year?
- How have you contributed to the organization’s strategic goals?
- Did you do anything over the course of the year to establish or nurture the organization’s relationship with the community?
- How have you engaged with guests here and in the community?
- How have you acted responsibly with the organization’s resources?

### Self-assessment

- What are your main strengths?
- In what areas can you improve your performance?
- What actions are needed to support improvement?
- What barriers or hurdles exist to improving your performance?
- How will you hold yourself accountable for achieving goals and results?
- List the most significant accomplishments or contributions you have made during this year.
- How do these achievements align with the goals/objective outlined in your last review?
- Have you performed new tasks or additional duties outside of your regular scope of work? If so, please specify.
- Describe professional development activities that have been helpful since last year.
- What are your goals for the upcoming year and what actions will you take to accomplish these goals?
- What could your supervisor/manager do to support you in doing your job and accomplishing these goals?
- What inspires you when you come to work?
- Do you feel like you are growing toward where you want to be?
## Goal setting and attainability
- What objectives have you reached during this year?
- Which objectives did you not manage to achieve, and why?
- What goals would you like to set for the next year?
- Do you think you need help or extra resources to reach these objectives?
- Which strengths are underutilized in your current role?
- What are your current career priorities and goals that most excite you?
- How does this job align with your personal values?
- How do your personal goals align with the team’s goals?

## Training
- What training programs have you taken part in?
- Are there other training courses you are interested in for the upcoming cycle?
- Do you need extra resources or training to do your job?
- What new or improved skills would help you be more effective in your role?
- What skills are needed to reach your long- and short-term goals?

## Professional Development
- What could your supervisor/manager do to help you achieve your professional development goals?
- Have you developed an action strategy that outlines your goals for the upcoming year?
- What barriers or hurdles inhibit you from achieving your professional goals?
- Are there any learning opportunities you would like to participate in?
- What can you start/stop/keep doing to help you reach your professional goals?

## Work Climate
- How have you contributed or improved the workplace culture this year?
- What aspect of performance needed improvement and what do you believe is the primary cause for this?
- How would you currently rate the level of morale of your department and organization?
- How would you describe relations in your workplace between management and employees?
- What behaviors do you bring to your work and to the team that have a positive impact?

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