

Sample Mentoring Session Checklist

Before the Session Review previous notes: Reflect on key points and action items from the last session. Prepare discussion topics: Identify specific questions or areas to address. Gather resources: Collect any documents, tools, or materials needed for the session. **During the Session** At the Start of the Session Check in personally: Ask about the mentee's well-being and recent experiences. Revisit goals: Confirm the purpose of the mentoring relationship and the session's objectives. ■ Build rapport: Strengthen trust by actively listening and showing genuine interest. **Progress and Challenges** Review accomplishments: Discuss progress toward previously set goals. Address challenges: Identify obstacles or concerns the mentee is facing. ☐ Brainstorm solutions: Collaborate on strategies to overcome difficulties. **Feedback and Guidance** Provide constructive feedback: Be specific and actionable, focusing on growth opportunities. Celebrate achievements: Acknowledge successes and highlight strengths. ☐ Encourage a growth mindset: Motivate the mentee to keep learning and improving. **Action Steps** Define next steps: Create a clear list of tasks or goals for the mentee to work on. Assign responsibilities: Clarify who will do what before the next session. ☐ **Set deadlines**: Establish realistic timelines for completing action items. At the End of the Session Reflect on lessons learned: Summarize key takeaways from the discussion. ■ Evaluate the session: Discuss what worked well and areas for improvement. Plan for the next session: Schedule the next meeting and outline its focus. After the Session Document key points: Write down highlights, action items, and follow-ups from the session. Provide additional resources: Share any articles, books, or tools discussed during the session. ☐ Track progress: Monitor the mentee's development and revisit goals in future sessions.

