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SKILL SETS

Plumbers repair and install the pipes and drainage systems that are connected to appliances, machines and fixtures. Some plumbers specialize in residential plumbing, while others find commercial work more lucrative. Residential plumbers clean drains, install fixtures like faucets and toilets and install water heaters. They also repair pipe leaks and upgrade existing systems. Commercial plumbers may be more involved with pipefitting and connecting large machines. Either way, there are certain skills that all plumbers need for success.

Physical Skills

- Good manual dexterity, including being able to hold the arm and hand steady when supporting a tool or piece of pipe or machine/appliance
- Good coordination
- Good vision so that you can find problems, sometimes in low visibility
- Be able to use measuring objects in order to size and measure piping and fixtures properly. to should be sufficient to allow the plumber to spot problems, use measuring devices and line up fittings properly
- Be able to climb ladders, lift large, bulky or heavy items or crawl under sinks or in crawl spaces to perform work

Acquired Skills

- Math, including algebra and geometry
- Good communication skills
- Be able to look people in the face and explain a situation to a customer so that can clearly understand what the outcome is going to be.
- Learn mechanical skills
- Be able to take something apart and with ease, put it back together as you found it
- Learn what tools or equipment are best suited for each job or task
- Learn different ways to tackle projects because no two project come with the same set of circumstances
- Possibly learn blueprint reading

Mental Skills

- Problem solving
- Logical reasoning
- Quick thinking
- Good listening
- Be able to use good judgement
- Be able to foresee the outcome of a project
- Multi task with accuracy
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Personal Attributes

- Be dependable and timely
- Be responsible for yourself and mindful of others
- Be able to work on your own and explain in detail to your superiors what you have accomplished
- Be persistence and consistent