

Top 15 Words HR NEVER Wants To See On Your Resume

Do you think it's a weird phenomenon that job ads state they want team players and great problem solvers yet HR considers these to be among the WORST terms to have on your resume? It's because of how generic they are!

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As humans, we're all problem solvers... and ideally, team players—but those terms rarely show how unique we are compared to another candidate. Here's a list that more than 2,200 hiring managers just compiled of 15 words they NEVER want to see on your resume:

- Best of breed
- Go-getter
- Think outside of the box
- Synergy
- Go-to person
- Thought leadership
- Value add
- Results-driven
- Team player
- Bottom-line
- Hard worker
- Strategic thinker
- Dynamic
- Self-motivated
- Detail-oriented

Chock full of vague soft skills that could apply to most candidates in the job market. I'm sure now you can see how hard it becomes to stand out in a crowd. You can still give the employer the soft skills they're looking for; just wait until the interview to discuss them. Instead, invest time showing how your experience and skills are a great match! Focus on keywords, quantifiable achievements, and unique successes.