

Effective 1:1 Meetings

The purpose of a 1:1 is to foster connection, alignment, and support.
The meeting should be a predictable space for updates, feedback,
and coaching.

Intentional, consistent 1:1s strengthen relationships, boost performance, and keep teams aligned and supported.

How to Structure Your 1:1

Best Practices

Opening check-in (2-3 min): "How are things going?"

Keep it consistent (weekly or bi-weekly)

Employee updates (5–7 min): Projects, progress,

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roadblocks.

Listen more than you speak

Manager updates (5–7 min): Priorities, changes,

guidance.

Avoid status-only conversations

Development discussion (3–5 min): Skills, goals, opportunities.

Document takeaways - send followup email