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Lab Safety Activity: You're Hired! You're Fired!

Background Info:

Laboratory safety is the practice of following specific lab procedures to ensure a safe working environment. These procedures are mandatory for businesses, schools, universities, and government facilities that own and operate a laboratory. Basic lab safety works to keep its scientists and technicians safe and free from potential harm.

Directions:

The multi-million-dollar company Lab Technology Co. has just acquired a smaller science laboratory. As head of the science department, it is your job to determine which employees will be hired to join Lab Tech. Co. and which employees will be let go. You will determine who to hire by reading each employee's annual performance review. Employees that demonstrate proficient lab safety skills and practices, can be hired on. Employees that do not demonstrate lab safety or are observed practicing un-safe lab skills will need to be fired.

Reading Performance Reviews:

Read the performance reviews to gain better insight into how each laboratory employee practices lab safety. Use the overall comments to provide evidence to support your decision whether to hire the employee on at the company or fire the employee on the spot.

Example Review

Name: Dr. Squeaks

Lab Position: Biologist

Overall Comments:

"Dr. Squeaks is an amazing biologist! Not only is he careful working with delicate glassware but he makes sure to always dry any wet beakers before heating. Dr. Squeaks is considerate of his fellow scientists, always remembering to wash his hands and keep a tidy lab bench."

Card #

Employee's
Name

Employee's Job

Read to Find
your Evidence

Directions:

Around the classroom are 12 employee performance reviews; start by writing down each employee's name, and lab position. Read each review and determine if the employee is practicing lab safety. Give evidence as to why you believe they should be hired or fired.

Review #	Employee Name	Lab Position	Hired or Fired	Evidence (Lab Rules Followed/Lab Rules Broken)
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