

QUESTIONS TO ASK OTHER LEADERS

As a leader, how do you become a better leader? We read a lot of books, listen to podcasts, and attend conferences. But one of the best ways to grow is to ask other leaders questions. Here are some questions to start the conversation with other leaders.

1. Can you name a person who has had a tremendous impact on you as a leader? Maybe someone who has been a mentor to you? Why and how did this person impact your life?
2. What are the most important decisions you make as a leader of your organization?
3. As an organization gets larger there can be a tendency for the “institution” to dampen the “inspiration.” How do you keep this from happening?
4. How do you encourage creative thinking within your organization?
5. Where do the great ideas come from in your organization?
6. How do you help a new employee understand the culture of your organization?
7. When faced with two equally-qualified candidates, how do you determine whom to hire?
8. What is one characteristic that you believe every leader should possess?
9. What is the biggest challenge facing leaders today?
10. What is one mistake you witness leaders making more frequently than others?
11. What is the one behavior or trait that you have seen derail more leaders’ careers?
12. What advice would you give someone going into a leadership position for the first time?
13. What are you doing to ensure you continue to grow and develop as a leader?
14. What do you do to keep your life in balance?