

QUALITIES OF A GOOD ORGANIZER

- Effective organizers are **good at their jobs and respected** by the people they work with.
- They have the **trust of their co-workers.** Their opinions carry weight. When they offer advice, people listen.
- The best organizers are motivated by a **strong sense of justice** and clear principles.
- They're responsible, honest, and compassionate.
- They're confident, even **COURAGEOUS.**
- Organizers must be **good listeners**. They know you don't have to be the most vocal to have the biggest impact.
- They **bring people together**, welcoming new co-workers on the job and looking for ways to involve every member.
- Organizers **move people to collective action.** They don't just solve problems alone—they equip their co-workers to solve problems together.
- They put the **interests of the group first**, ahead of their individual concerns.
- They don't operate as lone rangers. They **respect group decisions.**
- Good organizers are **knowledgeable about their contract**, but not afraid to admit when they don't know the answer.
- They can stay **cool under pressure** and handle stress and conflict.
- They're willing to **stand up to management**—and they can inspire others to stand up for themselves as well.



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