

Five Generations Why that matters

Traditionalists

Values:

loyalty, respect, and discipline

Work Styles:

transactional leadership, appreciate hierarchies and procedures, separate personal from professional

Baby Boomers

Values:

hard work and paying their dues, authoritative leadership, sense of duty

Work Styles:

structure, clear goals, deadlines, appreciate recognition

Gen X

Values:

diversity, personal development, competence over rank

Work Styles:

independent, adaptable, immediate and clear feedback, efficiency over form

Millenials

Values:

part of something bigger than just profits, sustainability, belonging

Work Styles:

flexibility, work life balance, preference for self care to avoid burnout

Gen Z

Values:

personal connection, empathy, open communication, mental health

Work Styles:

preference for video calls, 1:1 meetings, activities to build personal connections