



IF YOU CAN, YOU MUST

As it relates to your role as a leader, what are your greatest abilities? List five things.

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

Unrelated to music or leadership, what other abilities do you have? List five of things.

1.

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5.



List the five things your job requires you to do on a regular basis.

1.

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Do your responsibilities match your abilities?

If not, which jobs are you not well-suited for?

As a leader, do you give more to those who have less (talent/time/experience, etc...)? Can you cite three specific examples?

1.

2.

3.

Do you have a “Ramone” in your group?



As a group, do you ever organize activities for those less fortunate in your school or community?

What, as a leader, are you asked to do that others in your group are not? Be specific.

If anything, as a regular member of the group (not related to your role as a leader), what are you asked to do that others in your group are not?

Does the “progressive tax system” apply to your group? Yes No

Should it? Yes No

List five ways you could implement the progressive tax system in your group and in your section.

1.

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Do you do anything to help other music groups on your campus? If so, please list.



What about other schools' music groups (such as your feeder programs)?

Can you remember your first day in your group? Describe it in as much detail as possible. What was the best part? What was the worst part?

What can you do to make a new member's first day the best one possible?

Can you list five concrete actions?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

What would you want to say to the new members of the group? Jot some notes down.

Can you remember your first performance in your group? Describe it:

How can you prepare new members for this experience?



If you had your time in this group back to do over again, would you use it differently? How so?

LEADERSHIP TIP

While succinctly stated, the concepts contained within “if you can, you must” are incredibly advanced. The belief that your responsibilities are based on your abilities speaks to the very heart of my vision of leadership as it asks you not to be the best leader you can be, but be the best person you can be. I believe that once you are the best person you can be, everything else will sort itself out.