Coaching Reminder Sheet for Coaches

Before the Session:

- **Prepare**: Review employee's recent performance, progress towards goals, and any previous feedback.
- **Objective**: Define clear goals for the session.

During the Session:

- Start Positive: Begin with acknowledging successes or improvements.
- Listen Actively: Focus on understanding, not just responding. Use nods and "mmhmms" to show you're listening.
- Ask Open-ended Questions: Encourage deeper thinking and self-reflection.
- Empathize: Show understanding and support for their feelings and challenges.
- **Feedback**: Provide specific, constructive feedback balanced with positive reinforcement.
- **Set Goals**: Collaboratively set SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-bound) goals.
- Action Plan: Develop a clear action plan with next steps and deadlines.
- **Encourage**: Motivate and build confidence in their ability to improve and succeed.

After the Session:

- Follow-up: Schedule regular check-ins to discuss progress and adjust plans as needed.
- **Support**: Offer ongoing support and resources.
- **Document**: Keep brief notes on goals, plans, and progress for future reference.

General Tips:

- **Growth Mindset**: Encourage viewing challenges as opportunities to learn.
- **Confidentiality**: Ensure conversations remain confidential.
- **Flexibility**: Be adaptable in your approach based on the employee's needs and responses.
- **Continuous Learning**: Seek feedback on your coaching and look for ways to improve.