iHire Resume Proofreading Checklist



Purpose/Goal: My resume		
Tells a story the reader can follow	YES	NO
Fits my personal brand	YES	NO
Is customized to a specific company/position	YES	NO
Orders sections from strongest to weakest	YES	NO
Focused and Professional: My resume avoids		
Unnecessary and/or flowery language	YES	NO
Using an informal tone	YES	NO
Using more pages than recommended (usually 1–2)	YES	NO
Keywords: My resume incorporates		
Keywords from the job advertisement	YES	NO
Industry-specific buzzwords	YES	
The keywords listed above meaningfully throughout the document	YES	
(no "keyword stuffing")	_	_
Formatting: My resume has visual appeal because		
White space sets off key accomplishments	YES	NO
Typographical flourishes are used sparingly	YES	NO
The document is easy to read on a computer screen and printed paper	YES	NO
It utilizes industry-appropriate design	YES	NO
The typeface is simple and common	YES	NO
Section headers and body text are consistently formatted	YES	NO
Left/right and bottom/top margins are the same size (at least 0.5")	YES	NO
Spelling and Grammer: My resume employs		
Spelling	YES	NO
Word usage	YES	NO
Capitalization of proper nouns	YES	NO
Noun-verb agreement	YES	NO
Punctuation after every bullet/sentence	YES	NO
Apostrophe use for possessive nouns	YES	NO
Style: My resume does not have accurate		
Repetitious content	YES	NO
Articles	YES	NO
Personal pronouns	YES	NO
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