



# CEO AGAINST WORK FROM HOME

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## OVERVIEW

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## VOCAB

1. Hybrid work model - A flexible work structure where employees divide their time between working remotely and in the office.
2. Petition - A formal written request, often signed by many people, demanding action or change.
3. Backlash - A strong negative reaction to a particular event, decision, or policy.
4. Efficiency - The ability to accomplish a task with minimal waste of time and effort.
5. Frustration - A feeling of dissatisfaction or annoyance due to obstacles or difficulties.
6. Controversy - A disagreement or dispute, often involving public debate.
7. Leaked - Information that is released or made public without official permission.
8. Culture - The shared beliefs, values, and practices within an organization or society.
9. Commitment - A dedication or willingness to engage in a particular task or cause.
10. Perception - The way something is viewed or understood by others.

## SMALL TALK

1. Have you ever worked in a hybrid work environment? How was it?
2. Do you prefer working from home or at the office? Why?
3. What are the benefits of working from home for employees?
4. How do you think working from home affects productivity?
5. Have you ever experienced frustration with virtual meetings or calls?
6. What do you think about companies asking employees to return to the office?
7. Do you believe that employees should have flexibility in their work locations?
8. How would you feel if your company asked you to work from the office five days a week?
9. How do you feel about CEOs who strongly push employees to return to office work?
10. Do you think young workers are missing out by not being in the office more?

## LISTENING QUESTIONS

1. Who is Jamie Dimon, and what role does he play at JP Morgan?
2. What was the content of Dimon's leaked audio clip?
3. What was the backlash against JP Morgan's new work-from-office policy?
4. How did employees react to the new policy changes?
5. What were Dimon's complaints about work-from-home arrangements?
6. What did Dimon suggest about young workers and their training?
7. What did Dimon say to employees who didn't want to return to the office?
8. How did Dimon's comments affect public perception of him?
9. What do you think about Dimon's statement, "If you don't want to work at JP Morgan, that's fine with me"?
10. Why do some companies believe returning to the office boosts productivity?



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## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What are the advantages and disadvantages of hybrid work models for both employers and employees?
2. How does company culture affect the effectiveness of work-from-home policies?
3. In what ways can companies balance employee flexibility with the need for in-person collaboration?
4. What are the potential long-term effects on employees if hybrid work policies continue to evolve?
5. How can younger employees be better supported in a remote or hybrid work environment?

## CRITICAL THINKING

Rank the following in order of importance for work productivity:

- \_\_\_ Work location flexibility
- \_\_\_ In-person collaboration
- \_\_\_ Efficient communication
- \_\_\_ Work-life balance
- \_\_\_ Technology for remote work

## WRITING EXERCISE

Write 300-words on your opinion about hybrid work policies.

Do you agree with Jamie Dimon’s view that employees should return to the office, or do you think remote work should continue?

Explain your reasoning and provide examples from your personal experience or observations.