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2. What is the job of a food and beverage manager?

   **A food and beverage manager might be in charge of a department that works with some part of serving food to customers and guests in a restaurant, a hotel, a private club, a healthcare facility, theme park or cruise ship.**

3. What do the star and diamond ratings mean for a hotel?

   **The star and diamond designations rate a hotel from one to five based on their facilities and service.**
4. What is the top job at a hotel? 

*General Manager.*

5. What are the main responsibilities of a conference and meeting planner? 

*To plan an event, take care of details during the event and handle the after meeting tasks.*

6. What are some of the specific tasks an event planner handles? 

*The budget, the meeting site, food, schedule, presentations, contracts and public relations.*

7. Name some characteristics most hospitality professionals have in common. 

*They like people, they pay attention to detail, they are flexible and they work hard.*

8. What is the difference between a two-year and a four-year hospitality degree? 

*A two-year degree focuses on the basics of culinary arts and lodging operations. The student earns certification or an Associates Degree. A four-year Bachelor of Arts in Hospitality Management builds on the basic skills then prepares the student for management jobs through business and leadership courses.*

9. Why is Hospitality Management a good career for people who like to travel? 

*Because there a good jobs available in almost any location.*

10. How can you find out more about a career in Hospitality Management? 

*Research hospitality jobs and education options. Talk to people who have jobs in restaurants, hotels and convention centers. Take a part-time job in a restaurant or hotel.*
Activities

Check Out Educational Options

Go online and find out what colleges in your area or state offer certification, an associates degree or bachelor of arts degree in Hospitality. What courses are available? Would you like to consider a Hospitality career?

Resources

Learning ZoneXpress

Videos/DVDs
Confessions of an Event Planner

Books
Hospitality Operations, Careers in the World’s Greatest Industry by Jack Ninemeier and Jack Perdue
Ferguson’s Careers in Focus, Travel & Hospitality
Careers in Travel, Tourism & Hospitality by Marjorie Eberts, Linda Brothers and Ann Gisler

Associations
Hospitality Sales and Marketing Association International
American Culinary Federation
National Restaurant Association
American Hotel and Lodging Association

Websites
Check out www.careerclusters.org to learn about classes to prepare for a career in this field.