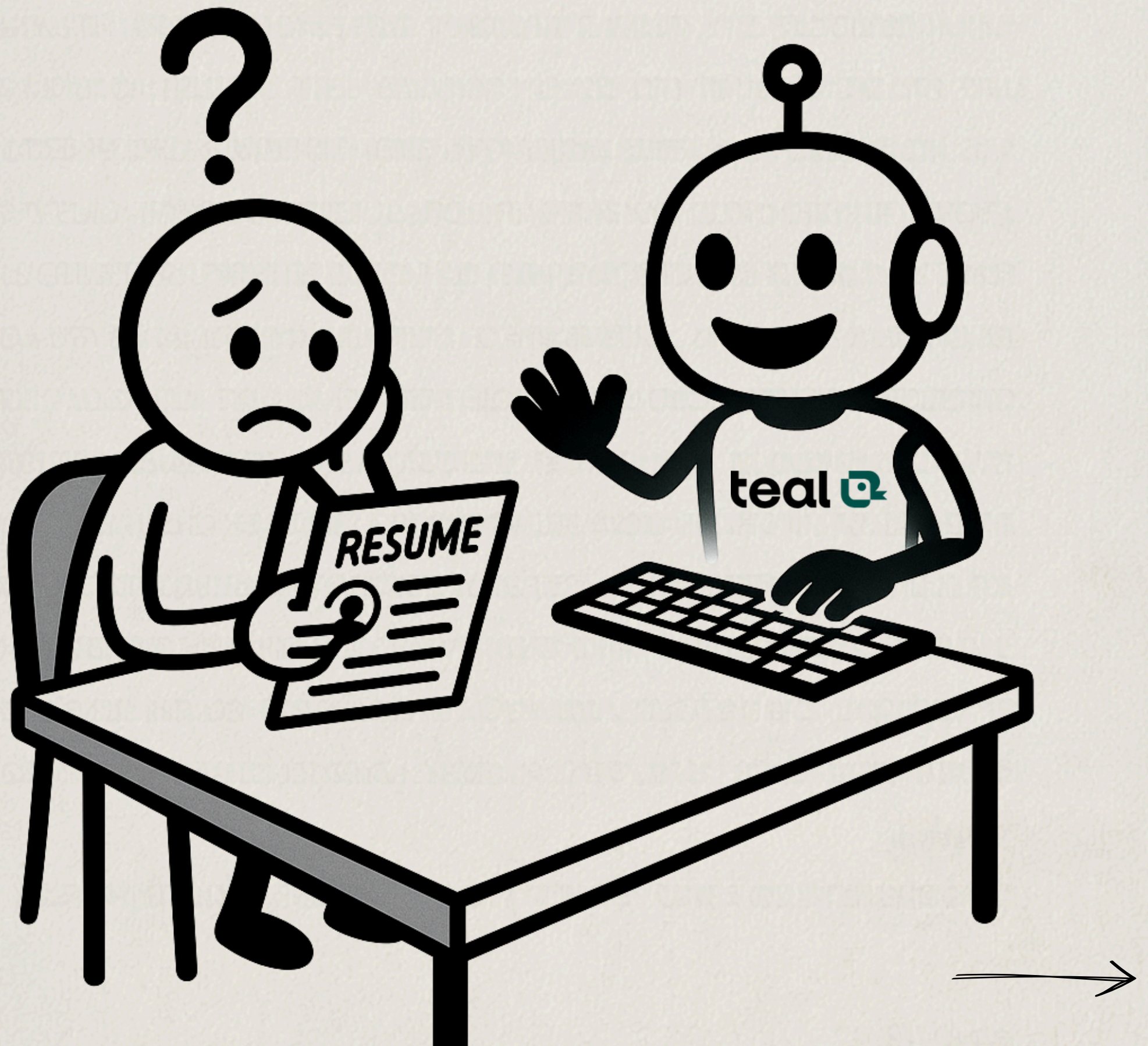


# 7 Resume Myths Busted


(Are You Making These Common Mistakes?)


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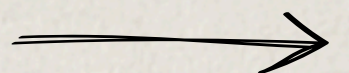
# 1. The 1-Page Myth

 **MYTH:** “Keep your resume to 1 page”


 **REALITY CHECK:** For experienced professionals, this can undermine your credibility.


 **BETTER APPROACH:**

- Early career (0–5 years) = 1 page
- Mid-career (5–15 years) = 2 pages
- Senior/Executive (15+ years) = 2–3 pages

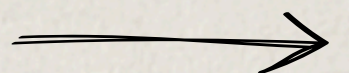


## 2. The Objective Statement Habit


 **MYTH:** “Start with an objective statement”


 **REALITY CHECK:** You’re using valuable space to state the obvious.


 **BETTER APPROACH:** Lead with an executive summary that highlights your unique value.

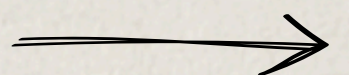


# 3. The Job Description Copy-Paste


 **MYTH:** “List all your past job responsibilities”


 **REALITY CHECK:** Your resume ends up reading like a generic job posting instead of your unique story.


 **BETTER APPROACH:** Focus on **specific achievements** with numbers that show your impact.

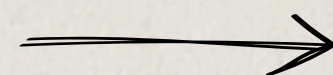


## 4. The Skills Section Mistake




 **MYTH:** “Listing skills is enough”

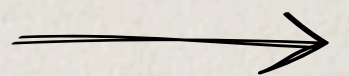
 **REALITY CHECK:** Recruiters want proof, not just a list. A long list of skills doesn't mean much without context.

 **BETTER APPROACH:** Show how you applied your skills in your bullet points. Results speak louder than keywords.



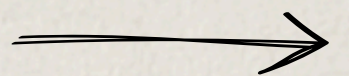
## 5. The Gap Worry

-  **MYTH:** “Employment gaps look terrible”
-  **REALITY CHECK:** Gaps often signal thoughtful career planning when explained well.
-  **BETTER APPROACH:** Frame transitions as intentional growth periods or strategic career moves.






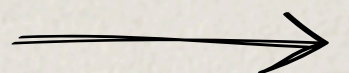
## 6. The Reference Line Habit

- ❌ **MYTH:** “End with References available upon request”
- ✅ **REALITY CHECK:** This phrase dates your resume and wastes precious space.
- 👍 **BETTER APPROACH:** Use that space for additional achievements or key accomplishments instead.



## 7. The Design Distraction

-  **MYTH:** “A creative resume with flashy design helps you stand out”
-  **REALITY CHECK:** Overdesigned resumes confuse ATS systems and distract from your content.
-  **BETTER APPROACH:** Stick to clean, standard formatting. Prioritize relevance, not razzle-dazzle. When it comes to resume design, boring is better.



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