

Interview Prep

How to Ace a Job Interview

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Agenda

Preparing for an Interview

**Answering Interview
Questions**

Closing the Interview

Preparing for the Interview

What employers are looking for:



Interview Preparation: Stand out from the crowd!

Nail down the details

Research the Opportunity and Organization

Review your resume

Identify your skills and strengths and be able to speak about them

Prepare how you are going to answer standard interview questions

Prepare your questions for the interviewer

What should I bring to an interview?

- ✓ Copies of your resume!
- ✓ Notepad and Pen
- ✓ Prepared Questions
- ✓ Mints
- ✓ Enthusiasm !!



Dress for Success



Interview Tips

- ✓ Firm Handshake
- ✓ Good posture / No fidgeting
- ✓ Smile and maintain eye contact
- ✓ Be careful of filler words
- ✓ Focus on the positive



Answering Interview Questions

Tell me about yourself

Hi, My name is _____. I have a degree in _____ from _____ university. While there, I honed my programming skills in languages such as _____ and _____. My capstone projects was _____ which was a team project and my role on the team was _____. I have also held an internship at _____. Some of my responsibilities were _____.

And that's a little bit about me.

Clear and Concise Answers / STAR Technique

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Introduce
the
situation.
Set the
scene.

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Describe
the task.
What
needed to
be done
and why?

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Explain
the action
you took.

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Describe
the result/
outcome
in terms
of
benefits
realized.

Typical Interview Questions

What are two strengths of yours?

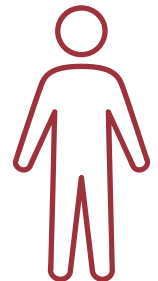
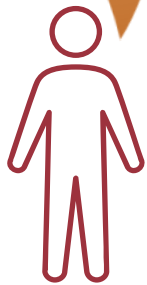
What is a weakness of yours?

Tell me about a problem you faced and how you solved it?

Why should we hire you?

Curve Ball Question

What do you know about our company?



Closing the Interview

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Your Turn

What would a typical day be like?

What type of training is offered/required?

How will I know I am successful or what defines success for someone in this job?

Can you tell me a bit about the team I will work with?

What are the major challenges in this position?

What would be the expectations for the first 30 days?

