



Questions you may be asked

While every interview will be different, by virtue of the interview panel and the nature of the position on offer, there are a number of questions that are commonly asked at job interviews. Keep in mind that the two main issues on the interviewer's mind are – “what can you do for me?” and “do you fit in?”

- ★ Tell me about yourself.
- ★ What do you look for in a job?
- ★ How long have you been looking for another position?
- ★ What kind of work have you done in the past?
- ★ Why have you changed jobs so frequently?
- ★ How do you get on with your colleagues?
- ★ What attracts you about the job?
- ★ Where do you see yourself in five years time?
- ★ What do you like most about your present job?
- ★ What features of your previous jobs have you disliked?
- ★ How would you describe yourself?
- ★ What special skills would you like to develop?
- ★ How do you think you would handle difficult customers? Give me an example?
- ★ What is your time management like?
- ★ Can you work under pressure/deadlines?
- ★ How do you feel about working evenings and weekends?
- ★ What was the most challenging situation you faced in your previous job and how did you overcome it?
- ★ What will you bring to this organisation?
- ★ Do you have any questions?

The Stress Interview

- ★ Tell me about yourself: your family, your preferences and interests.
- ★ Why are you looking for a new position?
- ★ Tell me about your most significant achievements in your present or last job?
- ★ Describe a difficult challenge you have encountered.
- ★ Have you ever been dismissed from a job? If so, why?
- ★ What kinds of decisions do you find most difficult?
- ★ What do you consider to be your primary area of strength?
- ★ What do you consider to be your primary area of weakness?
- ★ What are your objectives over the next twelve months?
- ★ What are your objectives over the next five years?