



## Interview Tips for Facebook

For the initial 45-minute coding interviews, expect ~2 coding questions using a whiteboard (if on-site) or laptop (if remote). You will be tested on core CS fundamentals (theory, algorithms, data structures, recursions, binary tree questions, etc.) and your problem solving/logic skills. When coming up with approaches for the questions, think of an efficient, optimized, bug-free solution in the language you code best in. Prepare questions for your interviewer for the end.

### Coding Tips

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- People generally study 1-2 weeks and practice on a whiteboard or coding competition websites.
- Discuss initial ideas and solutions with your interviewer to clarify any ambiguity.
- Take hints from your interviewer to showcase your thought process and problem-solving ability.
- Generally avoid solutions with lots of edge cases or huge if/else if/else blocks. Deciding between iteration and recursion can be an important step.
- Consider different algorithms and algorithmic techniques (sorting, divide-and-conquer, recursion).
- Think about data structures, particularly the ones used most often (Array, Stack/Queue, Hashset/HashMap/Hashtable/Dictionary, Tree/Binary Tree, Heap, Graph, etc.)
- You may be asked about O memory constraints on the complexity of the algorithm you are writing and its running time -  $O(N^2)$  to  $O(N)$  etc.

### Helpful Links

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- [Short Prep Video](#)
- [What to Expect During the Recruiting Process](#)
- [Read this Blog from a Facebook Engineer - Get That Job at Facebook](#)
- [Building and Testing at Facebook](#)
- [Interview Prep Sessions at Facebook](#)
- [Practice Coding Questions – Facebook Code Lab](#)

### Suggested Reading Material

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- “Introduction to Algorithms” by Thomas Cormen, Charles Leiserson, Ronald Rivest, Clifford Stein

-“The Pragmatic Programmer” by Andy Hunt and Dave Thomas

## General Facebook Info

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- [Bootcamp Video – unique to Facebook’s culture](#)
- [Glassdoor Interview Questions](#)
- [Reddit posts from Facebook Engineers](#)
- [Open Source at Facebook](#)
- [Tech Talks](#)
- [Employee Blogs](#)
- [General News](#)
- [Facebook Engineering Page](#)