HOW TO PREPARE FOR A JOB INTERVIEW

9 Steps to Enhance your Job Interview Skills

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1) Experience Of Learning:-

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- Prepare
- Practice
- Present
- Participate

2) Common Preparation:-

- Skills
- Strength
- Weakness
- Interest for job
- Research about organization position in industry,
- Nature of job,
- Updating resume
- List of commonly asked questions based on qualification, project, skill.

3) Do's Before Interview:-

- Dress formally
- Personal grooming (shaving, nails, haircut),
- Reach 10 to 15 minutes early.

4) Don't Before Interview:-

| Don't stay up late at night because it makes you dull on the day of interview, |
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| Don't over eat and don't drink carbonated drinks, |
| Don't think about what if you not get selected, |
| Don't feel nervous |
| Greet the person in entrance and the person in reception. |
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- Dark shocks and perfect shoes,
- Little or no ornaments,
- Neat hairstyle,
- Documents (or) files,
- Shaving.

5) Interview Attire:-

- Treat everybody with courtesy and respect,
- Greet everybody,
- Be ready for a handshake,
- Be an attentive listener in order to understand questions,
- Address the interviewer as sir/madam,
- Maintain good eye contact throughout the interview,
- Be alert and sit straight in your seat

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- g) Be alert and sit straight in your seat,
- h) Respond to questions warmly and with specific examples,
- i) Ask for clarification if you don't understand a question,
- j) Be brief and concise in your response,
- k) Use formal words and expressions and appropriate grammar,
- l) Display your interest in the employer and the job you are being interviewed for,

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m) Reply to the questions in positive manner, n) Keep your tone polite yet firm, o) Take time to respond to a situation, p) Show your enthusiasm.

7) Don't of An Interview:-

- a) Don't take a seat until you are offered one,
- b) Don't slouch and fidget,
- c) Don't talk negative about previous employers or managers,
- d) Don't show lack of interest during the interview,
- e) Don't give the impression that you are only interested in money or salary,

P.T.O

- f) Don't be rude and imprudent, say no politely,
- g) Don't use slang and minimize use of filter like okay, you know, etc.
- h) Don't chew gum,
- i) Don't smell sweat,
- j) Don't keep your mobile on during the interview,
- k) Don't leave in a hurry.

8) Negotiation Skills :-

• The main purpose of negotiating is to get closer to your objectives.

As people say,

"Negotiation is all about a win-win situation".

Techniques Required To Be A Good Negotiator

- a) Put yourself in the other person's shoes and consider how they would react to your proposals,
- b) Don't stick to a specific point of negotiation
- c) Follow different styles and mannerisms to negotiate
- d) Be comfortable in whatever style you choose,
- e) Be calm, relaxed and focused.

How To Handle Negotiation Response? Tips To Handle Response.

After getting a response from the other party:-

- a) Don't feel obliged to respond immediately, take time, ask for clarification, if required
- b) Write down the keynotes/points, if required,
- c) Evaluate the given proposal and compare it with what you have proposed,
- d) Discuss the response in detail,
- e) Share your feedback on the terms offered,

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- f) Talk about the inconsistency if any,
- g) Give suggestions on how things can move closer to your objectives,
- h) Negotiate in a calm but firm way and don't forget to be polite,
- i) Settle the things if it is agreeable to you,
- j) Always have a written agreement to avoid dispute on future,
- k) Always conclude on good terms,
- l) Give a positive response for continuing correspondence.

9) Points To Remember:-

- a) Be thoroughly prepared,
- b) Research the organization,
- c) Upload your resume,
- d) Reach before time,
- e) Dress formally,

- f) Be polite and courteous to all,
- g) Give brief and concise response,
- h) Be aware of your body language,
- i) Leave the interview spot on a positive note,
- j) Be ready for a handshake,
- k) Be sure of what you want to say,

- 1) Don't hesitate to negotiate,
- m) Avoid using slang,
- n) Show your enthusiasm for all job,
- o) Avoid tea/coffee if offered,
- p) Don't forget to follow up.

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