

Interview tip: Provide examples

In the previous interview, you discovered that you can differentiate yourself from other candidates by including specific examples during the interview to demonstrate what you know and the ways you've used skills in relevant situations. This provides interviewers with concrete instances of how you've applied your skills. In this reading, you'll review the best practices you learned from the mock interview and why it will be useful for your future interviews. In addition to reviewing sample interview questions, you can also use the Interview Warmup tool to practice your responses.

Provide examples

Many candidates have the skills necessary to fulfill a job role, and you can showcase your experience during an interview by providing specific examples of how you've successfully implemented those skills. This is a great way to set yourself up for success! Sharing these examples gives potential employers specific insights into your technical and professional skills.

When an interviewer asks you questions about what skills you've learned or challenges you've faced, think about past projects you've completed. Did you utilize specific skills interviewers are interested in to complete a project? Did you solve a problem with the help of a tool that is relevant to your potential future job role? If so, then it's a great example to illustrate your general technical knowledge and your ability to apply that knowledge.

Build interview skills

Already, you've grown your interview skills so much! And now you have another tip to add to your interview skills: provide examples. And there'll be more tips to help you focus on specific skills that you can apply to your interviews in the future. These tips come from other professionals who have gone through the interview process and you can practice what you learn to develop those skills over time.

Practice interview skills

Now that you have learned more about providing examples in your interview answers, you'll want to practice answering questions you could encounter in an actual interview. Consider how to provide examples from your prior experiences during an interview:

- Describe a favorite cybersecurity project that you worked on, what your role was, and what you learned from the project?
- Describe the steps you would take to assess a cloud environment's compliance with industry regulations?

- Describe how you might use organizational policies to secure cloud resources?

As a reminder, being enrolled in this certificate program also gives you access to [Interview Warmup](#), a tool that helps you practice answering questions to become more confident and comfortable throughout the interview process. Interview Warmup asks you interview questions to which you respond verbally. This tool transcribes your answers in real time, allowing you to review how you responded. In addition, Interview Warmup's machine learning algorithm can detect insights that can help you learn more about your answers and improve the way you communicate.

Here are some of the insights that Interview Warmup provides:

- **Talking points:** This tool lets you know which topics you covered in your answer, such as your experience, skills, and goals. You'll also be able to explore other topics that you might want to consider covering.
- **Most-used words:** This tool highlights the words you used most often and suggests synonyms to broaden your word choices.
- **Job-related terms:** This tool highlights the words you used that are related to the role or industry in which you're preparing to work. You'll also be able to explore an entire list of job-related terms that you might want to consider including in your answer.

To access Interview Warmup, follow these steps:

1. Go to <https://www.skills.google/interview-warmup>.
2. Click **Start practicing**.
3. Select **Cybersecurity** to open an additional menu.
4. Select **Cloud Cybersecurity** as the field you wish to practice.
5. Click **Start**.

The interview lasts about 10 minutes, and the questions will vary with each attempt. During each interview session, you'll be asked two background questions, one behavioral question, and two technical questions. You're encouraged to try as many practice interviews as you want. This can be a great way to practice the interview tips you learned about in this course!