

Career Services Assignment 4 – Soft Skill Interview Prep

Points possible: 50

Category	Criteria	% of Grade
Completeness	All requirements of the assignment are complete.	50
Quality	Answers show thought, proper grammar, and would be acceptable in most interview situations.	50

Instructions: Find a job post online for a role and company you would like to apply for. Answer the following questions as if you were being interviewed for the job. Research the STAR method of answering behavioral interview questions and where applicable, utilize the STAR method in answering the below questions.

How did you hear about this position? (Make sure you remember where you heard about the role so it doesn't look like you are just applying randomly to every position possible.)

I have friends that have worked at Raytheon and they have told me wonderful things about working here.

What do you know about the company? (Research the company, website, products/services, and reviews. Talk about good reviews that make you want to join.)

Raytheon is the leading company in creating aerospace technology, aircraft technology, and defense intelligence solutions.

Why do you want this job? (Be very specific. Talk about what appeals to you about the role but focus more on the value you'll add to the team and company rather than what the company will do for you.)

I am ready for a new challenge and develop software that can help improve space travel.

Why should we hire you? (Be very specific. Talk about your skills, passion, and willingness to continuously learn to be an asset.)

My experience working at Amazon as an Ambassador has built me many skills that would prove beneficial to your team. I have delivered many oral and written presentations to new hires and my fellow co-workers. Working in a warehouse environment has taught me how to communicate effectively with co-workers.

What is your greatest professional achievement? (STAR)

My greatest achievements would be earning my Bachelor of Fine Arts degree and my Software Developer Certification at Promineo Tech.

Describe a difficult work situation and how you overcame it. (STAR. Never speak negatively about anyone else or any companies. Perhaps talk about change you experiences, as change is always difficult to overcome.)

Being an ambassador, I have had to face many challenges with new hires and unexpected circumstances. One incident that came to mind recently was that we had a new transfer arrive at our building, but we were unprepared for her. Neither HR nor our Head of Learning were at the site to set up her requirements. I was the only Ambassador available in the building and I did not have permission to set up the work she needed to do. I went through the Welcome presentation and safety demonstrations with her and gave a quick tour around the warehouse. She came back the next day and we were able to finish the rest of her work in record time.

What are your goals for the future? (Make sure you answer in a time bound manner and talk about how you are looking to learn as much as possible in your field.)

Why are you leaving your last job? (Don't say anything negative. Mention growth, changing industries, etc.)

I am leaving Amazon because I am no longer challenged in my career. I appreciate everything I learned during my time with the company but I don't feel challenged and I want to expand my new coding abilities, Raytheon can help push my limits.

What is your salary expectation?

\$60,000