



IIT Madras

BSc Degree

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TELL ME ABOUT YOURSELF

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Tell me about yourself !

- First question (interview)
- Good answer – strong and positive impression to the interviewer.
- Interviewer wants to know what is most important to you.
- Greet and sit down.
- **One sentence intro – this sentence should summarise who you are. Use adjectives.**
- Example: I am an English teacher and a teacher trainer with seven years' of experience in ELT industry.

Tell me about yourself !

- I am a recent graduate from IIT Madras with a BSc degree in Data Science.
- **Add three to five sentences about your achievements plus proof of accomplishment**
- This tell you why you are a good fit for the job.
- Be more specific. My success – I specialise in teaching Business English. I have trained more than 5000 *employees* of different multinational companies. Many have become repeat customers.
- Mention your accomplishments in college.
- I have secured 9.5 gpa and have done ---- courses with NPTEL (related to what the company can offer you). I have interned at ---- on --- which helped me develop my final year project. . It was during this project that I discovered that I am a team player.

Tell me about yourself !

- **Say why you want this job.**
- No negative comments on previous company (My boss is bad. My coworkers are plotting against me).
- How is your skills aligned to their requirements?
- I am very happy in my job but I am looking for a more challenging role; one where I can use my skills in a managerial position. That is why I want this job.
- I am looking for a job where I can put my education and skills to use, where I will be challenged to learn and grow, and contribute to the success of the company.

Tell me about yourself !

- I am an English teacher and a teacher trainer with seven years' of experience in ELT industry. I specialise in teaching Business English. I have trained more than *5000 employees* of different multinational companies. Many have become repeat customers. I am looking for a job where I can put my education and skills to use, where I will be challenged to learn and grow, and contribute to the success of the company. I am very happy in my current job but I am looking for a more challenging role; one where I can use my skills in a managerial position. That is why I want this job.

Tell me about yourself !

- I am a recent graduate from IIT Madras with a BSc degree in Data Science. I have secured 9.5 gpa and have done xyz courses with NPTEL (related to what the company can offer you). I have interned at xyz on zyx which helped me develop my final year project. . It was during this project that I discovered that I am a team player. I am looking for a job where I can put my education and skills to use, where I will be challenged to learn and grow, and contribute to the success of the company. That is why I want this job.

Quick tips

- Always be prepared to answer “tell me about yourself”.
- Don’t talk about your family or hobbies.
- Do not use superlatives to describe yourself.
- Your interviewer might say “Walk me through your resume”.
- Spend only a little time talking about each job, focus on your achievements.
- Speak naturally.
- Be confident and maintain good eye contact.
- Make it a conversation and not a monologue.