

CHOOSE YOUR STORIES



In this activity you will be thinking back on your experiences and writing down stories that highlight your strengths.

Having stories prepared before your interview will make answering behavioral questions a breeze!



Come up with 5-7 experiences that highlight the strengths that help make you a strong candidate. (Refer back to the last self analysis activity for a list of your strengths.)

Tips:

- * *Reference the behavioral question categories, try to have a story in each category*
 - * *Teamwork*
 - * *Problem Solving / Planning*
 - * *Initiative / Leadership*
 - * *Interpersonal Skills / Conflicts*
 - * *Pressure / Stress / Failure*
- * *Technical situation are best - include at least 1 bug story!*
- * *Stories can come from school, internship or personal life*

You do not need to write down the entire story; the situation is just fine for now. In the next lecture we will be learning how best to frame these experiences.

Examples:

- Acting as a PM on you capstone project (Teamwork/Leadership)
- Starting an Entrepreneur club at school (Initiative/Leadership)
- A teammate not pulling his/her weight on a project (Teamwork/Conflict)
- Failing a physics class (Failure)
- Deploying your project to production (Problem Solving)