

Preparing for the code screens:

Key things we look for are:

- Clean code that is as close to production quality as possible: well-decomposed, comments if necessary, understandable variable names, etc.
- An ability to define the problem well: elicit requirements from your interviewer, discover corner cases, etc.
- An ability to have a dialogue with your interviewer and incorporate feedback: the coding sessions are purposefully short; most people will need to incorporate at least some suggestions from their interviewer

If you'd like to further prepare for our code screens, you could take a quick spin on further higher-difficulty hackerrank problems like the below:

- (Medium) <https://www.hackerrank.com/challenges/sherlock-and-anagrams/problem>
- (Medium) <https://www.hackerrank.com/challenges/recursive-digit-sum/problem>
- (Medium) <https://www.hackerrank.com/challenges/3d-surface-area/problem>
- (Hard) <https://www.hackerrank.com/challenges/matrix-rotation-algo/problem>
- (Hard) <https://www.hackerrank.com/challenges/count-strings/problem>

Additional coding prep material:

- Practice Your Code
 - [Project Euler](#)
 - [Topcoder](#)
 - [HackerRank](#)
 - [LeetCode](#)
- Data Structures and Algorithms
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Template for elevator pitch:

Hi, I'm Sabina. I graduated from [school] in [year], with a major in Computer Science. I've always been interested in working in the tech field. so while I was at school, I spent summers as a Software Engineering intern at DoSomething.org. While working at DoSomething.org, I learned a lot about [connection to company you are talking to]. With my experience and studies, I know I would be a valuable addition to the team.

Example of elevator pitch:

Hi, I'm Lizzie. I graduated from Northwestern in 2015, with a major in computer science. I've always been interested in working as a software engineer so while