Thank you for your time. - May I use my laptop? - How long do we have?

Interview Goals: Practice. Meet new people. Advice on breaking in. Magically give me a job.

Interviewee's History

What's your story? How'd you get here? Whatcha doin' now? Pros/cons? Likes/dislikes?

Education/Skills/Experience/Abilities Needed (What do employers look for? Entry-level?)

What skills/experience need to be acquired? What personality works best? What to do to get an entry-level job? What would that job consist of? What's a typical career path? Admirable organizations? Conferences? Professional groups? Web stuff? etc.

Typical Day

What's a normal day like? Work atmosphere? Colleagues? Pace of work? (Crunch & lax weeks, or steady-consistent)? Work/life balance? Time off? Relationships? How long to get good perks (i.e. work remotely)? Trips overseas for home office staff? Long/short term? Variety of work (intellectual stimulation)?

Rewards / Challenges / Surprises

Any philosophical insights? What does it mean to you? How can/do you walk the line between working overseas and Stateside (w/o screwing your skillset)? Pros/cons? Likes/dislikes? Competitors? How are they the same as you? Different? What do you guys do well? What's good about this org?

Compensation

Salary? Benefits (time off, healthcare, work remotely)?

Future (For the field and for the interviewee)

What's the future of the industry? Current trends? Issues? Budget cuts?

Advice

How do I look on paper? What should I do (skills / training)? If you had to do it all over again? What would be the same? What different? Any final thoughts? Rec's?

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Send a "Thank you"

Decompression

What did I do well? What did I suck at? How could I be better?