Potential Situations and Common Problems

Potential Situations

- Decisions
- Interactions or conversations
- Meetings
- Projects

Common Problems

- We vs. I
- Usual behavior
- Theories
- Summaries
- Abstract descriptions

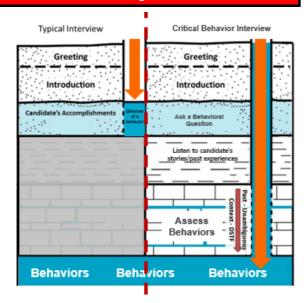
Probing Questions

- What did you do?
- What did you say?
- What were you thinking? / What was going through your mind?
- What were you feeling?
- Can you give me an example?
- What was your role?
- Take me back to the beginning

- What was the outcome?
- Highlight key events along the way.
- Who was involved?
- What happened next?
- And then?
- How did you first get involved?
- Walk me through the situation sequentially.

Gently interrupt to get details and help the candidate focus on specifics.

Assessing Behaviors



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Verifying Evidence

Context. Behaviors include **context** - the people involved in the situation and its history.

<u>Unambiguous</u>. The **role** of the candidate in the situation is **crystal clear**.

Past. Behaviors are descriptive of a specific situation that took place in the **past**.

<u>Picture</u>. A detailed picture is created through what the candidate **did**, **said**, **thought**, **and felt** as the situation unfolded.



Evaluation Ratings

Rate only the targeted Winning Capabilities or those where evidence was provided

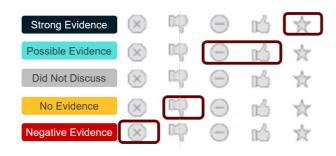
Strong Evidence = All CUPP criteria provided.

Possible Evidence = Some CUPP criteria provided.

Did Not Discuss = Not targeted or was not time to cover.

No Evidence = Targeted but no evidence given.

Negative Evidence = Opposite of desired behavior.



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HITACHI Inspire the Next

CBI Job Aid (Winning Capabilities)

The goal of a Critical Behavior Interview is to determine whether or not the candidate has demonstrated the behaviors aligned with success at Hitachi Vantara.

Starting the Critical Behavior Interview

- Arrive on time. Establish rapport; Brief small talk.
- Explain your background and experience.
- Remember you represent the whole company.
- Inform candidate you will answer their questions later.
- Set up the **structure** of the interview e.g.
 - * "I will ask you a series of questions which will give you an opportunity to discuss your background and your accomplishments".
 - * "Please be clear about your role and what you did".
 - * "I will be taking notes".

Asking Questions

- Choose behavioral questions from the long list of CBI questions (a few examples overleaf).
- Use basic probing questions, keep them short, simple and in past tense to gather for more detail.
- You may find the probing questions elicit evidence for a different Winning Capability and that's ok!



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Accountability

Being accountable and driving for results to meet commitments and goals

Behaviors

- A. Holds self (& team) accountable for achieving goals, targeted metrics and results
- B. Willingly assumes responsibility for own actions and decisions
- Demonstrates and fosters a "can-do" spirit and sense of optimism, ownership & commitment
- Monitors own (& team's) progress against goals
- E. Ensures own (& team's) commitments are met

Example Questions

- Tell me about something you're glad you got a chance to do while in your current role. Something of which you feel proud.
- 2. Describe a time when you seized opportunities, grabbed something and ran with it yourself.

Agility

Actively learning through experimentation and feedback to gain insight to grow and develop Behaviors

- A. Readily adapts to different ways of doing things or to different situational needs
- Seeks out and accepts feedback, modifying own behavior as appropriate
- C. Conveys a hunger for learning and a growth mindset
- Stays composed and works productively in the face of ambiguity and uncertainty, or when new challenges arise
- Maintains own energy levels and momentum during change; supports and encourages others

Example Questions

- Tell me about a time when you were asked to do something unexpected (i.e., new or short notice).
- Tell me about a time when you were in a situation that changed suddenly.

Co-Creating

Intentionally partnering with others to create meaningful outcomes

Behaviors A. Builds good relationships with others

- ____
- B. Communicates openly and fearlessly, and encourages others to do the same
- Looks for ways to intentionally collaborate with others, and promotes a culture of collaboration
- D. Recognizes others for their contribution to team goals
- E. Ensures conversations and meetings result in meaningful outcomes

Example Questions

- Tell me about a time when you had to work with people who approached things differently than you or wanted the work done differently.
- 2. Tell me about a time when you have had to deal with a difficult person or people.

Influencing

Using compelling communication and courage to gain the support and commitment of others Behaviors

- A. Willing to raise issues and concerns, and take a stand in the best interests of the company
- Respects and responds appropriately to the viewpoints of others and uses a range of different influence strategies to persuade others
- Gains support and buy-in from stakeholders for their ideas and decisions
- Negotiates, compromises and exercises diplomacy in different situations as needed
- E. Inspires action without relying on authority

Example Question

- Tell me about a time you had to win over a group you didn't know very well.
- 2. Tell me about a time you had to **confront** someone you were working with.

Innovating

Embracing change to create new and better ways for the organization to be successful Behaviors

- Stays up to date and ensures adoption of industry best practices and lessons learned
- B. Identifies opportunities to improve processes and optimize ways of working
- C. Takes new ideas quickly from concept to implementation
- Is open to taking risks and failing fast in order to push boundaries
- E. Challenges the status quo and learns from experience to achieve breakthrough ideas

Example Questions

- Tell me about a time you had to **start something from scratch**.
- Tell me about a time when you recently identified a gap in your team's efforts and what you did to fill it.

Executing

Intentionally partnering with others to create meaningful outcomes

Behaviors

- A. Sets SMART goals for self (and team) that align to organizational goals
- Builds realistic plans that enable quality results to be achieved quickly
- Aligns work to best leverage own (and others') skills
- Motivates self (and others) to deliver above and beyond expectations
- E. Resolves issues quickly

Example Questions

- Tell me about a situation where you encountered a problem and went on to resolve it
- Tell me about a time when you went outside of your planned work to achieve an important goal. Tell me what happened.

Informed Decision-Making

Applying knowledge of the business and market to deliver customer-centric solutions

Behaviors

- Seeks to understand the market to identify potential changes which will impact their business
- B. Quickly gathers and analyzes information to understand issues
- C. Makes prudent business decisions based on relevant data
- D. Stays informed in order to understand and anticipate changes in the industry
- E. Keeps up to date on competitor activities and revises approach as needed

Example Questions

- Tell me about a time when you were faced with a complex problem and had to get the essence of it quickly.
- Tell me how a change in the industry you work in has resulted in you changing your approach at work.

Pioneering

Painting a compelling picture of the vision and strategy to inspire action

Behaviors

- Is excited by Hitachi's Pioneering Spirit and looks for opportunities to propose new and challenging opportunities
- B. Shows excitement for and champions their organization's bottom line
- C. Understands and effectively communicates organization's strategy and operating model
- D. Aligns personal goals to team and organizational goals, including developmental goals
- E. Contributes to team identity and loyalty

Example Questions

- Tell me about a time when you had to work with people who approached things differently than you or wanted the work done differently.
- 2. Tell me about a time when you thought your team or organization was working well, but a **change was imposed** upon you.