



Interview Questions You Should Be Prepared to Answer

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Tell me about yourself.

Tell your story

Skip your personal history and give about 2-3 sentences about your skills, career interests. Here you are summarizing professional history.



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- A short summary of your educational background, your experience, and key projects you have worked on.
- Why do you want to work for the company?
- This question tests how well you know what the company does and how passionate you are about the work they do.

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Why should we hire you?

- This is your opportunity to go into more detail about why you love this company and what motivates you to want to work there.
- Think back to one of the older positions listed on your resume and talk about how that role helped you posses the skills sets that you have.
- When asked this question, keep in mind that the recruiter is looking to hear what skills you have that you're going to bring to the team.



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Why are you looking for a job?

- Think about why you are looking for a job: did you just graduate, and will this be your first real job?
- Are you switching career paths?
- NB: If you are currently working somewhere, you should also be prepared to answer, "why do you want to leave your current job for this one?"

Where do you see yourself in the next five years?





KEEP IN MIND THAT YOU'RE IN AN INTERVIEW SETTING

- So you don't need to go into all the details about what your personal life goals are for the next five years.
- This can seem like a heavy question during an interview, especially when you haven't prepared for it ahead of time.
- Focus on your career goals and be realistic.

Tell me about a conflict you faced at work and how you dealt with it.

- This question is important to ace because it helps an interviewer understand how you deal with conflict. Refer to conflict in your professional context or your experience at the University.
- It also helps test how well you think on your feet—so if you prepare ahead of time with a specific example, you'll avoid the awkward moment of silence while you try to think of an example.





What is your dream job?

Similar to the "where do you see yourself in five years" question.

The interviewer is looking to understand how realistic you are when setting goals, how ambitious you are, and whether or not the job and company will be a good place for you to grow.