



How to prepare for a job interview

After applying for a job, you may get a call, email, or text asking you to participate in a job interview. This is a great thing! You will meet with someone at the company, and they will ask you questions about yourself and will see if you would be a good person to hire for the job. Here are some do's and don'ts for a job interview.

DO 	DON'T 
Arrive 15 minutes early for your interview	Arrive late to your interview
Wear clean clothes, a shirt with a collar, slacks, or a skirt/dress	Wear dirty or wrinkled clothes, t-shirt, jeans, shorts, or pajamas
Have brushed, clean hair and brush your teeth	Have messy, dirty hair and bad breath
Smile during the interview	Look angry or sad
Talk to the person who is interviewing you	Take a phone call, text, or play on your phone
Wear light makeup, if you wear makeup	Wear too much makeup

Some other things to remember

- ✓ Bring copies of your resume and/or portfolio.
- ✓ Bring the names of your references along with their email and phone numbers.
- ✓ Research the company before the interview. It is a good way to show your knowledge and interest in the job!



Things to think about

What to say

- ✓ Talk about what you are good at and how you can be a good employee.
- ✓ Ask questions about the job.
- ✓ Thank the person for the interview.
- ✓ It's okay to ask when you might hear back from the interviewer.



What Not to Say

- ✓ Don't talk about things that don't have to do with the job.
- ✓ Don't use slang words or curse words.
- ✓ Don't insult people or say bad things about people.
- ✓ Don't ask how much you will be paid. That question will be answered if you get a job offer.

After the Interview

- ✓ Follow up with a phone call or email thanking the person for the interview.
- ✓ If you got the job, find out what your next steps are.
- ✓ If you did not get the job, keep trying with other jobs.

You can talk about your disability if you want, but you do not have to. The person interviewing you cannot ask you about your disability. They can ask you if you can do the job with or without accommodations.



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