NANT Conference 2019 Job Interviewing Tips & Techniques

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Are you ready for your interview?





What We Will Review

- Types of interviews
- Common interview techniques
- Prepare for the interview
- Inappropriate interview questions
- Be professional



Types of Interviews

- Phone interview/phone screen
 - Recruiter
 - Hiring manager
- Video interview
 - Hiring manager
 - Group/panel
- On-site interview
 - Hiring manager
 - Group/panel
- Career fair interview





Common Interview Techniques

- Behavioral interview (also called competency based or structured interview)
- Structured interview
- Unstructured interview
- Task-oriented or Problemsolving interview





Behavioral Interview

Behavioral interviewing is a job interview technique:

- Focused on discovering how an applicant acted in specific employment related situations
- Instead of hypotheticals, this technique focuses on a candidate's actual behavior in situations relevant to a company's competencies



Behavioral Interview

The applicant is asked to describe past behavior in order to determine whether he/she is suitable for a position.

Premise:

Past behavior is the best predictor of future behavior

The format used is based on the STAR approach:

- **S/T S**ituation/**T**ask
- A Action
- R Results



Behavioral Interview

STAR approach:

- **S/T S**ituation/**T**ask
 - What was the event, activity or situation?
- A Action
 - What action did you take?
- R Results
 - What was the outcome?



Structured Interview

Structured interviewing is a job interview technique:

- Focused on the interviewer asking a specific set of questions
- Answers should be brief and to the point, while displaying a match between your skills and experience, and the requirements for the position



Unstructured Interview

Unstructured interviewing is a job interview technique:

- Focused on the interviewer asking general, open-ended questions
- Responses can be longer and reveal more about yourself



Task-Oriented or Problem-Solving Interview

Task-oriented or problem-solving interviewing is a job interview technique:

- Focused on the interviewer asking the candidate to complete a problem or task in order to assess analytical, creative and problem-solving abilities under pressure
- May involve a written or computerized test to determine technical knowledge and skills



Prepare For The Interview

- Update resume
 - Work history, responsibilities
 - List accomplishments
- Research the company
 - Company website
 - Glassdoor
 - LinkedIn
 - Facebook
 - Crunchbase
 - Network contacts
- Understand the company business & culture
- Know the company mission



Prepare For The Interview

- Research the interviewer(s)
 - LinkedIn
 - Company website
- Know the leadership team
- Rehearse
 - Ask someone that will be impartial and will provide feedback
- Visualize the ideal interview
- Prepare examples from previous experience to answer behavioral interview questions

Prepare For The Interview

- Dress professionally
- Arrive early, but not too early
- Be confident
 - Maintain good eye contact and body language
- Organize the verbal presentation of your work history
- Ask strong, thoughtful questions



Inappropriate Interview Questions

- Age
- Family/marital status
- Race or appearance
- Religion
- Sexual orientation
- Citizenship/National Origin

- Current salary or pay rate
- Disability
- Health
- Arrest record
- Convictions



Be Professional

- Be professional throughout the entire interview process
 - Be responsive to recruiter
 - Be persistent, but not overly aggressive
 - Firm handshake
 - Follow up thank you email or written note





Exercise – Interview Role Play

Interview Questions:

- At times we have all worked with difficult people.
 Tell me about a time when you were successful in developing a cooperative relationship with a member of management or a team member.
- Have you ever been involved in any quality improvement initiatives?
 If so, can you please provide specific details of the work you did.





Questions?



Thank you! Let's connect!

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