

# Practice Interview Questions

## **Why have you applied for this job?**

Tell the interviewer why you like the company and why you think you would be happy working there.

## **Can you tell me about your CV?**

Tell them about your previous jobs. If you have some time when you have not been working you can explain why. You can say how long you have been in the UK and what you have been doing since you arrived (learning English etc).

## **Where would you like to see yourself in 5 years time?**

You can tell them about your ambitions and how this job will help you to develop.

## **What skills do you have that would be useful for this job?**

Think about the skills in the job advertisement and try to explain how you have developed these skills (remember this might be through your previous jobs or through coming to college or life experience).

## **What are your strengths?**

This is a good chance to say what you are good at. Remember to be confident about yourself but be truthful.

## **What is your weakness?**

This is a very difficult question because you have to be positive. You could say: "I do not have much work experience but I have many skills which I am very keen to use. I would like to learn new things, especially....."

## **How would your colleagues or classmates describe you?**

This is a chance to say lots of good things about yourself. Employers are looking for people who describe themselves as: good communicators, sensible, enthusiastic, truthful, happy, good team players.

## **What are your salary requirements?**

Check what it says in the job advertisement or in advertisements for similar jobs. Do not ask for too much. You could say: I think I have good skills so I would like a salary that shows this.

## **Why do you want to work for this company?**

Before the interview you should do some research about the company. Say something that you like about the company and if you have ever used the company yourself.

## **What do you know about this company?**

Look at the company's website to find out what they do, how big they are and the different jobs people do in the company.

## **What did you think of your last boss?**

You must be positive, say the things you like about your previous boss. If you didn't like them DO NOT say this. Try to find one thing that you thought they did well.

## **Why do you think this job is good for you?**

Tell the interviewer what skills you have that would be good for this job.

## **Do you have any questions for me?**

Before the interview think of some questions to ask because this will make you look interested and enthusiastic. You could ask:

What is a typical day in this job?

What new things will I learn?

Have most of the staff worked here a long time?

What is the team of people like here?