



**Skills and Abilities:**

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**Honors and Awards:**

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**Leadership Activities:**

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**The Actual Interview:**

- Be prompt.
- Unless the interviewer uses your name, introduce yourself politely.
- Shake hands firmly, but briefly.
- Answer questions directly and truthfully.
- Be courteous, professional, and cooperative.
- Ask questions, and show enthusiasm.
- Thank the interviewer(s) for their time.

**Questions to Expect**

1. Tell me about yourself.
2. Why are you the best candidate for the job?
3. Why are you interested in this job?
4. What are your greatest strengths? Weaknesses?
5. How has your education/training prepared you for this job?
6. What would your teachers, former employers, or references say about you?
7. Do you understand that you may be subject to a drug test and background check if you are hired?
8. When are you available to work?

**Questions to Ask**

1. Would you describe a typical work day?
2. Can this job lead to other positions in the company?
3. What skills are most important in this position?
4. If hired, would I report directly to you, or someone else?
5. Do you provide training opportunities?
6. When can I expect to hear from you?
7. Can I contact you by phone or e-mail?

**Follow-Up**

Write a thank you letter within 24 hours of the interview.

*The pocket survival tool for job applications and interviews*

**Preparing for the job interview**

- Fill in this pocket resume
- Learn something about the company
- Have a specific job in mind
- Review your qualifications for the job
- Practice answering likely interview questions
- Have social security number and drivers license number when applying

**Appearance**

- Neat and clean grooming
- Appropriate clothing
- Make-up in good taste

**What to take with you**

- This pocket resume
- Small pad and pen
- Samples of your own work



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