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# **Botanist Job Interview Preparation Guide.**

#### Question #1

How long do you want to work for us if we hire you?

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Here being specific is probably not the best approach. You may consider responding, "I hope a very long time." Or "As long as we're both happy with my performance."

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#### Question # 2

What motivates you the most?

#### Answer:-

Is it money? Is it career development? Is it recognition? Is it a sense of achievement? Is it to impress your peers? Is it for fame?

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## Question #3

Tell me a difficult situation you have overcome in the workplace?

#### Answer:

Conflict resolution, problem solving, communication and coping under pressure are transferable skills desired by many employers As Botanist. Answering this question right can help you demonstrate all of these traits.

- \* Use real-life examples from your previous roles that you are comfortable explaining
- \* Choose an example that demonstrates the role you played in resolving the situation clearly
- \* Remain professional at all times you need to demonstrate that you can keep a cool head and know how to communicate with people

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## Question # 4

How do you adapt to new working environments As Botanist?

#### Answer:-

It's important that you demonstrate that you can adapt to changing environments quickly. You want to stress that you can manage change. The one thing in life that is constant after all, is change.

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## Question # 5

What is the difference between a big ego and a healthy ego?

#### Answer:-

"Ego" should be replaced by confidence. It's good to be confident as it shows that you know what you're doing. However, a big ego is when confidence spirals out of control and you become arrogant.

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## Question # 6

What is your greatest fear?

#### Answer:

We all have fears. It's okay to discuss them. Just don't dive too deeply into them. Discuss how you would work to overcome your fears. You don't want to seem weak. You want to acknowledge it's out there but that you'll be able to work through it.

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## Question #7

When were you most satisfied in your job As Botanist?



#### Answer:-

I'm a people person. I was always happiest and most satisfied when I was interacting with community residents, making sure I was able to meet their needs and giving them the best possible comfort in a tough situation. It was my favorite part of the job, and it showed. Part of the reason I'm interested in this job is that I know I'd have even more interaction with the public, on an even more critical level.

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#### Question #8

Have you ever been caught stealing, or better yet, have you ever stole anything?

#### Answer:-

I guess everyone takes a pen or paper or little things like that. But other than that, NO. I have never stole from my employers or better yet As Botanist, from anyone.

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## Question #9

How well do you perform under pressure?

#### Answer.

This is a fair question, as potential employers want to know if you're going to be able to get the job done even when things get a little bit stressful. You may say that you thrive under pressure or that you're able to get the job done even when things get a little bit stressful, just make sure to provide some real world examples of your ability to work under pressure in a prior job.

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#### Question # 10

What kind of car do you drive?

#### Answer:-

The only time this might matter is if the job requires a certain type of car because of the responsibilities. For example, if you need to load a lot of construction materials into your car, you'll probably need a truck.

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#### Question #11

What qualities do you look for in a boss?

#### Answer:

Remain optimistic and do not be too specific. Good attributes include moral character, honesty, and intelligence since managers usually believe they possess these qualities.

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## Question # 12

What kind of work interests you the most?

#### Answer:

You can talk about what you're passionate about. What motivates you. What excites you.

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## Question # 13

What critical component of this position As Botanist makes the work challenging?

#### Answer:-

Heading information: This should include job title, pay grade or range, reporting relationship (by position, not individual), hours or shifts, and the likelihood of overtime or weekend work.

Summary objective of the job: List the general responsibilities and descriptions of key tasks and their purpose, relationships with customers, coworkers, and others, and the results expected of incumbent employees.

Qualifications: State the education, experience, training, and technical skills necessary for entry into this job.

Special demands: This should include any extraordinary conditions applicable to the job As Botanist (for example, heavy lifting, exposure to temperature extremes, prolonged standing, or travel).

Job duties and responsibilities: Only two features of job responsibility are important: identifying tasks that comprise about 90 to 95 percent of the work done and listing tasks in order of the time consumed (or, sometimes, in order of importance).

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## Question # 14

What's the difference between good and exceptionally great?

#### Answer:-

Being good is getting the job done as promised As Botanist. Being great is delivering the work in an exceptional way that completely exceeds expectations.

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#### Question # 15

Are you good at working in a team As Botanist?

#### Answer:-

Before you answer, consider how you best contribute to a team:



- \* Do you get along easily with people?
- \* Are you an effective collaborator?
- \* Can you communicate with people from various backgrounds and with different personalities?
- \* Can you motivate people?
- \* Do you know how to push back tactfully?
- \* Can you mediate conflicts?
- \* Can you deal with difficult personalities?

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#### Question # 16

Do you ever take work home with you?

#### Answer:-

Here are two great sample answers that might help get you started:

- \* I am an extremely organized person, so I tend to be able to get my work done at work. However, if the need arose I would not be against taking work home. I try not to make it a habit, since I do value my free time. I do realize though that the work we do is important, and sometimes you have to do what needs to be done.
- \* I do not shy away from taking work home with me. I know that meeting deadlines and doing outstanding work sometimes means taking a bit of it home. I do not have a problem doing that when the need arises.
- \* Make sure to give an honest answer. Lying about taking work home may turn out badly for you if it is required and you do not do it.

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#### Question # 17

Tell me about a time when you had to use your presentation skills to influence someone's opinion As Botanist?

#### Answer-

Example stories could be a class project, an internal meeting presentation, or a customer facing presentation.

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#### Question # 18

What is your greatest strength As Botanist?

#### Answer-

This is your time to shine. Just remember the interviewer is looking for work related strengths As Botanist. Mention a number of them such as being a good motivator, problem solver, performing well under pressure, being loyal, having a positive attitude, eager to learn, taking initiative, and attention to detail. Whichever you go for, be prepared to give examples that illustrate this particular skill.

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## Question #19

How do you keep others informed on work issues?

#### Answer:

Possible methods:

Talking to them, emailing them, sharing best practices in meetings

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#### Question # 20

Your coworker highlights your mistakes in front of everyone, how do you handle the situation?

#### Answer:-

Admit to the mistake without being emotional, but then discuss how you are being proactive in getting it fixed. Lastly, pull the co-worker aside later on to tell them that you'd appreciate it if they gave you the feedback 1:1 first before throwing you under the bus.

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#### Question # 21

What have you learned from mistakes on this job?

#### Answer.

Candidates without specific examples often do not seem credible. However, the example shared should be fairly inconsequential, unintentional, and a learned lesson should be gleaned from it. Moving ahead without group assistance while assigned to a group project meant to be collaborative is a good example.

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## Question # 22

What are you passionate about?

#### Answer:-

Ask yourself - what are your core passions that you wake up excited to act on each and every day? Ask yourself what makes you happy or drives you - is it helping others? Is it making money? Is it creating something? Is it about changing the world? Etc.

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#### Question # 23

Describe a time where you've failed and bounced back?



#### Answer:-

Share a story to describe this. For example: "I accidentally made the mistake of telling a customer I could deliver on a solution set on a certain date and then later found out our business partner couldn't do it on that time. I learned that I shouldn't rush into important decisions and promises like this and that I should always check with my counterparts first before committing to a statement of work."

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#### Question # 24

Why are manhole covers round?

#### Answer:-

This is a classic brainteaser, which was reportedly first asked by a Microsoft interviewer. Here's how to ""solve"" this brainteaser (remember to speak and reason out loud while solving this brainteaser): Why are manhole covers round? Could there be a structural reason? Why aren't manhole covers square? It would make it harder to fit with a cover. You'd have to rotate it exactly the right way.

The pipes below are also round, so fitting them might be easier, as might be making them. So many manhole covers are round because they don't need to be rotated. There are no corners to deal with. Also, a round manhole cover won't fall into a hole because it was rotated the wrong way, so it's safer. Looking at this, it seems corners are a problem. You can't cut yourself on a round manhole cover. And because it's round, it can be more easily transported. One person can roll it.

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#### Question # 25

What is your greatest strength? How does it help you As Botanist?

#### Answer.

One of my greatest strengths, and that I am a diligent worker... I care about the work getting done.. I am always willing to help others in the team.. Being patient helps me not jump to conclusions... Patience helps me stay calm when I have to work under pressure.. Being a diligent worker.. It ensures that the team has the same goals in accomplishing certain things.

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#### Question # 26

Explain a time when you did not get along with your coworker?

#### Answer:-

I used to lock heads with a fellows. We disagreed over a lot of things - from the care of civilians to who got what shifts to how to speak with a victim's family. Our personalities just didn't mesh. After three months of arguing, I pulled her aside and asked her to lunch. At lunch, we talked about our differences and why we weren't getting along. It turns out, it was all about communication. We communicated differently and once we knew that, we began to work well together. I really believe that talking a problem through with someone can help solve any issue.

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## Question # 27

What are ideas or initiatives you've led and what was the outcome?

#### Answer:

Describe your most unique ideas and initiatives that had the best results for the company. Make sure you highlight your creativity, your results, your diligence and your ability to execute.

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## Question # 28

What are your thoughts on failure?

#### Answer:-

Failure happens. It's a part of life. The key is understanding that you can't be perfect at everything and more importantly you're going to learn from failures to come out stronger.

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#### Question # 29

Where do you see yourself in five years As Botanist?

#### Answer:-

If asked this question, be honest and specific about your future goals, but consider this:

A hiring manager wants to know

- \* a) if you've set realistic expectations for your career,
- \* b) if you have ambition (a.k.a., this interview isn't the first time you're considering the question), and
- \* c) if the position aligns with your goals and growth. Your best bet is to think realistically about where this position could take you and answer along those lines. And if the position isn't necessarily a one-way ticket to your aspirations?

It's OK to say that you're not quite sure what the future holds, but that you see this experience playing an important role in helping you make that decision.

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#### Question # 30

How do you handle your anger?

#### Answer:-

I don't get angry very easily but in the rare occasion that I do, I hold it in and act as though nothing is wrong.

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#### Question #31

If you were an animal, which one would you want to be?

#### Answer-

Seemingly random personality-test type questions like these come up in interviews generally because hiring managers want to see how you can think on your feet. There's no wrong answer here, but you'll immediately gain bonus points if your answer helps you share your strengths or personality or connect with the hiring manager. Pro tip: Come up with a stalling tactic to buy yourself some thinking time, such as saying, "Now, that is a great question. I think I would have to say..."

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#### Question #32

How well do you know this industry?

#### Answer:-

Two things businesses need to pay attention to in their industries are what their competition is doing and the customers. You may not always agree with your competitors but it is important to be aware of what changes they are making. Very well. I have been in the industry for over 6 years.

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#### Question #33

Suppose there are three light switches outside a room. Inside is a single light bulb, controlled by one of the three switches. You need to determine which switch operates the bulb. You can turn the switches on and off as many times as you wish (they are all off to begin with), but may only enter the room once. There is no one there to help you. The door to the room is closed, and there are no windows, so you cannot see inside. How can you discover which switch operates the bulb?

#### Answer:-

Do the following steps:

- \* 1. Turn ON two switches, and leave one OFF.
- \* 2. Wait a few minutes.
- \* 3. Turn one switch from ON to OFF. One is now ON and two are OFF
- \* 4. Enter the room. If the light is ON, it is controlled by the switch you left ON. If the light bulb is OFF, touch it. If it is warm it is controlled by the switch you turned ON and OFF. If it is cold, it is controlled by the switch you never turned on.

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#### Question # 34

What are some of the things that you and your supervisor disagree upon and how do you resolve them? What do you do when you are pressed for a decision?

#### Answer-

The key is that you openly communicate your thoughts to your supervisor to explain your position and try to come to a mutual decision together. Also be sure to listen to his/her thoughts so that you can potentially compromise. When you're pressed for a decision, make sure you've put thought into the reasons as to how you arrived at it and then decisively make it.

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## Question # 35

Have you ever been fired and if yes, why?

#### Answer:-

Answer this as positively as possible and try to avoid disparaging the company you had previously worked for. The key is to accept the fact that yes, you were fired, but you've learned from the mistakes that got you there and you're better now because of it. If you haven't been fired, well, then this question's a piece of cake isn't it?

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#### Question # 36

How will you approach learning this "new" job As Botanist?

#### Answer:

Interview peers and leaders/managers, read industry news, practice the skill sets needed, absorb information on the job as much as possible.

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#### Question # 37

How do you define arrogance? Are you arrogant?

## Answer:-

Arrogance is having an attitude of superiority beyond reason. Confidence is believing in yourself without being cocky. You should not be arrogant.

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## Question # 38

Did you get on well with your last manager?

#### Answer:

A dreaded question for many! When answering this question never give a negative answer. "I did not get on with my manager" or "The management did not run the business well" will show you in a negative light and reduce your chance of a job offer. Answer the question positively, emphasizing that you have been looking for a career progression. Start by telling the interviewer what you gained from your last job As Botanist

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## Question # 39



What do you like to do outside of work?

#### Answer:-

Interviewers ask personal questions in an interview to "see if candidates will fit in with the culture [and] give them the opportunity to open up and display their personality, too,". In other words, if someone asks about your hobbies outside of work, it's totally OK to open up and share what really makes you tick. (Do keep it semi-professional, though: Saying you like to have a few beers at the local hot spot on Saturday night is fine. Telling them that Monday is usually a rough day for you because you're always hungover is not.)

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#### Question # 40

In what areas do you think you will need guidance?

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Think about what you need to learn going into the job. Skill sets, industry knowledge, relationship building, team dynamics. Which areas are ones you're lacking?

#### Question # 41

What motivates you to succeed?

#### Answer.

Your interviewer will likely want to know the reasons why you will remain motivated to do your best during your employment with the company As Botanist. Perhaps you are interested in being challenged, but you may also have interest in being recognized for your hard work in the form of the number of sales you can attain. A great example answer for this question is "I always do my best in everything, including my job. I take pride in my success, and I also want the company for which I work to be successful. Being affiliated with a company that is known for its excellence is very important to me."

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#### Question # 42

Why should we give you this job As Botanist when someone else is equally qualified?

#### Answer-

Describe how you're unique, but make sure you tie it to the job responsibilities and how you would impact the company. For example, "I believe my unique programming skills and experience in developing over 18 best selling iphone apps will help the company develop high quality applications faster than my competitors"

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#### Question # 43

Do you work well under pressure?

#### Answer:

Yes.. When it comes down to the wire, the best thing I can to remain focused, have some flexibility, and understand priorities.. Giving them attention in the order they are needed.

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## Question # 44

What techniques and tools do you use to keep yourself organized As Botanist?

#### Answer:

Utilizing a calendar, having a notebook with your "to do" list, focusing on your top 3 priorities each and every day, utilizing a systematic way of storing documents on your computer (like box.net)

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#### Question # 45

What schedule do you hope to work? Are you willing to work extra hours?

#### Answer-

Be honest. If you really want the job and are willing to work any schedule needed, say so. If, however, you have no intention of working late hours or weekends, simply let the interviewer know the hours that you are available to work. The same applies to extra hours. You are more likely to be hired if you are willing to work any time you are needed. However, saying that you are willing and then complaining about the hours once you start working is a recipe for disaster.

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## Question # 46

How would you motivate your team members to produce the best possible results?

#### Answer:

Trying to create competitive atmosphere, trying to motivate the team as a whole, organizing team building activities, building good relationships amongst people.

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## Question # 47

Tell me one thing about yourself you wouldn't want me to know?

#### Answer:-

Talk about a trait that you would consider a weakness. No need to talk about your deepest darkest secrets here.



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#### Question # 48

Give me an example of an emergency situation that you faced. How did you handle it?

#### Answer-

There was a time when one of my employers faced the quitting of a manager in another country. I was asked to go fill in for him while they found a replacement and stay to train that person. I would be at least 30 days. I quickly accepted because I knew that my department couldn't function without me.

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#### Question # 49

What would you do if our competitor offered you a position As Botanist?

#### Answer:-

I would weigh the offer and consider it, however, this company and this role is my first choice.

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#### Question # 50

Why do you want to work As Botanist for this organisation?

#### Answer:-

Being unfamiliar with the organisation will spoil your chances with 75% of interviewers, according to one survey, so take this chance to show you have done your preparation and know the company inside and out. You will now have the chance to demonstrate that you've done your research, so reply mentioning all the positive things you have found out about the organisation and its sector etc. This means you'll have an enjoyable work environment and stability of employment etc everything that brings out the best in you.

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#### Question # 51

What types of personalities do you work with best?

#### Answer-

In the past, I have found it difficult to work with others who see themselves as better than others, who can take criticism, and who refuse to work with others. I have found it challenging to work with them b/c I am a team oriented person who feels the importance of working together over the needs of the individual especially in a learning environment.

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## Question # 52

Do you have any question regarding this job As Botanist?

#### Answer:

Never ask Salary, perks, leave, place of posting, etc. regarded questions. Try to ask more about the company to show how early you can make a contribution to your organization like. "Sir, with your kind permission I would like to know more about induction and developmental programs?" OR Sir, I would like to have my feedback, so that I can analyze and improve my strengths and rectify my shortcomings.

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## Question # 53

How do you plan to go by an example for your subordinates?

#### Answer:

Sticking to the rules by yourself, working hard and not mind participating on basic tasks is a good answer.

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#### Question # 54

How do you handle stressful situations?

#### Answer-

By remaining calm, weighing out all my options and executing a plan to get the situation resolve .

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## Question # 55

How would you go about establishing your credibility quickly As Botanist with the team?

#### Answer:

Fully understand my responsibilities, work hard and exceed expectations, learn as much as possible, help others as much as possible, understand what my teammates' goals and needs are, be on time, and gain a mentor.

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## Question # 56

What features of your previous jobs have you disliked?

#### Answer:-



It's easy to talk about what you liked about your job in an interview, but you need to be careful when responding to questions about the downsides of your last position. When you're asked at a job interview about what you didn't like about your previous job, try not to be too negative. You don't want the interviewer to think that you'll speak negatively about this job or the company should you eventually decide to move on after they have hired you.

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#### Question # 57

How do you keep each member of the team involved and motivated?

#### Answer-

Many managers mistakenly think that money is the prime motivator for their employees. However, according to surveys by several different companies, money is consistently ranked five or lower by most employees. So if money is not the best way to motivate your team, what is? Employees' three most important issues according to employees are:

- \* Respect
- \* A sense of accomplishment
- \* Recognition

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#### Question # 58

How many square feet of pizza are eaten in the United States each month?

#### Answer:-

This is a classic guesstimate question where you need to think aloud. And so first off you round the U.S. population to 300 million people (it's actually about 315 million but rounding will be much easier and your interviewer will not score you lower for rounding). Then estimate how many people eat pizza. A decent educated guess is two out of every three people, or 200 million. Now let's say the average pizza-eating person eats pizza twice a month, and eats two slices at a time. That's four slices a month. If the average slice of pizza is perhaps six inches at the base and 10 inches long, then the slice is 30 square inches of pizza. So, four pizza slices would be 120 square inches (30 times 4).

Since one square foot equals 144 square inches (12 times 12), let's assume that each person who eats pizza eats one square foot per month. Since there are 200 million pizza-eating Americans, 200 million square feet of pizza are consumed in the U.S. each month. To summarize: 300 million people in America, 200 million eat pizza, average slice of pizza is six inches at the base and 10 inches long or 30 square inches, average American eats four slices of pizza a month, four pieces times 30 square inches equals 120 square inches (one square foot is 144 square inches), so let's assume one square foot per person, and thus one square foot times 200 million people equals 200 million square feet of pizza a month.

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#### Question # 59

Why are you leaving your current job?

#### Answer:-

This is a toughie, but one you can be sure you'll be asked. Definitely keep things positive-you have nothing to gain by being negative about your past employers. Instead, frame things in a way that shows that you're eager to take on new opportunities and that the role you're interviewing for is a better fit for you than your current or last position. For example, "I'd really love to be part of product development from beginning to end, and I know I'd have that opportunity here." And if you were let go? Keep it simple: "Unfortunately, I was let go," is a totally OK answer.

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## Question # 60

What general trends do you see in our industry?

#### Answer:

Examine what's happened in the industry in the last 5 - 10 years and how it's evolved and then look at what both the company and analysts are saying about the future of that industry in which that company competes in. Read trade magazines / online sources in that industry as well to make sure you stay up to date on trends.

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## Question # 61

Rate yourself on a scale of 10?

#### Answer:-

If you truly believe you're a 10, you better be able to explain why with examples / stories. If you believe you're a great contributor and have room to grow, say 8 or 9. If you're below that, explain what you would do to improve yourself to get the ranking you believe you can be.

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#### Question # 62

What kind of salary do you need As Botanist?

#### Answer:-

This is a loaded question and a nasty little game that you will probably lose if you answer first. So, do not answer it. Instead, say something like, that's a tough question. Can you tell me the range for this position? In most cases, the interviewer, taken off guard, will tell you. If not, say that it can depend on the details of the job. Then give a wide range.

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#### Question # 63

Explain me about a time when you reached a goal within a tight deadline?

#### Answer:

I work well under pressure to meet deadlines without jeopardizing the quality of my work. I have always worked in a fast pace environment where we are constantly



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