

# Canadian Imperial Bank Interview Questions And Answers Guide.



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## Question # 1

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 In Canadian Imperial Bank, from anyone.

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## Question # 2

What did you dislike about your old job?

### Answer:-

Try to avoid any pin point , like never say "I did not like my manager or I did not like environment or I did not like team" Never use negative terminology. Try to keep focus on every thing was good In Canadian Imperial Bank , I just wanted to make change for proper growth.

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## Question # 3

What's your management style?

### Answer:-

The best managers are strong but flexible, and that's exactly what you want to show off in your answer. (Think something like, "While every situation and every team member requires a bit of a different strategy, I tend to approach my employee relationships as a coach...") Then, share a couple of your best managerial moments, like when you grew your team from five to 15 or coached an underperforming employee to become the company's top employee.

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## Question # 4

Why was there a gap in your employment In Canadian Imperial Bank?

### Answer:-

If you were unemployed for a period of time, be direct and to the point about what you've been up to (and hopefully, that's a litany of impressive volunteer and other mind-enriching activities, like blogging or taking classes). Then, steer the conversation toward how you will do the job and contribute to the organization: "I decided to take a break at the time, but today I'm ready to contribute to this organization in the following ways."

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## Question # 5

Would you like doing repetitive work?

### Answer:-

Why not, I am not only doing a repetitive work but also earning but also getting a good salary by the company In Canadian Imperial Bank. And second thing is that nothing is interesting in the life till we are not interested.

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## Question # 6

Do you work well on a team? How would you define teamwork?

### Answer:-

I would define team work as getting the job done In Canadian Imperial Bank whether that means if I have to do more then the guy next to me as long as the work gets finished.

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## Question # 7

How many basketballs would fit in this room?

**Answer:-**

One. You did not ask what is the maximum number of basketballs you can fit in the room.

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**Question # 8**

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 # 9**

What do you consider to be your weaknesses?

**Answer:-**

What your interviewer is really trying to do with this question-beyond identifying any major red flags-is to gauge your self-awareness and honesty. So, "I can't meet a deadline to save my life In Canadian Imperial Bank" is not an option-but neither is "Nothing! I'm perfect!" Strike a balance by thinking of something that you struggle with but that you're working to improve. For example, maybe you've never been strong at public speaking, but you've recently volunteered to run meetings to help you be more comfortable when addressing a crowd.

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**Question # 10**

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 # 11**

Why are you leaving the present company?

**Answer:-**

According to me we can not grow in the field without taking more responsibilities and risks and also we can't enhance our team leading capabilities, managerial skills without expose to wide range of people.

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**Question # 12**

Why should I hire you In Canadian Imperial Bank?

**Answer:-**

To close the deal on a job offer, you MUST be prepared with a concise summary of the top reasons to choose you. Even if your interviewer doesn't ask one of these question in so many words, you should have an answer prepared and be looking for ways to communicate your top reasons throughout the interview process.

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**Question # 13**

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 # 14**

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 # 15**



How much do you expect to get paid In Canadian Imperial Bank?

**Answer:-**

For this be prepared and research salary to find out what similar positions are paying in your area before you go to the interview. Try to find this information out before giving your salary expectations. You can and should provide a range instead of an exact number. But again, don't say any numbers you're not comfortable with because if the employer offers you a salary at the lowest end of your range, you don't have much to negotiate with when it comes to getting a higher salary.

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**Question # 16**

What do you think we could do better or differently?

**Answer:-**

This is a common one at startups. Hiring managers want to know that you not only have some background on the company, but that you're able to think critically about it and come to the table with new ideas. So, come with new ideas! What new features would you love to see? How could the company increase conversions? How could customer service be improved? You don't need to have the company's four-year strategy figured out, but do share your thoughts, and more importantly, show how your interests and expertise would lend themselves to the job.

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**Question # 17**

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 # 18**

What would your first 30, 60, or 90 days look like in this role In Canadian Imperial Bank?

**Answer:-**

Start by explaining what you'd need to do to get ramped up. What information would you need? What parts of the company would you need to familiarize yourself with? What other employees would you want to sit down with? Next, choose a couple of areas where you think you can make meaningful contributions right away. (e.g., "I think a great starter project would be diving into your email marketing campaigns and setting up a tracking system for them.") Sure, if you get the job, you (or your new employer) might decide there's a better starting place, but having an answer prepared will show the interviewer where you can add immediate impact-and that you're excited to get started.

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**Question # 19**

What's a time you exercised leadership?

**Answer:-**

Depending on what's more important for the the role, you'll want to choose an example that showcases your project management skills (spearheading a project from end to end, juggling multiple moving parts) or one that shows your ability to confidently and effectively rally a team. And remember: "The best stories include enough detail to be believable and memorable,". Show how you were a leader in this situation and how it represents your overall leadership experience and potential.

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**Question # 20**

Where do you see yourself professionally five years from now In Canadian Imperial Bank?

**Answer:-**

Demonstrate both loyalty and ambition in the answer to this question. After sharing your personal ambition, it may be a good time to ask the interviewer if your ambitions match those of the company.

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**Question # 21**

Why should the we hire you as this position In Canadian Imperial Bank?

**Answer:-**

This is the part where you link your skills, experience, education and your personality to the job itself. This is why you need to be utterly familiar with the job description as well as the company culture. Remember though, it's best to back them up with actual examples of say, how you are a good team player.

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**Question # 22**

Are you planning to continue your studies and training In Canadian Imperial Bank?

**Answer:-**

If asked about plans for continued education, companies typically look for applicants to tie independent goals with the aims of the employer. Interviewers consistently want to see motivation to learn and improve. Continuing education shows such desires, especially when potentials display interests in academia potentially benefiting the company.

Answering in terms of "I plan on continuing my studies in the technology field," when offered a question from a technology firm makes sense. Tailor answers about continued studies specific to desired job fields. Show interest in the industry and a desire to work long-term in said industry. Keep answers short and to the point, avoiding diatribes causing candidates to appear insincere.



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### Question # 23

Give an example of a time you successfully worked In Canadian Imperial Bank on a team?

#### Answer:-

On the whole I prefer to stick to doing what I'm told rather than setting myself up to fail by doing things off my own bat. But there was this one time when I suggested to my boss at the pizza parlor that she try offering an 'all you can eat' deal to students to boost trade on Mondays. She thought it was an interesting idea but nothing ever came of it.

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### Question # 24

How have you changed in the last five years?

#### Answer:-

All in a nutshell. But I think I've attained a level of personal comfort in many ways and although I will change even more in the next 5-6 years I'm content with the past 6 and what has come of them.

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### Question # 25

What's your salary history?

#### Answer:-

When you are interviewing for a new job, it is common practice for the company to ask you about your salary history. I typically want to know what the candidate's base salary is, if they receive any bonus, the average bonus amount, and any additional compensation or perks, such as 500k matching, stock grants or stock options, paid time off and how much they are required to pay towards their medical premiums.

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### Question # 26

What do you consider to be your greatest strength?

#### Answer:-

There isn't any right answer. Just make sure to make your response positive and true. A few good examples include: Your ability to solve complex problems, Your ability to work well on a team, Your ability to shine under pressure, Your ability to focus in chaotic situations, Your ability to prioritize and organize, Your ability to cut through the fluff to identify the real issues, Your ability to influence other positively. If your strength relates to the position in question that will be more beneficial - but again be honest, don't create a strength for yourself just because you think it will sound good.

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### Question # 27

Why do you think you'll do well at this job?

#### Answer:-

Provide several reasons including skills, experience and interest. If you can show how you've been successful in a similar career field or job position that will go along way to helping the interviewer believe you'll also be successful at this new job.

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### Question # 28

How do you measure success?

#### Answer:-

There may be several good answers. Some include: you're able to set realistic, yet aggressive goals that push you and you're able to achieve them, you go the extra mile on all projects, client satisfaction is high, your boss is elated at your performance on all projects, etc.

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### Question # 29

Are you able to relocate if required?

#### Answer:-

Be completely honest and thoughtful with this one. You don't want to wake up one to find out that you're moving to a new city or state and it may be a major factor in your eligibility for employment. But again, if you don't want to move then the job probably isn't for you.

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### Question # 30

Describe your management style?

#### Answer:-

Try to avoid specific classifications, whatever it may be. Organizations usually prefer managers who can adapt their skills to different situations.

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### Question # 31

Do you have any blind spots?

**Answer:-**

This question is often meant to trick candidates since acknowledgment of blind spots would indicate they were aware of them. Also, do not disclose bad habits or other personal concerns. Let the interviewer find out about your personal flaws through the course of the interview without directly stating these flaws.

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**Question # 32**

Describe your work ethic?

**Answer:-**

While discussing this, be sure to stress specific examples of what you bring to the company. Good qualities include resolve to fulfill job responsibilities, optimism, and a desire to be as efficient as possible while at work.

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**Question # 33**

Top 12 Stress Based Interview Questions In Canadian Imperial Bank:

**Answer:-**

Some jobs require employees to work under stress, and some interviewers just like to see how applicants handle stressful questions.

There are many questions designed for putting the interviewee into an awkward situation, or throwing them off, to see how they do under stress. Here are some samples.

1. How do you feel this interview is going In Canadian Imperial Bank?
2. How would you handle undeserved criticism from a superior?
3. How many other jobs are you applying for?
4. What would you do if you saw a colleague stealing supplies or equipment?
5. What did you do when you had a boss you didn't get along with?
6. What would you do if a colleague took credit for your idea, and got a promotion?
7. Was the stress of your previous job too much for you?
8. What would you do if a colleague admitted to lying on their resume to get the job?
9. What would you do if a customer verbally insulted you in front of co-workers?
10. What would you change about the design of a baseball hat?
11. Why were you fired from your previous job In Canadian Imperial Bank?
12. How successful do you think you've been so far?

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**Question # 34**

What do you consider ethical spending on an expense account?

**Answer:-**

It depends on the role - but the better way to answer this is to ask the interviewer what their expectations are with regards to what the role can expense and then simply state that you'll stay within those parameters

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**Question # 35**

If you have multiple projects on your plate, how do you handle completing them on time?

**Answer:-**

Prioritize based on business importance. Set clear timelines for each so that you know which ones to knock out first. Get your teammates to help if necessary.

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**Question # 36**

Tell me about a time when you had to use your presentation skills to influence someone's opinion In Canadian Imperial Bank?

**Answer:-**

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

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**Question # 37**

Describe a time when you anticipated potential problems and developed preventive measures?

**Answer:-**

The key here is to show that you were proactive. How did you find out about the potential problems? How did you address it quickly?

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**Question # 38**

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 # 39**



What did you major in and why?

**Answer:-**

Tell them your major and the motivations behind why you chose it and how it's helped to prep you for this potential job.

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**Question # 40**

What type of personalities do you work best with and why?

**Answer:-**

Think of which personalities you work best with (do you like outgoing, collaborative, personable working relationships and so forth?)

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**Question # 41**

What is the most important lesson / skill you've learned from school?

**Answer:-**

Think of lessons learned in extra curricular activities, in clubs, in classes that had a profound impact on your personal development. For example, I had to lead a team of 5 people on a school project and learned to get people with drastically different personalities to work together as a team to achieve our objective.

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**Question # 42**

How long do you envision yourself staying with this company?

**Answer:-**

Understand that companies invest a lot of money into hiring the right staff. You want to emphasize that you are in it for the long run and you want to develop a career there and that it's not just a "5 month stepping stone" type of a job. You should be thinking how you're going to grow with that company. After all, don't you want to invest your energy and time with a company that is going to continue to be successful and one that will help you grow?

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**Question # 43**

How has school prepared you for this job role?

**Answer:-**

Think back to how you've interacted with your peers to develop social skills, how you've worked with classmates on projects to develop teamwork and collaborative skills, how you've developed discipline through studying, how the courses have helped your creativity, and how the classes you've taken have impacted your analytical / problem solving / reasoning skills.

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**Question # 44**

Have you ever mentored anyone before? If yes, describe the situation?

**Answer:-**

Describe a time where you've helped someone else. Mentor ships can be informal so as you've helped someone over a period of time that can certainly count. The key is to highlight how you utilized certain skills/attributes like coaching, teaching, patience, communication skills, and so forth to mentor that person.

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**Question # 45**

What will your ramp time be before you become a meaningful contributor?

**Answer:-**

Companies want staff that can ramp quickly, but also want people who are realistic. So take into consideration how intense the job is and then give a good answer. For example, if you have simple responsibilities that don't require a huge development curve, then your ramp time will probably be shorter. If it's a complex set of skills that you need to develop, then your ramp time could be longer - the key is you have to explain why you believe that ramp time should be.

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**Question # 46**

How do you inspire others to be better?

**Answer:-**

First, the key to inspiring others is to first understand what their goals and objectives are. Once you understand what people want, you can inspire them with a vision that aligns to what they care about. People generally care about having purpose, being successful (and being recognized for it), contributing in a meaningful way, and financial rewards (to a degree) and much more. Then once you understand what people set as goals, you can inspire them through 1:1 pep talks, a presentation to multiple people and so forth.

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**Question # 47**

How articulate are you in expressing your ideas?

**Answer:-**

One of the best ways to answer this question is clearly articulate three points that demonstrate how articulate you are (and in a sense show that in a live setting) - for example: "I would say I'm articulate because one, I typically gather my thoughts before speaking, two, I organize my thoughts well, and three I'm concise when



making a point.

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### Question # 48

How important is a positive attitude to you?

**Answer:-**

Incredibly important. I believe a positive attitude is the foundation of being successful - it's contagious in the workplace, with our customers, and ultimately it's the difference maker.

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### Question # 49

How good are you at problem solving?

**Answer:-**

Describe the problem first and then discuss how you were able to fix it.

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### Question # 50

If I talked to your three biggest fans, who would they be and why?

**Answer:-**

If you can reference three professionals with executive titles (CXO, VP, Director, Manager), that carries a lot of weight. Make sure you highlight how you've helped them achieve their biggest objectives and how that's made them your fan.

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### Question # 51

What were the responsibilities of your last position In Canadian Imperial Bank?

**Answer:-**

If you want to show your ambition, you can discuss how you haven't reached all of your goals yet and in that sense aren't satisfied. However, if you want to discuss satisfaction from your job discuss an experience in which you achieved something.

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### Question # 52

What do you like to do?

**Answer:-**

Discuss your passions In Canadian Imperial Bank. Ideally if it's work related that's fantastic! If not, talk about your academic / extracurricular passions and WHY you enjoy them. For example: I love playing sports because of the team work aspect - it's fun winning together! (This example shows you're a team player)

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### Question # 53

What do you ultimately want to become?

**Answer:-**

Do you want to be an entry level worker In Canadian Imperial Bank? Do you want to be a leader? Do you want to be an entrepreneur? Do you want to be a philanthropist? Do you want to be in middle management? Ask yourself these questions to figure it out.

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### Question # 54

How do you feel about taking no for an answer?

**Answer:-**

It's good to be persistent, but not overbearing. Everyone will face rejection at some point in their life, so at some point you'll have to take no for an answer but then learn why you were turned down.

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### Question # 55

How would you feel about working for someone who knows less than you In Canadian Imperial Bank?

**Answer:-**

The reality is, the majority of the time someone is in a management/leadership position is because of their experience and past success. So they probably possess at least a unique set of knowledge from you. So you'll want to learn from them as much as possible. If it's not the case, then discuss how you would look for mentors in different departments to help your personal career development.

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### Question # 56

What would you do if you won the lottery?

**Answer:-**





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The interviewer is asking this question to find out what your true passion is. Ideally it aligns to the type of work you're interviewing for. If not, tie it back in terms of how it relates to the job, for example, "I believe I'll learn the necessary skills in this job to pursue my passion later on in life."

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### **Question # 57**

What do you do in your spare time?

**Answer:-**

If you want to show your fun side, discuss your extracurricular activities. If you want to show your ambition, discuss the work / school projects you do in your spare time.

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### **Question # 58**

How long will it take for you to make a significant contribution?

**Answer:-**

First define significant contribution - once you do that - lay out a timeline plan in which you think you can achieve that.

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### **Question # 59**

What do you know about this department?

**Answer:-**

One good way to find out about the department is to try to "informally" interview the existing employees over coffee (outside of the office) if possible. It's hard if you don't have any connections there, but if you do a great way to learn about it. Other than that, it's often hard to learn about the department so you can turn the table back on them by asking questions to learn about it.

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### **Question # 60**

Do you have good manners? What types of people need to be treated with good manners?

**Answer:-**

You should have good manners. Everyone should be treated with courtesy and respect.

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### **Question # 61**

What does "thinking outside the box" mean to you?

**Answer:-**

It means not doing things exactly the same way as everyone else. You've got to challenge the status quo and bring something new to the business.

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### **Question # 62**

How much time do you need to join the organization In Canadian Imperial Bank?

**Answer:-**

You should be able to join it right away, barring plans you've already made (family travel, vacation, other obligations). The key is to simply be open in communication of what's already committed on your schedule. Most companies are accommodating. If they are not, weight the importance of joining that company vs. your plans.

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### **Question # 63**

What was the biggest professional risk you have taken and what was the outcome?

**Answer:-**

First discuss how you weighed the pros and cons of the risk and the results you'd believe you could achieve. Then discuss the action plan you put into place for it and outline that step by step. Then discuss the outcome and if it wasn't optimal talk about what you would do differently in hindsight.

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