# Certified Pharmacist Assistant Interview Questions And Answers Guide.



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# Certified Pharmacist Assistant Job Interview Preparation Guide.

#### Question # 1

Explain me what do you know about our company?

#### Answer:-

Bad Answer: They don't know much about the company. If a candidate is serious and enthusiastic, they should have done some basic research. Good answer: An answer that shows they've really done their homework and know what the company does, any important current events that involve the company, and the work culture.

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#### Question # 2

Explain what are your strengths As Certified Pharmacist Assistant?

#### Answer:-

Bad Answer: Candidate is unprepared for question or only gives generic answers.

This is the most common job interview question - everybody should be expecting it. If they don't seem prepared, or give a fairly stock answer, it's probably a bad sign.

Good answer: The consensus is to go for quality, not quantity here. Candidates should give a short list of strengths, and back each one up with examples that illustrate the strength. Also, they should explain how these strengths will be useful in the job you're applying for, and use this question to say something interesting about themselves.

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#### Question # 3

Why are you leaving last job?

#### Answer:-

Although this would seem like a simple question, it can easily become tricky. You shouldn't mention salary being a factor at this point As Certified Pharmacist Assistant. If you're currently employed, your response can focus on developing and expanding your career and even yourself. If you're current employer is downsizing, remain positive and brief. If your employer fired you, prepare a solid reason. Under no circumstance should you discuss any drama or negativity, always remain positive.

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#### Question # 4

What specific steps do you utilize in solving workplace problems?

#### Answer:-

Analyze the problem As Certified Pharmacist Assistant. Discuss possible remedies and resulting outcomes. Decide on the remedy and track results. Re-visit problem if it's not resolved.

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#### Question # 5

How does your present position differ from past ones?

#### Answer:-

Describe the difference with regards to responsibilities, culture, team, career opportunity, and the work itself. **Read More Answers.** 

#### Question # 6

Explain what are your weaknesses As Certified Pharmacist Assistant?

#### Answer:-



Red flags: This is the peanut butter to the previous question's jelly. Again, everyone should expect it, so it's a bad sign if someone seems totally unprepared, or gives a stock answer like, "I'm a perfectionist." Also, of course, candidates crazy enough to blurt out some horrible personality trait should go in the red flagged pile. Good answer: Candidates should talk about a real weakness they've been working on improving. For instance, they're not good at public speaking, but they've been taking a course to help them improve. Or maybe they feel that they're easily distracted when working online, but have installed software that helps them stay on task. Answers like these show a desire for improvement, self awareness and discipline.

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#### Question # 7

How do you adapt to new working environments As Certified Pharmacist Assistant?

#### 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 # 8

Do you work well within a team?

#### Answer:-

Some people are thrown when they are asked this Certified Pharmacist Assistant question when they are applying for a position to work alone. Every company works as a team, so you are a good team player, give an example of when you have worked well within a team.

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#### Question # 9

How do you propose to compensate for your lack of experience?

#### Answer:-

The first thing you should do is discuss experience you have the interviewer is unfamiliar with. Once that is detailed, tell the person conducting the interview that you are able to learn new tasks and information in a reasonable period of time and possess a strong work ethic. However, only state this if you can live up to these expectations.

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#### Question # 10

Give me an example of a time when you set a goal and were able to meet or achieve it?

#### Answer:-

Show that you set great goals and the process and steps you took to achieve it. Details really matter here. Read More Answers.

#### Question # 11

Why are you interested in working As Certified Pharmacist Assistant for [insert company name here]?

#### Answer:-

Bad Answer: They don't have a good reason, or provide a generic answer, "I think it represents a great opportunity." Good answer: One that shows they've done research on the company, and are truly excited about specific things they can do at the job. This not only shows enthusiasm for the work and basic preparation skills, gives you clues about the cultural fit.

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#### Question # 12

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 #13

The change in the business industry now requires you to have a new set of skills you have to learn, how do you react to that?

#### Answer:-

First, find out which skills are the ones that you're currently lacking. Then identify what the steps would be to acquire/build those skills. Then take action to do so. Read More Answers.

#### Question # 14

Can you tell me a little about yourself?

#### Answer:-

This question seems simple, so many people fail to prepare for it, but it's crucial. Here's the deal: Don't give your complete employment (or personal) history As Certified Pharmacist Assistant. Instead give a pitch-one that's concise and compelling and that shows exactly why you're the right fit for the job. Start off with the 2-3 specific accomplishments or experiences that you most want the interviewer to know about, then wrap up talking about how that prior experience has positioned you for this specific role.



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#### Question #15

Why do you want to work for this company?

#### Answer:-

Again be honest. The interviewer will be able to sense very quickly if you're be disingenuous. Your answer should be base on your person reasons, career aspirations as well as research you've performed on the company. The most important thing you should do is make sure to relate your answer to your long-term career goals.

#### Question # 16

How much are you willing to sacrifice to be successful at work As Certified Pharmacist Assistant?

#### Answer:-

With anything comes sacrifice. The questions is how much of it are you willing to sacrifice with regards to work life balance, stress, etc? Read More Answers.

#### Question # 17

If you were hiring a person for this job As Certified Pharmacist Assistant, what would you look for?

#### Answer:-

Discuss qualities you possess required to successfully complete the job duties.

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#### Question # 18

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 #19

Tell us about a suggestion you have made that has benefited an organization you've worked for?

#### Answer:-

This is another opportunity to show the interviewer what you're capable of so make sure to be prepared for this type of question. Have an example ready and make sure its an example of a suggestion you've made that was accepted and that have positive influence. If you can come up with an example that relates to the position you're applying for that would be even better.

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#### Question # 20

Can you explain why you changed career paths As Certified Pharmacist Assistant?

#### Answer:-

Don't be thrown off by this question-just take a deep breath and explain to the hiring manager why you've made the career decisions As Certified Pharmacist Assistant you have. More importantly, give a few examples of how your past experience is transferable to the new role. This doesn't have to be a direct connection; in fact, it's often more impressive when a candidate can make seemingly irrelevant experience seem very relevant to the role. Read More Answers.

#### Question # 21

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 # 22

What types of situations do you consider "unfixable"?

#### Answer:-

Most situations are "fixable" - the ones that are not are typically related to business ethics (someone is cheating the company, someone is stealing, etc) Read More Answers.



#### Question # 23

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

#### Answer:-

I would define team work as getting the job done As Certified Pharmacist Assistant 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 # 24

Tell me an occasion when you needed to persuade someone to do something?

#### Answer:-

Interpersonal relationships are a very important part of being a successful care assistant. This question is seeking a solid example of how you have used powers of persuasion to achieve a positive outcome in a professional task or situation. The answer should include specific details.

#### Question # 25

Can you perform Internet research? Please describe to me your steps in doing so?

#### Answer:-

Internet research can entail Google searches, industry sites, news articles, social networks and company websites.

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#### Question # 26

Why are you the best fit for this job As Certified Pharmacist Assistant?

#### Answer:-

Analyze the job responsibilities and match those to your skills sets. Then discuss how your experience and skills sets can truly create the best impact to the company in that specific job role. Impact could mean marketing impressions, sales, cutting costs, making products more efficiently, creating better customer service, engineering new designs that create customer excitement, etc.

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#### Question # 27

Would you describe yourself as more analytical or interpersonal?

#### Answer:-

If you answer either, just make sure you explain why. For example, "I would consider myself to be more analytical because I'm good at examining a data set and then understanding how to interpret it in a business environment." or "I'm more of interprets on because I enjoy working and collaborating with my teammates and clients"

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#### Question # 28

What classes did you enjoy most in college and why?

#### Answer:-

Think back to the classes that either resonated with your passion or truly helped you to develop skills that you believe will help you in your career. Talk about those.

#### Question # 29

What is your biggest fear?

#### Answer:-

Don't try to sugarcoat the answer by listing something ambitious as a fear, unless you truly mean it (for example: I fear being a great leader) - Share your real fears but discuss how you would overcome them.

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#### Question # 30

Give me a few examples of how you're results oriented?

#### Answer:-

Make you give an example where you discuss details and metrics. For example, I was a tutor in my last job and mentored 5 students on their SAT test taking skills and raised their scores by 15% on average after a 3 month teaching stint. Read More Answers.

#### Question # 31

What can you tell me about team work as part of the job As Certified Pharmacist Assistant?

#### Answer:-

There is usually a team of staff nurses working in cooperation with each other. A team of nurses has to get along well and coordinate their actions, usually by dividing their responsibilities into sectors or specific activities. They help each other perform tasks requiring more than one person.



#### Question # 32

Why do you want to work in this industry As Certified Pharmacist Assistant?

#### Answer:-

Make sure you research the industry first. Then find at least 3 core things about that industry that you're passionate about (for example: how their solutions impact clients, their culture, the leadership, etc)

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#### Question # 33

What do you feel you deserve to be paid?

#### Answer:-

Do your research before answering this question - first, consider what the market average is for this job. You can find that by searching on Google (title followed by salary) and globalguideline.com and other websites. Then, consider this - based on your work experience and previous results, are you above average, if yes, by what % increase from your pay today from your perspective? Also - make sure if you aim high you can back it up with facts and your previous results so that you can make a strong case.

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#### Question # 34

What are your lifelong dreams?

#### Answer:-

If your dreams don't relate to the job closely, make sure you highlight aspects of the job that will help develop the skills that will help you with your dreams. Ideally, you want your dreams to relate strongly to the career path you're interviewing for though.

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#### Question # 35

If you have seven white socks and nine black socks in a drawer, how many socks do you have to pull out blindly in order to ensure that you have a matching pair?

#### Answer:-

if the first one is one color (say, white), and the second one is the other color (black), then the third one, no matter what the color, will make a matching pair. (Sometimes you're not supposed to think that hard.)

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#### Question # 36

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? Read More Answers.

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#### Question # 37

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 Certified Pharmacist Assistant. 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 # 38

How have you shown yourself to be a leader?

#### Answer:-

Think about a time where you've rallied a group of people around a cause / idea / initiative and successfully implemented it. It could be a small or large project but the key is you want to demonstrate how you were able to lead others to work for a common cause.

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#### Question # 39

How do you inspire others to be better?

#### Answer:-

First, the key to inspiring others it 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 # 40

What type of extracurricular activities are you a part of?



#### Answer:-

Discuss the clubs / activities you were in, share a personal story about why you enjoyed it and then describe how it's helped shape you to be who you are today. For example, I enjoyed rock climbing because it taught me the value of practicing hard at a sport to become skilled in it. I bring this same diligence to my work approach today as well.

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### Question # 41

Do you have good computer skills?

#### Answer:-

It is becoming increasingly important for medical assistants to be knowledgeable about computers. If you are a long-time computer user with experience with different software applications, mention it. It is also a good idea to mention any other computer skills you have, such as a high typing rate, website creation, and more.

#### Question # 42

How would you rate your communication and interpersonal skills for this job As Certified Pharmacist Assistant?

#### Answer:-

These are important for support workers. But they differ from the communication skills of a CEO or a desktop support technician. Communication must be adapted to the special ways and needs of the clients. Workers must be able to not only understand and help their clients, but must project empathy and be a warm, humane presence in their lives.

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#### Question # 43

Do you have any questions for me?

#### Answer:-

Good interview questions to ask interviewers at the end of the job interview include questions on the company growth or expansion, questions on personal development and training and questions on company values, staff retention and company achievements.

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#### Question # 44

Do you think you have enough experience As Certified Pharmacist Assistant?

#### Answer:-

If you do not have the experience they need, you need to show the employer that you have the skills, qualities and knowledge that will make you equal to people with experience but not necessary the skills. It is also good to add how quick you can pick up the routine of a new job role.

#### Question # 45

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 # 46

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 # 47

How do you evaluate your ability to handle conflict?

#### Answer:-

I pride myself on being a good problem solver. Through my previous job and management positions I have faced numerous conflicts in different situations, and my experiences have helped me to hone my issue resolution skills. I believe that it is important to get to and address the root of the issue, in a respectable manner. Read More Answers.

#### Question # 48

How would you observe the level of motivation of your subordinates?

#### Answer:-

Choosing the right metrics and comparing productivity of everyone on daily basis is a good answer, doesn't matter in which company you apply for a supervisory role.

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#### Question # 49



#### Have you got any questions?

#### Answer:-

This is your final opportunity to persuade the interviewer that you are the right candidate for the job. Now is not the time to ask questions about holidays, pay or pensions - all these things can be asked later when you get an offer of employment. Now is the time to ask about any reservations that the interviewer may have about your suitability for the role. You will then give yourself one last chance to persuade the interviewer that you are the right candidate for the job. Example Thank you. I think we have covered everything. Before we finish the interview I would like to take the opportunity to ask if you have any reservations about my suitability for this role?

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#### Question # 50

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 # 51

Do you think a leader should be feared or liked?

#### Answer:-

Liked. You want to work harder for people that inspire and motivate you. Fear only lasts for so long.

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#### Question # 52

How would you go about establishing your credibility quickly As Certified Pharmacist Assistant 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 # 53

What would you like to have accomplished by the end of your career?

#### Answer:-

Think of 3 major achievements that you'd like to accomplish in your job when all is said and done - and think BIG. You want to show you expect to be a major contributor at the company. It could be creating a revolutionary new product, it could be implementing a new effective way of marketing, etc. Read More Answers.

### Question # 54

What's the most rewarding work you've ever done and why?

#### Answer:-

Companies love it when you discuss how you've made an impact on your teammates, clients, or partners in the business or in school. It should be rewarding because of the hard work and creative process that you've put into it. Read More Answers.

#### Question # 55

What do you look for in terms of culture -- structured or entrepreneurial?

#### Answer:-

A good answer is to discuss the importance of having both elements in a company As Certified Pharmacist Assistant. Structure is good to maintain a focus on priorities and making sure people are productive but having an entrepreneurial spirit can help cultivate new ideas that can truly help the company. <u>Read More Answers.</u>

#### Question # 56

What kind of salary do you need As Certified Pharmacist Assistant?

#### 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 # 57

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 # 58

Are you aggressive?

#### Answer:-

If you are, describe it through a story / experience that you had. If you aren't, then explain why you're not. If the job role asks for you to be aggressive/not aggressive and you're the opposite of it, explain how you would develop that characteristic.

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#### Question # 59

How do you think I rate as an interviewer?

#### Answer:-

I think you did fine. I'm sure you've conducted a lot of interviews, and it's probably second nature for you now. Thanks for taking the time to meet with me today. I'm sure you have a lot of things you have to juggle every day.

I'd say you rate at least ten out of ten. The questions you asked seemed spot on. I can tell you guys are working hard to find the perfect applicant for the job. I'm glad I could meet with you.

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#### Question # 60

What problems have you encountered at work?

#### Answer:-

Wow, do we have problems! Where do I begin? Well, most of the problems are internal, just people not working well with each other. I have one person on our team who is a real problem, but it seems like management is afraid to do anything about it. So we all end up having to do extra work to cover for this person, who just doesn't work. We all say that he's retired in place. I think he's just holding on until retirement in a couple years. But he's a real problem. I complain about it.-a lot--but nothing ever seems to get done. I've even written negative reviews about the person, hoping he will get canned, but it doesn't happen. I can't wait for him to retire. Read More Answers.

#### Question # 61

Describe a typical work week for this position As Certified Pharmacist Assistant?

#### Answer:-

Interviewers expect a candidate for employment to discuss what they do while they are working in detail. Before you answer, consider the position As Certified Pharmacist Assistant you are applying for and how your current or past positions relate to it. The more you can connect your past experience with the job opening, the more successful you will be at answering the questions.

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