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# **Human Resource Analyst Job Interview Preparation Guide.**

## Question #1

How well do you know our company?

### Answer:-

Well, a developed company that is gradually building their reputation in the competitive world.

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### Question # 2

What do you consider ethical spending on an expense account?

### Anewer-

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 #3

What motivates you?

# Answer:

I've always been motivated by the challenge - in my last role, I was responsible for training our new recruits and having a 100% success rate in passing scores. I know that this job is very fast-paced and I'm more than up for the challenge. In fact, I thrive on it.

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# Question # 4

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 # 5

How much are you willing to sacrifice to be successful at work As Human Resource Analyst?

# 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?

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# Question # 6

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

# Answer:

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

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# Question #7

What did you like least about your last (or current) job As Human Resource Analyst?

# Answer:-

Don't vent or focus on the negative with brutally honest answers such as "My boss was a jerk," or "The company culture was too politically correct," or "They just weren't giving me the opportunity to take my career to the next level." Instead, keep the emphasis on the positive, even though there are sure to be things you weren't happy about.



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### Question #8

Tell me about a time when you had to make a decision without all the information you needed. How did you handle it As Human Resource Analyst? Why? Were you happy with the outcome?

### Answer:

In many scenarios, you will not have all the information needed. The key is to make the best possible decision based on what you deem to be a sufficient amount of information.

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### Question #9

Tell me about a decision you made recently and how you reached it As Human Resource Analyst?

### A .....

The key is to show that you put a lot of thought (weighing out the pros and cons) but were able to be decisive. Be sure to explain your logic in arriving at the decision.

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### Question # 10

What are the goals you've set for yourself?

### Anewor.

You could discuss your goals with regards to these categories: Career goals, impact you want to leave on society, financial goals, academic goals, charitable goals.

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### Question #11

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.

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### Question # 12

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 Human Resource Analyst. 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 # 13

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 Human Resource Analyst. 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 # 14

What have you learned from mistakes on the 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 # 15

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

# Answer:

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 # 16

Have you ever you have been in a position As Human Resource Analyst where you've had to fire someone? How did you feel about that experience?



### Answer:-

Be very thoughtful about your answer. This is a very serious matter for most companies and requires a very serious answer. You need to express that you will do it when it is the right thing to do but you don't want to give the impression that you're callus to the process. Don't forget that firing is not the same as laying someone off - it typically is for the direct benefit of the company.

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### Question #17

Top 12 Best Brainteaser Interview Questions:

### Answer:

Brainteaser questions As Human Resource Analyst have become popular for interviews in recent years, as word has gotten out that top tech companies such as Apple, Google, Microsoft and IBM have used this type of question at one time or another.

Companies like Google aren't using these questions so much any more, but many companies, are, and it may be good to prepare for them As Human Resource Analyst. The key to these isn't so much getting the exact answer, as it is showing how you would come up with an answer. Here's a sample of 12 of the best and most difficult.

- 1. How many street lights are there in New York City?
- 2. How many gas stations are there in the United States?
- 3. How many golf balls can fit in a school bus?
- 4. How much should you charge to wash all the windows in Seattle?
- 5. Why are manhole covers round?
- 6. How many times a day does a clock's hands overlap?
- 7. How would you test a calculator?
- 8. Describe the internet to someone who just woke up from a 30-year coma.
- 9. How much does the Starbucks in Times Square bring in, in annual revenue?
- 10. You are shrunk to the height of a nickel and thrown into a blender. Your mass is reduced so that your density is the same as usual. The blades start moving in 60 seconds. What do you do?
- 11. What is the air speed velocity of an unladen swallow?;)
- 12. How many golf balls are there in Florida?

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### Question # 18

Describe a time when you put your needs aside to help a co-worker understand a task. How did you assist them? What was the result?

### Answer:-

The key is to show that the mentoring of a co-worker was first a higher priority than the task you had at hand (remember, you want to show that you focus on highest priority tasks first). Then, describe in detail how you helped them not only complete the task but learn to do it on their own. You want to teach them HOW to fish and not to simply fish for them.

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# Question # 19

What kind of work interests you the least As Human Resource Analyst?

# Answer:-

What bores you? What fails to challenge you? What fails to excite you?

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# Question # 20

Why was there a gap in your employment As Human Resource Analyst?

# 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 # 21

What do you see yourself doing within the first 30 days of this job?

# Answer:-

Typically the first 30 days are designed for you to learn as much as possible As Human Resource Analyst. Work hard to get to know your teammates, how they work together, and how you can make the biggest impact.

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# Question # 22

Are You a 'People' Person?

# Answer:

Although it may be phrased a little differently, the gist of this question is clear:

Do you like being around people? If you don't, being a medical assistant isn't a good fit for you. After all, you'll be working directly with patients throughout the day. It helps a lot if you sincerely like interacting with them. While answering this question, make sure to mention that you like helping people too. This will drive home the point that you are a talented medical assistant and would be a valuable part of the team As Human Resource Analyst.

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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

What is the most important quality a supervisor should have?

### Answer:

The ability to inspire / lead a team towards one common vision.

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### Question # 25

Who are your role models? Why?

### Answer:-

If possible, cite role models you're truly passionate about - passion is contagious and will show you're being genuine. If the role model is in the same or similar industry as the company in an executive level position, even better.

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### Question # 26

Why do you want to work in this industry As Human Resource Analyst?

### 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 # 27

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 # 28

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 # 29

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 # 30

What negative thing would your last boss say about you?

# Answer:

"He/She wouldn't say anything bad, but he/she may point out I could improve in a certain area, and I've taken steps to become better at those skills"

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# Question #31

What do you think of your previous boss?

# Answer:-

Do not belittle or talk badly of your last boss - it will come off as being petty. Instead, talk about the positive lessons you were able to learn from your last boss.

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### Question # 32

What are three positive character traits you don't have?

### Anewor-

List three attributes that you aspire to attain / build in the next few years - and then explain how you would develop those.

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### Question #33

What are you most proud of?

### Answer-

You should be proud of all your achievements As Human Resource Analyst! We just don't have time to hear them all as interviewers most likely. Focus on 1 really good achievement that showcases characteristics like the following: Integrity, competitiveness, resourcefulness, intelligence, persistence, and so forth.

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### Question #34

How important is the vision of the company to you?

### Answer:-

It should be very important if you want a long standing career. Remember, you're investing your time, energy and earnings potential into a company so you want to make sure it's a sustainably successful company that will grow with you over the long haul.

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### Question #35

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 # 36

If someone had to say something negative to you, what would they say?

# Answer:-

Again, be honest about sharing a story here about someone who may not have gotten along with you in the office here and explain how you were able to fix that relationship or change your attitude/action to be a better person / coworker.

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# Question # 37

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 # 38

Explain me about a challenge or conflict you've faced at work As Human Resource Analyst, and how you dealt with it?

# Answer:-

In asking this interview question, your interviewer wants to get a sense of how you will respond to conflict. Anyone can seem nice and pleasant in a job interview, but what will happen if you're hired? Again, you'll want to use the S-T-A-R method, being sure to focus on how you handled the situation professionally and productively, and ideally closing with a happy ending, like how you came to a resolution or compromise.

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# Question # 39

If you could offer suggestions on how to improve our company, what would you say?

# Answer:-

Examine the trends of the company and also where there may be some weaknesses (news articles often document this on public companies or look at their competitors to see how they're positioning it against them.) Then, once you have that knowledge, think creatively on how you could improve upon that weakness for them.

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# Question # 40

Why were you fired?



### Answer:-

OK, if you get the admittedly much tougher follow-up question as to why you were let go (and the truth isn't exactly pretty), your best bet is to be honest (the job-seeking world is small, after all). But it doesn't have to be a deal-breaker. Share how you've grown and how you approach your job and life now as a result. If you can position the learning experience as an advantage for this next job, even better.

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### Question #41

What does "collaboration with teammates" mean to you?

### Answer:-

Drinking at the water cooler together is not the best example. Think of how you can collaborate with teammates to generate new ideas, to create initiatives to impact the business' success for the better (specifically in the department that you're applying for). For example, if you're applying to marketing, collaboration could mean discussing new ways of social media advertising to reach an audience of over a million people to strengthen the brand awareness of the company.

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### Question # 42

What skills do you bring to the table?

### Answer:-

Think of your skill sets with regards to: analytical skills, interpersonal skills, communication skills, computer skills, presentation skills, management skills, sales skills and so forth.

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### Question # 43

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 # 44

What aspect of supervision do you find the most difficult?

### Answer:

Managing different personalities and keeping them focused on the goal at hand.

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# Question # 45

Does your boss know you're here today?

# Answer:-

Usually, you probably haven't told your boss for obvious reasons. So it's ok to say that they do not. You don't want to upset the balance at your current job after all and nothing is guaranteed in an interview. The interviewer should understand this stance.

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# Question # 46

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 # 47

How do you decide what to delegate and to whom?

# Answer:-

Identify the strengths of your team members and their availability based on the priorities they have on their plate. From there, invest the tasks upon each member based on where you think you'll get the best return.

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# Question # 48

What is your desired salary As Human Resource Analyst?

# Answer:-

Bad Answer: Candidates who are unable to answer the question, or give an answer that is far above market. Shows that they have not done research on the market rate, or have unreasonable expectations.

Good answer: A number or range that falls within the market rate and matches their level of mastery of skills required to do the job.

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### Question # 49

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

### Anewor.

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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# Question # 50

How do you act when you encounter competition?

### Answer:-

This question is designed to see if you can rise the occasion. You want to discuss how you are the type to battle competition strongly and then you need to cite an example if possible of your past work experience where you were able to do so.

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### Question #51

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 # 52

How much time do you need to join the organization As Human Resource Analyst?

### 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 # 53

There's no right or wrong answer, but if you could be anywhere in the world right now, where would you be?

# Answer:

Just be honest about where you'd like to be - you never know - you may end up bonding with the interviewer with the location. However, you want to stress that you want to work out of the location that you're interviewing for.

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# Question # 54

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 # 55

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 # 56

Describe to me the position As Human Resource Analyst you're applying for?

# Answer:

This is a "homework" question, too, but it also gives some clues as to the perspective the person brings to the table. The best preparation you can do is to read the job description and repeat it to yourself in your own words so that you can do this smoothly at the interview.

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# Question # 57

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 # 58

Explain an idea that you have had and have then implemented in practice?

### Answer:

Often an interview guide will outline the so-called 'STAR' approach for answering such questions; Structure the answer as a situation, task, action, and result: what the context was, what you needed to achieve, what you did, and what the outcome was as a result of your actions.

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# Question # 59

What kind of salary do you need As Human Resource Analyst?

### 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 # 60

When was the last time something upset you at work? What did you do?

### Answer:-

Almost everyone has an emotional moment related to work at some point - you're not alone. The key is to learn why you reacted that way and to focus not on the problem but HOW to resolve it. Another key component is to be aware of your emotional response so that you can learn to control it in the future in a calm way.

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### Question #61

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

### Answer-

Describe work you've done that you feel doesn't take advantage of your full potential. For example, "I once had to make paper copies for my job and I feel it didn't take full advantage of my skills. However, it did teach me to be humble in my work and to appreciate a good opportunity when it arose to use my skills"

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# Question # 62

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 # 63

How would you rate your communication and interpersonal skills for this job As Human Resource Analyst?

# 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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