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Linux System Admin Job Interview Preparation Guide.

Question #1

How did you handle meeting a tight deadline As Linux System Admin?

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Review every deadline you need to meet. Prioritize your projects by deadline and factor in how important each project is. Record your deadlines on a digital calendar or spreadsheet.

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Question # 2

Are you currently looking at other job opportunities?

Answer-

Just answer this question honestly. Sometime an employer wants to know if there are other companies you're considering so that they can determine how serious you are about the industry, they're company and find out if you're in demand. Don't spend a lot of time on this question; just try to stay focused on the job you're interviewing for.

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Question #3

What are your greatest professional strengths As Linux System Admin?

Answer:

When answering this question, we recommends being accurate (share your true strengths, not those you think the interviewer wants to hear); relevant (choose your strengths that are most targeted to this particular position As Linux System Admin); and specific (for example, instead of "people skills," choose "persuasive communication" or "relationship building"). Then, follow up with an example of how you've demonstrated these traits in a professional setting.

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Question # 4

Why do you want this job As Linux System Admin?

Answer:-

This question typically follows on from the previous one. Here is where your research will come in handy. You may want to say that you want to work for a company that is Global Guideline, (market leader, innovator, provides a vital service, whatever it may be). Put some thought into this beforehand, be specific, and link the company's values and mission statement to your own goals and career plans.

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Question # 5

How do you rate yourself in computer skills? Please describe the programs and software that you can use well?

Answer:-

Ideally you want to able to type quickly, have the ability to effectively use Microsoft Office, and more importantly be able to quickly adapt to computer / technology skills. More and more it's become an integral part of work. If the job doesn't require technology skills - then this question shouldn't be asked!

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Question # 6

What attracted you to this company As Linux System Admin?

Answer:

You could discuss the company's vision, culture and solutions/services as reasons for wanting to join it.

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Question #7

How would your references describe you?



Answer:-

Think of three major characteristics that demonstrate your best qualities related to work and then have quick stories to describe why.

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Question #8

Did you consider yourself a team player?

Answer-

Of course you're a team player - who isn't. But a simple yes probably isn't the response the interviewer is looking for. Be ready to provide specific example of how you've worked as part of a cohesive team to get things accomplished and how you've focus on team performance rather than individual performance. Make sure not to brag as this will make it appear as that you're more concerned about your own performance and accomplishments than those of the team.

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Question # 9

What are your weaknesses for Linux System Admin position?

Answer.

Try not to be too critical when answering this question. Instead, pick one of your weaknesses and try to turn it into a positive.

For example, you could be a perfectionist, which means that you sometimes take longer on tasks, but you make sure that they are completed to a high quality. It is important to make a negative into a positive as it doesn't make you appear overly critical and shows you can reflect on your own performance.

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Question # 10

Do you consider yourself successful?

Answer:-

You should always answer yes to this question. Briefly explain why without going on and on. If you communicate that you're more successful than you really are you may come off as arrogant or unrealistic. A goof explanation is that you have set professional goals and that you have met some of these goals and are on track to meet more in the near future.

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Question # 11

Top 12 Stress Based Interview Questions As Linux System Admin:

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 As Linux System Admin?
- 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 As Linux System Admin?
- 12. How successful do you think you've been so far?

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Question # 12

How do you adapt to new working environments As Linux System Admin?

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 # 13

Tell me about a problem that you've solved in a unique or unusual way. What was the outcome? Were you happy or satisfied with it?

Answer:

In this question the interviewer is basically looking for a real life example of how you used creativity to solve a problem.

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Question # 14

What have you done to improve yourself in the last year As Linux System Admin?

Answer:

Discuss how you've improved yourself through work experiences, books you've read, classes, club(s) / extracurricular activities and describe the process on how it's happened. For example: I've improved my presentation skills tremendously because I've had to do 2 presentations this year for my communications class.



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Question #15

What's your dream job?

Answer:-

Along similar lines, the interviewer wants to uncover whether this position As Linux System Admin is really in line with your ultimate career goals. While "an GGL star" might get you a few laughs, a better bet is to talk about your goals and ambitions-and why this job will get you closer to them.

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Question # 16

What do you think about Teamwork?

Answer:-

I enjoy teamwork and am used to shift work. I think I would adapt well to the role. I am looking for new challenges As Linux System Admin and I know I would learn a lot as cabin crew, not just about people and places, but skills like first aid too, how can I help others with in my limits.

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Question # 17

Tell me about the most fun you have had on the job?

Answer:

When answering this question, discuss situations where you completed tasks benefitting your previous employers.

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Question # 18

You have a project due in one hour but a more important emergency that affects business needs to be fixed immediately, what do you do?

Answer:-

Focus on the issue that impacts the business most first.

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Question #19

What are you looking for in a new position As Linux System Admin?

Answer:-

I've been honing my skills As Linux System Admin for a few years now and, first and foremost, I'm looking for a position where I can continue to exercise those skills. Ideally the same things that this position has to offer. Be specific.

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Question # 20

If you felt like you were hitting the proverbial "wall" and getting burned out, what would you do to re-energize yourself?

Answer:

Take a break to rest. Work in smaller increments of time to increase focus with breaks in between. Delegate tasks to those that are willing to help.

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Question # 21

If you were given more initiatives than you could handle, what would you do?

Answer:-

First prioritize the important activities that impact the business most. Then discuss the issue of having too many initiatives with the boss so that it can be offloaded. Work harder to get the initiatives done.

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Question # 22

If you could do it all over again, how would you plan your academic studies differently?

Answer:-

Whatever you do, just don't act bitter. A lot of times we wish we could change the past, but focus on the positive reasons and results of the decisions you already made.

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Question # 23

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.



Question # 24

Describe to me a time where you had to make a hard decision As Linux System Admin?

Answer-

Hard decisions are hard for a reason. It could dramatically effect the company. It could affect other workers. So if you have a story about how you made a hard decision and had a good outcome, share that. If you have one where the outcome wasn't great, explain how you would have changed the way you approached the decision to show you learned how to improve.

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Question # 25

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 # 26

How would you impact the company?

Answer:-

Consider first the role that you're applying for and then think of 3 ways where you could potentially impact the company's bottom line and top line. Then consider how you impact the company in a creative manner (how do you help productivity, the development of new products, marketing etc - of course this part is specific to the role you're applying for)

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Question # 27

How do you feel about this company's vision?

Answer:-

First find out where the company envisions itself in 3-5 years. If you can't find the vision of the company, that's probably a big question mark on the company itself. Once you do, identify how those company's visions align to your personal values and goals and then articulate how tightly correlated that is to the interviewer. For example - this company wants to be the #1 provider of green technology in the world and I feel strongly about that vision because we've got a chance to collectively impact the world to become a greener society and save our clients at the same time!

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Question # 28

Explain me about a challenge or conflict you've faced at work As Linux System Admin, 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 # 29

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 #30

What is your biggest regret to date and why?

Answer:-

Describe honestly the regretful action / situation you were in but then discuss how you proactively fixed / improved it and how that helped you to improve as a person/worker.

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Question #31

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 # 32



Describe your vision of your perfect dream job?

Answer:-

Ideally, the role you're applying for either is that dream job or will help you get to it. If it's going to help you get there, describe the elements of that job role that you are passionate about so that it ties to the vision of what your dream job is. Be honest and talk about the type of work environment, management team / leadership, coworkers, culture, vision and products/services you'd like your dream job to entail.

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Question #33

How do you prioritize your work initiatives As Linux System Admin?

Answer-

Discuss how you prioritize your work initiatives based on the company initiatives. For example, if you're in customer service discuss how you're focused on providing the best customer experience.

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Question #34

How many tennis balls can you fit into a limousine? 1,000? 10,000? 100,000? Seriously?

Answer:-

Well, seriously, you might get asked brainteaser questions like these, especially in quantitative jobs. But remember that the interviewer doesn't necessarily want an exact number-he wants to make sure that you understand what's being asked of you, and that you can set into motion a systematic and logical way to respond. So, just take a deep breath, and start thinking through the math. (Yes, it's OK to ask for a pen and paper!)

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Question #35

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 #36

Where do you see yourself in five years As Linux System Admin?

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 #37

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

Answer:

I would define team work as getting the job done As Linux System Admin 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 #38

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 #39

What have you done to reduce costs, increase revenue, or save time?

Answer:-

Even if your only experience is an internship, you have likely created or streamlined a process that has contributed to the earning potential or efficiency of the practice. Choose at least one suitable example and explain how you got the idea, how you implemented the plan, and the benefits to the practice.



Question # 40

Did the salary we offer attract you to this job?

Answer-

The interviewer could be asking you this question for a number of reasons. Obviously, the salary is an important factor to your interest in this job, but it should not be the overriding reason for your interest. A good answer to this question is, "The salary was very attractive, but the job itself is what was most attractive to me."

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Question # 41

What other companies are you interviewing with?

Answer:-

Companies ask this for a number of reasons, from wanting to see what the competition is for you to sniffing out whether you're serious about the industry. "Often the best approach is to mention that you are exploring a number of other similar options in the company's industry,". It can be helpful to mention that a common characteristic of all the jobs you are applying to is the opportunity to apply some critical abilities and skills that you possess. For example, you might say 'I am applying for several positions with IT consulting firms where I can analyze client needs and translate them to development teams in order to find solutions to technology problems.'

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Question # 42

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 # 43

How will you approach learning this "new" job As Linux System Admin?

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 # 44

How do you handle repetitive tasks?

Answer:

Some people enjoy it, others don't. Which are you? If you don't like it, can you at least do it well? And if you don't like it, be ready to explain why in a positive way (i.e. your potential is to do much more than simply be repetitive)

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Question # 45

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 # 46

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 # 47

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 # 48



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 # 49

How much do you expect to get paid As Linux System Admin?

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 #50

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 # 51

Tell me something about your family background?

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First, always feel proud while discussing about your family background. Just simple share the details with the things that how they influenced you to work in an airline field.

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Question # 52

Why should the we hire you as this position As Linux System Admin?

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 #53

Explain an occasion when you had to adapt in the face of a difficult situation?

Answer:-

One of the most useful interview tactics is to remain positive about your work and achievements. This question lets the candidate draw on their own personal history to show how they have been positive and successful in the face of difficulties. Choose a specific occasion to describe, rather than dealing with generic platitudes.

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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

Do you think you have enough experience As Linux System Admin?

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.

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Question # 56

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.



Question # 57

Describe a typical work week for this position As Linux System Admin?

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 Linux System Admin 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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Question # 58

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 #59

Tell me about the last time you had to work with someone inside or outside of your department to accomplish a goal?

Answer-

Show that you were communicative with that person and that you were able to collaborate effectively in sharing ideas and work tasks. They want to see that you can be a team player.

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Question # 60

What techniques and tools do you use to keep yourself organized As Linux System Admin?

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 # 61

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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Question # 62

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 #63

What type of work environment do you prefer?

Answer:

Ideally one that's similar to the environment of the company you're applying to. Be specific.

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Question # 64

What are three positive things your last boss would say about you?

Answer:

It's time to pull out your old performance appraisals and boss's quotes. This is a great way to brag about yourself through someone else's words:

"My boss has told me that I am the best designer he has ever had. He knows he can rely on me, and he likes my sense of humor."

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Question # 65

How would you rate your communication and interpersonal skills for this job As Linux System Admin?

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 # 66

What would your first 30, 60, or 90 days look like in this role As Linux System Admin?

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 # 67

What is your greatest weakness As Linux System Admin? What are you doing to improve it?

Answer.

I believe my biggest weakness As Linux System Admin is wanting to help anyone I can help. What I mean is I am willing to take on task that are not my job. I want to learn all I can. However, that has helped me get promoted or even asked to help in times of need in other department. I have been know as the "go to person" when help is needed.

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Question # 68

Why do you want to work As Linux System Admin 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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