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Mainframe Systems Job Interview Preparation Guide.

Question #1

How do you prioritize your work?

Answer:-

Depends on the situation... I like to label certain tasks as either A B or C...A being the one that requires immediate attention, and C which are tasks that aren't urgent but eventually need to get done... I like to focus my work In Mainframe Systems on the things that need to get done, and done quickly... While balancing the other work alongside our first priorities.

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Question # 2

How do you stay organized?

Answer-

By maintaining proper routine every day. Putting my strongest points with my weakness. High priority always comes first In Mainframe Systems.

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Question #3

Tell me about a time when you had to think strategically?

Answer:

There was a time when I was told I had to get rid of 20% of my people. I had to determine which persons I needed the most by determining who could do what. I had to put aside personal feelings so that I could keep a working crew to handle he same workload with less people.

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Question # 4

Tell me about a time you failed?

Answer:-

Everyone has failed, so don't play dumb or claim you've never messed up In Mainframe Systems. Think of a time when a work-related situation didn't turn out quite as you had hoped. An interviewer is interested in seeing how you took responsibility for your failure, what you learned from it, and how you would prevent similar failures from happening again.

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Question # 5

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 Mainframe Systems, I just wanted to make change for proper growth.

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Question # 6

What have you learned from mistakes on this job?

Answer:-

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

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Question #7

What is your biggest weakness In Mainframe Systems?



Answer:-

No one likes to answer this question because it requires a very delicate balance. You simply can't lie and say you don't have one; you can't trick the interviewer by offering up a personal weakness In Mainframe Systems that is really a strength ("Sometimes, I work too much and don't maintain a work-life balance."); and you shouldn't be so honest that you throw yourself under the bus ("I'm not a morning person so I'm working on getting to the office on time.")

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Question #8

What is your greatest professional achievement?

Answer:

Nothing says "hire me" better than a track record of achieving amazing results in past jobs In Mainframe Systems, so don't be shy when answering this interview question! A great way to do so is by using the S-T-A-R method: Set up the situation and the task that you were required to complete to provide the interviewer with background context (e.g., "In my last job as a Mainframe Systems, it was my role to manage the invoicing process"), but spend the bulk of your time describing what you actually did (the action) and what you achieved (the result). For example, "In one month, I streamlined the process, which saved my group 10 man-hours each month and reduced errors on invoices by 25%."

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Question #9

Why was there a gap in your employment In Mainframe Systems?

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 # 10

Do you ever take work home with you?

Answer:-

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

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

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Question # 11

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 In Mainframe Systems.

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Question # 12

Did you get on well with your last manager?

Answer:-

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

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Question # 13

How do you imagine a typical day of an employee in our company In Mainframe Systems?

Answer:-

Just do not say that you imagine to only walk and watch what people do. Rather try to show them your attention to details and proactive attitude to job. Mention that you would try to observe the problems, weaknesses as well as opportunities to improve the results and take measures according to it.

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Question # 14

How well do you know this industry?

Answer:

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

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Question # 15

What are your personal skills which make you a candidate for the position In Mainframe Systems?

Answer-

The list of crucial character traits includes patience, tact, and poise, with personal and cultural sensitivity. One needs the ability to work long hours, with much walking and some physical tasks. But the most important trait of all is to love people and to have the desire to care for them.

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Question # 16

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 # 17

Why should I hire you In Mainframe Systems?

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 # 18

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 #19

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

Answer:

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

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Question # 20

Explain me about your experience working in this field In Mainframe Systems?

Answer:

I am dedicated, hardworking and great team player for the common goal of the company I work with. I am fast learner and quickly adopt to fast pace and dynamic area. I am well organized, detail oriented and punctual person.

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Question # 21

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 # 22

How would you rate your communication and interpersonal skills for this job In Mainframe Systems?

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 # 23

What are your salary expectations In Mainframe Systems?

Answer:

This question is like a loaded gun, tricky and dangerous if you're not sure what you are doing. It's not uncommon for people to end up talking salary before really selling their skills, but knowledge is power as this is a negotiation after all. Again, this is an area where doing your research will be helpful as you will have an



understanding of average salary.

One approach is asking the interviewer about the salary range, but to avoid the question entirely, you can respond that money isn't a key factor and you're goal is to advance in your career. However, if you have a minimum figure in mind and you believe you're able to get it, you may find it worth trying.

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Question # 24

What do you think is your greatest weakness?

Answer-

Don't say anything that could eliminate you from consideration for the job. For instance, "I'm slow in adapting to change" is not a wise answer, since change is par for the course in most work environments. Avoid calling attention to any weakness that's one of the critical qualities the hiring manager is looking for. And don't try the old "I'm a workaholic," or "I'm a perfectionist.

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Question # 25

What is your greatest weakness In Mainframe Systems? What are you doing to improve it?

Answer:-

I believe my biggest weakness In Mainframe Systems 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 # 26

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 # 27

Are you planning to continue your studies and training In Mainframe Systems?

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 # 28

Give an example of a time you successfully worked In Mainframe Systems 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 # 29

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 #30

What features of your previous jobs have you disliked?

Answer:-

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

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Question #31

Why did you leave your last job In Mainframe Systems?

Answer:-



Regardless of why you left your last job make sure to stay positive. Always smile and focus on the positive reason such you were seeking the opportunity to expand your career opportunities, your interest in working with a new firm that provided greater opportunity, you desired to work in a new location, etc. Don't reference previous job problems or differences with management that caused you to leave. If you stay positive, your answer may help you. If you're negative, you will likely decrease your chances of getting the job for which you're interviewing.

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Question #32

What is the most irritating thing you've experienced about your co-workers?

Answer-

This question is designed to find out if you get along well on team, with other and whether or not you'll be a fit with the interviewer's organization. It's a trap. Think real hard but fail to come up anything that irritated you about your co-workers. A short positive response is best.

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Question #33

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 # 34

Tell me about a time when you helped resolve a dispute between others?

Answer-

Be sure to discuss a very specific example. Tell the interviewer what methods you used to solve the problem without focusing on the details of the problem.

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Question #35

What qualities do you look for in a boss?

Answer:-

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

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Question # 36

Tell me why do you want this job In Mainframe Systems?

Answer:-

Bad Answer: No solid answer, answers that don't align with what the job actually offers, or uninspired answers that show your position is just another of the many jobs they're applying for.

Good answer: The candidate has clear reasons for wanting the job that show enthusiasm for the work and the position, and knowledge about the company and job.

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Question #37

How much are you willing to sacrifice to be successful at work In Mainframe Systems?

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 # 38

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.

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Question # 39

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 # 40

What motivates you to work In Mainframe Systems?



Answer:-

Describe what makes you passionate about the work. It could be the company's vision, the product, your desire to succeed, the clients, your peers and so on. They key is to first understand what internally motivates you to do your job and then to emphasize that in a positive way

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Question # 41

What do you know about this company?

Answer:-

Research the company on Google by searching recent news (to remain current on them) and their website. Make sure you understand their products / services, vision, competitive differentiators, and work culture.

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Question # 42

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 # 43

What differentiates you from the competition?

Answer:

Think about what you bring to the table that you truly believe is unique - the easiest way to do is to think of your own personal stories that demonstrate your work ethic, skills, and dedication. Most people have some or all of those skills, but the unique stories are what make people stand out in interviews.

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Question # 44

How do you stay up to date with industry?

Answer:-

Discuss how you stay up to date by reading industry specific sites, magazines, and Google / yahoo news. Also make sure you stay up to date by reading the current news on the company's website.

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Question # 45

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 # 46

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.

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Question # 47

Describe your academic achievements?

Answer:-

Think of a time where you really stood out and shined within college. It could be a leadership role in a project, it could be your great grades that demonstrate your intelligence and discipline, it could be the fact that you double majored. Where have you shined?

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Question # 48

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 # 49



What do you know about our competition?

Answer:-

Make sure you do your research on their competitors. You can find this by going to yahoo finance and click on their competitors (if they are public). From there research the news on them and go to their websites to understand their positioning on solutions and vision. You can also research local regional companies that are their competition (if it's a smaller private company on a regional scale) by simply typing in similar product offerings in the Google search followed by the city. Make sure you know their competitor's vision, products, culture, and how they are differentiated against their competition (and if they're not, how they could be)

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Question #50

How important is a positive attitude to you?

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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 #51

Give me an example of when you competed hard and won?

Answer:-

You can reference many different areas here when discussing a story of where you won in competition: Work experience (ideal), sports, clubs, classes, projects.

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Question # 52

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 #53

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 # 54

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 # 55

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 # 56

Describe a time when you've been overwhelmed with work?

Answer:

Show how you were able to over the "overwhelmed" feeling - by delegating tasks, getting people on your team to help you out, or by prioritizing your work and focusing on the most important issues first In Mainframe Systems.

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Question # 57

Give me an example of how you handled pressure at work In Mainframe Systems?

Answer-

The company is looking to see if you can handle pressure well. Share with them an example where you were able to stay calm during a pressure filled situation (perhaps it was a deadline, or there was an emergency with a customer occurring). Discuss the situation, your reaction and steps you took to resolve it and the outcome.

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Question # 58

What attracted you to this company In Mainframe Systems?

Answer-

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

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Question #59

What do you ultimately want to become?

Answer-

Do you want to be an entry level worker In Mainframe Systems? 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 # 60

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 # 61

Tell me the difference between good and exceptional?

Answer:-

Good gets the job done on time and is high quality. Exceptional is a game changer - it stands out, it's creative, it's above and beyond expectations. Tell the interviewer a story about how you were exceptional.

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Question # 62

What's the last book you read?

Answer:-

Try to talk about a book related to the industry, for example, if you're applying for a role related to business, cite a business book.

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Question # 63

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 # 64

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 #65

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 #66

What makes you a good manager?

Answer-

Describe how you manage people, time, money and energy in the most effective manner to achieve the best return of that investment.

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Question # 67

Describe some problems you encountered in your most recent position In Mainframe Systems and how you resolved them?

Answer:



Discuss your work experiences. The key is to show you're calm under pressure and can handle sensitive situations with a clear train of thought.

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Question # 68

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

Answer:

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

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Question # 69

How do you define arrogance? Are you arrogant?

Answer:-

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

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Question #70

Rate yourself on a scale of 10?

Answer:-

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

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