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# Retail Manager Management Job Interview Preparation Guide.

# Question #1

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

### Anewor-

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

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# Question # 2

What would you do if you won the lottery?

### Answer:-

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

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# Question # 3

What relevant work experience do you have in this career field In Retail Manager Management?

# Answer:-

Talk about specific work related experience for the position you're interviewing for. Make sure the experience is relevant. Don't talk about previous experience that is not related to the position in question. If you don't have specific career related experience speak about prior experience that has helped you develop the specific knowledge and skills required for the position you are applying for.

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# Question # 4

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 # 5

What have you done to improve your knowledge In Retail Manager Management in the last year?

# Answer-

Try to include improvement activities that relate to the job In Retail Manager Management. A wide variety of activities can be mentioned as positive self-improvement. Have some good ones handy to mention.

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# Question # 6

How do you adapt to new working environments In Retail Manager Management?

# 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 #7

Your coworker highlights your mistakes in front of everyone, how do you handle the situation?



# Answer:-

Admit to the mistake without being emotional, but then discuss how you are being proactive in getting it fixed. Lastly, pull the co-worker aside later on to tell them that you'd appreciate it if they gave you the feedback 1:1 first before throwing you under the bus.

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# Question #8

Do you have any blind spots?

### Answer:-

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

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# Question #9

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 # 10

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.

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### Question # 11

How do you evaluate success In Retail Manager Management?

### Answer:-

I evaluate success In Retail Manager Management in different ways. At work, it is meeting the goals set by my supervisors and my fellow workers. It is my understanding, from talking to other employees, that the Global Guideline company is recognized for not only rewarding success but giving employees opportunity to grow as well.

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# Question # 12

Give me a specific example of a time when you had to conform to a policy with which you did not agree?

# Answer:-

You want to first understand why the policy was put into effect. From there, if you truly disagree with it, explain your position to your management. If they don't change it, then you must accept their decision and continue to work or the alternative decision would be to find a new job.

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# Question # 13

Name five characteristics that describe you?

# Answer:-

Here are a few you could choose from:

Hard working, strong willed, persistent, intelligent, adept, amicable, friendly, collaborative, eager, humble.

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# Question # 14

What is your greatest professional achievement?

# Answer:-

Nothing says "hire me" better than a track record of achieving amazing results in past jobs In Retail Manager Management, 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 Retail Manager Management, 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 # 15

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 # 16

Who are your heroes?

# Answer:-

Have at least one person you consider a hero or role model. Be ready to explain why they are a hero to you and how they've inspired you to be a better person.

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# Question # 17

Tell me about a difficult decision you've made in the last year In Retail Manager Management?

### Answer-

We all have difficult decisions in our lives. Show how you were able to arrive at it and then how you decisively acted.

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# Question # 18

If you were hiring a person for this job In Retail Manager Management, what would you look for?

# Answer:-

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

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### Question # 19

What are your weaknesses for Retail Manager Management 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 # 20

What have you done to improve your skills over the past year In Retail Manager Management?

### Answer:-

You'll want to be prepare with some very specific examples of what you've done over the last year and what you're currently doing to improve your professional knowledge and skill set as well as anything else you're doing the shows self improvement.

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# Question # 21

How have you made an impact on your team in the past?

# Answer:

I would explain and show to him or her best way possible and if they have a better way then I will encourage him or her to let me know then we can see if it works or not In Retail Manager Management.

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# Question # 22

What five words would be describe you as Retail Manager Management?

# Answer-

The hiring manager requests this of you because she wants to know more about your individual personality. This list can reveal a lot to her about who you are and how you might fit into the workplace. Your answer also gives the manager an indication of your self-perception, which is a good indicator of the type of employee you will be.

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# Question # 23

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 In Retail Manager Management. 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 # 24

What does your professional network look like?

# Answer:

If you have a professional network, discuss it detail (# of contacts, people you know, their positions and what you've learned from them or how you've worked with them). If you don't have one, discuss how you would develop one (career fairs, networking events for that industry, through your existing friends, etc)



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# Question # 25

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 Retail Manager Management

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# Question # 26

In what areas do you think you will need guidance?

### Answer.

Think about what you need to learn going into the job. Skill sets, industry knowledge, relationship building, team dynamics. Which areas are ones you're lacking?

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### Question # 27

Where do you see yourself in five years In Retail Manager Management?

# 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 # 28

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 # 29

If selected for this position In Retail Manager Management, can you describe your strategy for the first 90 days?

# Answer:

This depends on the job role. Make sure you break it down into

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# Question # 30

What are ideas or initiatives you've led and what was the outcome?

# Answer:-

Describe your most unique ideas and initiatives that had the best results for the company. Make sure you highlight your creativity, your results, your diligence and your ability to execute.

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# Question # 31

Who was your favorite manager and why?

# Answer:-

Describe the attributes you liked about your favorite manager, typically attributes discussed are: Great at coaching, inspiring, motivating, empowering, trusting, delegating, leading, etc.

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# Question # 32

What is it about this position In Retail Manager Management that attracts you the most?

# Answer:

Use your knowledge of the job description to demonstrate how you are a suitable match for the role.

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# Question # 33

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 #34

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 #35

Tell me about the last time you missed a goal or deadline?

### Answer.

Unless you're a completely perfect person, chances are you've messed up before on a goal/deadline. If so, discuss how you fell short and what you would have done in retrospect to achieve it.

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# Question #36

How do you deal with pressure or stressful situations?

# Answer:-

Choose an answer that shows that you can meet a stressful situation head-on in a productive, positive manner and let nothing stop you from accomplishing your goals. A great approach is to talk through your go-to stress-reduction tactics (making the world's greatest to-do list, stopping to take 10 deep breaths), and then share an example of a stressful situation you navigated with ease.

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# Question #37

Do you like being around people?

### Answer-

People skills are a necessity for medical assistants. When answering this question, be sure to show that you enjoy interacting and working with others and that you also derive great enjoyment from helping others. This will show that you are a team player and that you would be a valuable team member In Retail Manager Management.

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# Question # 38

How open are you to relocation?

# Answer:-

If you're not, then say you're not. Don't lie about it just to get the job. There's no point if you won't move for the job anyway and lying is unethical. If you are open to relocation In Retail Manager Management, let them know which areas you'd be willing to relocate to.

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# Question # 39

What are the qualities of a good leader In Retail Manager Management? A bad leader?

# Answer:-

A good leader provides constructive criticism, motivates and inspires, coaches the mentee to be successful with their set of skills, and encourages them to push themselves. A bad leader only cares about his/her own interests and does not look out for the success of his/her staff.

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# Question # 40

What are your personal skills which make you a candidate for the position In Retail Manager Management?

# 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 # 41

What do you already know about our company?

# Answer:

Good reputation of a large home grown company that has various departments and product.

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# Question # 42



Do you work better on a team, with just one partner, or alone?

### Answer:

Ideally you can handle all three well, but you may have a personal preference for one or a few. The key is to make sure you understand what the job is looking for and to pair your answer with that (assuming it's true)

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# Question # 43

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 # 44

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 # 45

How do you deal with conflict in the workplace In Retail Manager Management?

### Answer:

When people work together, conflict is often unavoidable because of differences in work goals and personal styles. Follow these guidelines for handling conflict in the workplace.

- \* 1. Talk with the other person.
- \* 2. Focus on behavior and events, not on personalities.
- \* 3. Listen carefully.
- \* 4. Identify points of agreement and disagreement.
- \* 5. Prioritize the areas of conflict.
- \* 6. Develop a plan to work on each conflict.
- \* 7. Follow through on your plan.
- \* 8. Build on your success.

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# Question # 46

What differentiates this company from other competitors?

# Answer:

Be positive and nice about their competitors but also discuss how they are better than them and why they are the best choice for the customer. For example: "Company XYZ has a good product, but I truly believe your company has a 3-5 year vision for your customer that aligns to their business needs."

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# Question # 47

How would you rate your communication and interpersonal skills for this job In Retail Manager Management?

# 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 # 48

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 # 49

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 # 50

Do you have any question regarding this job In Retail Manager Management?

### Answer.

Never ask Salary, perks, leave, place of posting, etc. regarded questions. Try to ask more about the company to show how early you can make a contribution to your organization like. "Sir, with your kind permission I would like to know more about induction and developmental programs?" OR Sir, I would like to have my feedback, so that I can analyze and improve my strengths and rectify my shortcomings.

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# Question #51

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.

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# Question # 52

What is your greatest weakness In Retail Manager Management? What are you doing to improve it?

### Answer:-

I believe my biggest weakness In Retail Manager Management 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 #53

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.

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# Question # 54

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 # 55

What techniques and tools do you use to keep yourself organized In Retail Manager Management?

# 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 # 56

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 # 57

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 # 58

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 # 59

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 # 60

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 #61

Describe a typical work week for this position In Retail Manager Management?

### Answer:-

Interviewers expect a candidate for employment to discuss what they do while they are working in detail. Before you answer, consider the position In Retail Manager Management 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 # 62

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 #63

What's your salary history?

# Answer:-

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

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# Question # 64

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 #65

How much do you expect to get paid In Retail Manager Management?

# 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 # 66

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 #67

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 # 68

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 # 69

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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