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# Stock Plan Administrator Job Interview Preparation Guide.

### Question #1

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 # 2

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 # 3

Where do you see your career in five years As Stock Plan Administrator?

## Answer:

I would like to retire from this company. I would like to make a difference in the company whether in the company or any other position or area of the company As Stock Plan Administrator.

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## Question #4

How did you become interested in this field/industry?

## Answer-

Describe how you've come to develop a passion or interest in this industry and use variables like "culture, people, vision, career development, and the work itself" to define your choice

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## Question # 5

Why do you want this job As Stock Plan Administrator?

## 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 # 6

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 #7

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



#### Answer:-

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

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#### Question #8

Why did you leave your last job As Stock Plan Administrator?

#### 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 #9

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

#### Answer-

Here being specific is probably not the best approach. You may consider responding, "I hope a very long time." Or "As long as we're both happy with my performance."

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#### Question # 10

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 #11

Tell me about a time when you successfully handled a situation?

#### Answer:

For this question, the interviewer wants to know what you do in a situation that doesn't have a clear answer. This will help the interviewer know how you respond to unforeseen challenges.

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## Question # 12

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

## Answer:-

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

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## Question # 13

What have you done to improve yourself in the last year As Stock Plan Administrator?

## 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 # 14

Top 11 Interview Questions to Ask when Emotional Intelligence Matters As Stock Plan Administrator:

## Answer:-

Emotional intelligence, or EQ, has come into vogue as a good trait to hire for.

EQ is the ability to use emotional information to guide thinking and behavior, to recognize other people's emotions and your own, and to discriminate between different feelings and label them appropriately.

EQ is considered essential to help teams function well. Here are some of the top questions for help you get an idea of how candidates perceive their emotions and those of others.

- 1. If you started a company today, what would its top values be?
- 2. Who inspires you? Why?
- 3. How could you create more balance in your life?
- 4. What makes you angry?
- 5. How do you have fun?
- 6. How good are you at asking for help?
- 7. How did you deal with a bad day?
- 8. What's something you're really proud of? Why?



- 9. Tell me about a time when your mood altered your performance (positively or negatively).
- 10. Has there ever been a time when you felt you needed to change your behavior at work? How did you do it?
- 11. Did you create friendships that lasted while working at a previous job?

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#### Question #15

Where do you see yourself in five years? Ten years?

#### Answer-

Bad Answer: A generic or uninspired answer. Also, answers that show that this career/company is just a temporary stop for them.

Good answer: One that shows the candidate has thought about this question, has plans, and that those plans align with the job and a career path that is possible in the company. You want to see that this candidate is a good long term investment.

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#### Question # 16

What are your weaknesses for Stock Plan Administrator 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 # 17

How do you evaluate success As Stock Plan Administrator?

#### Answer:-

I evaluate success As Stock Plan Administrator 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 # 18

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

#### Answer:

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

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## Question # 19

Who has been an inspiration for you?

## Answer:

Cite your role models (possible examples could be your parents, people successful in the industry, world leaders, etc)

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## Question # 20

What is your greatest strength As Stock Plan Administrator?

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This is your time to shine. Just remember the interviewer is looking for work related strengths As Stock Plan Administrator. Mention a number of them such as being a good motivator, problem solver, performing well under pressure, being loyal, having a positive attitude, eager to learn, taking initiative, and attention to detail. Whichever you go for, be prepared to give examples that illustrate this particular skill.

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## Question # 21

How would you feel about working for someone who knows less than you As Stock Plan Administrator?

## Answer-

The reality is, the majority of the time someone is in a management/leadership position is because of their experience and past success. So they probably possess at least a unique set of knowledge from you. So you'll want to learn from them as much as possible. If it's not the case, then discuss how you would look for mentors in different departments to help your personal career development.

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## Question # 22

How have you achieved your success?

## Answer:-

Discuss stories of how you've progressed over the years to achieve success. People relate best to stories.



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#### Question # 23

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

#### Answer:-

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

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#### Question # 24

How did you find out about this job As Stock Plan Administrator? What do you know about the job?

#### Answer:-

Possible ways to find out about the job:

Online website listing, friend, professional referral, mentor, career fairs, networking events. You should know about the roles and responsibilities of the job and what they're looking for. Make sure you read up on that online beforehand or ask the person that referred you.

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#### Question # 25

How do you prioritize your work initiatives As Stock Plan Administrator?

#### 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 # 26

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 # 27

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

## Answer:

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

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## Question # 28

What motivates you to work As Stock Plan Administrator?

## 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 # 29

How do you inspire others to be better?

## Answer:-

First, the key to inspiring others it to first understand what their goals and objectives are. Once you understand what people want, you can inspire them with a vision that aligns to what they care about. People generally care about having purpose, being successful (and being recognized for it), contributing in a meaningful way, and financial rewards (to a degree) and much more. Then once you understand what people set as goals, you can inspire them through 1:1 pep talks, a presentation to multiple people and so forth.

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## Question # 30

What have you done to prepare yourself to be a supervisor?

## Answer:-

- 1. Learn from current supervisors (best practices)
- 2. Mentor others
- 3. Be exceptionally good at your current job so that it builds your credibility
- Have a high emotional IQ

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## Question # 31

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 #32

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 #33

How would you be an asset to us As Stock Plan Administrator?

#### Answer:-

Think again about the job specification and the skills needed for this role As Stock Plan Administrator. Have a paragraph prepared highlighting how you will be able to do the job and what you can bring to the team. It goes without saying that this paragraph should be positive.

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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

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 # 36

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.

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## Question # 37

What are the qualities of a good leader As Stock Plan Administrator? 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 # 38

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 # 39

How do you feel about taking on repetitive tasks As Stock Plan Administrator?

## Answer:

This answer depends on whether or not the job has a lot of repetitive tasks with no variation. If it does, then you would need to be okay with the idea of doing the same task over and over again. If you feel you can offer more than repetitive work, then describe how you would be able to do so.

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#### Question # 40

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 # 41

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 # 42

Why should the we hire you as this position As Stock Plan Administrator?

#### 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 # 43

Give an example of a time you successfully worked As Stock Plan Administrator 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 # 44

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 # 45

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 # 46

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

## Answer:-

A good answer is to discuss the importance of having both elements in a company As Stock Plan Administrator. Structure is good to maintain a focus on priorities and making sure people are productive but having an entrepreneurial spirit can help cultivate new ideas that can truly help the company.

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## Question # 47

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 # 48

What is your desired salary As Stock Plan Administrator?

## Answer:-

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

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



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#### Question # 49

What types of personalities do you work with best?

#### Answer-

In the past, I have found it difficult to work with others who see themselves as better than others, who can take criticism, and who refuse to work with others. I have found it challenging to work with them b/c I am a team oriented person who feels the importance of working together over the needs of the individual especially in a learning environment.

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#### Question # 50

How would your friends describe you?

#### Answer.

My friends would probably say that I'm extremely persistent - I've never been afraid to keep going back until I get what I want. When I worked as a program developer, recruiting keynote speakers for a major tech conference, I got one rejection after another - this was just the nature of the job. But I really wanted the big players - so I wouldn't take no for an answer. I kept going back to them every time there was a new company on board, or some new value proposition. Eventually, many of them actually said "yes" - the program turned out to be so great that we doubled our attendees from the year before. A lot of people might have given up after the first rejection, but it's just not in my nature. If I know something is possible, I have to keep trying until I get it.

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#### Question # 51

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 # 52

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 #53

What problems have you encountered at work?

## Answer:-

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

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## Question # 54

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 # 55

What do you think we could do better or differently?

## Answer:-

This is a common one at startups. Hiring managers want to know that you not only have some background on the company, but that you're able to think critically about it and come to the table with new ideas. So, come with new ideas! What new features would you love to see? How could the company increase conversions? How could customer service be improved? You don't need to have the company's four-year strategy figured out, but do share your thoughts, and more importantly, show how your interests and expertise would lend themselves to the job.

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## Question # 56

How many square feet of pizza are eaten in the United States each month?

## Answer:

This is a classic guesstimate question where you need to think aloud. And so first off you round the U.S. population to 300 million people (it's actually about 315 million but rounding will be much easier and your interviewer will not score you lower for rounding). Then estimate how many people eat pizza. A decent educated



guess is two out of every three people, or 200 million. Now let's say the average pizza-eating person eats pizza twice a month, and eats two slices at a time. That's four slices a month. If the average slice of pizza is perhaps six inches at the base and 10 inches long, then the slice is 30 square inches of pizza. So, four pizza slices would be 120 square inches (30 times 4).

Since one square foot equals 144 square inches (12 times 12), let's assume that each person who eats pizza eats one square foot per month. Since there are 200 million pizza-eating Americans, 200 million square feet of pizza are consumed in the U.S. each month. To summarize: 300 million people in America, 200 million eat pizza, average slice of pizza is six inches at the base and 10 inches long or 30 square inches, average American eats four slices of pizza a month, four pieces times 30 square inches equals 120 square inches (one square foot is 144 square inches), so let's assume one square foot per person, and thus one square foot times 200 million people equals 200 million square feet of pizza a month.

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#### Question # 57

How would you go about establishing your credibility quickly As Stock Plan Administrator with the team?

#### Answer-

Fully understand my responsibilities, work hard and exceed expectations, learn as much as possible, help others as much as possible, understand what my teammates' goals and needs are, be on time, and gain a mentor.

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#### Question # 58

Describe a typical work week for this position As Stock Plan Administrator?

#### 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 Stock Plan Administrator 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 # 59

What were the responsibilities of your last position As Stock Plan Administrator?

#### Answer:-

If you want to show your ambition, you can discuss how you haven't reached all of your goals yet and in that sense aren't satisfied. However, if you want to discuss satisfaction from your job discuss an experience in which you achieved something.

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## Question # 60

How much time do you need to join the organization As Stock Plan Administrator?

## Answer:

You should be able to join it right away, barring plans you've already made (family travel, vacation, other obligations). The key is to simply be open in communication of what's already committed on your schedule. Most companies are accommodating. If they are not, weight the importance of joining that company vs. your plans.

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## Question # 61

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 #62

How do you think I rate as an interviewer?

## Answer:-

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

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

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