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# Time and Attendance Clerk Job Interview Preparation Guide.

### Question #1

Why are you interested in working As Time and Attendance Clerk for [insert company name here]?

### Answer:-

Bad Answer: They don't have a good reason, or provide a generic answer, "I think it represents a great opportunity."

Good answer: One that shows they've done research on the company, and are truly excited about specific things they can do at the job. This not only shows enthusiasm for the work and basic preparation skills, gives you clues about the cultural fit.

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### Question # 2

Tell us about a typical day at work. How does it start? What do you do?

### Answer:

At the beginning of each day, I inspect the work site to make sure that it is hazard-free. Once the work site is secured, I verify that all tools and equipment are adequate in supply. As soon as the work orders are delivered, I provide workers with security guidelines and carry out drills. During the workday, it is my duty to monitor workers to ensure that they are working according to the enforced safety policies and that any problems or accidents are quickly addressed.

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# Question # 3

Why was there a gap in your employment As Time and Attendance Clerk?

# 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 # 4

Do you think you are overqualified for this position As Time and Attendance Clerk?

# Answer:-

No matter your previous job experience or educational background, be sure to tell the interviewer you have the knowledge and skills to successfully execute the job responsibilities.

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# Question # 5

Tell us something about yourself?

# Answer:-

Bad Answer: Candidates who ramble on about themselves without regard for information that will actually help the interviewer make a decision, or candidates who actually provide information showing they are unfit for the job.

Good answer: An answer that gives the interviewer a glimpse of the candidate's personality, without veering away from providing information that relates to the job. Answers should be positive, and not generic.

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# Question # 6

How do you think you might fit this position As Time and Attendance Clerk?

# Answer:-

An important part of research before the interview is what the company does and how the job role relates to that. This includes the company philosophy and working methods. Questions such as this seek to find out how a candidate will fit into the organisation As Time and Attendance Clerk. Answer positively; including practical examples of how you anticipate you would perform in the new role.



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### Question #7

What is your personal mission statement?

### Answer:

Is it to conquer the world? Is it to become a CEO? Is it to give back to the community? Is it to inspire others? Define your statement by stating a clear vision of how you want to make an impact on the world with your work.

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### Question # 8

What do you consider to be your greatest strength?

### Answer:-

There isn't any right answer. Just make sure to make your response positive and true. A few good examples include: Your ability to solve complex problems, Your ability to work well on a team, Your ability to shine under pressure, Your ability to focus in chaotic situations, Your ability to prioritize and organize, Your ability to cut through the fluff to identify the real issues, Your ability to influence other positively. If your strength relates to the position in question that will be more beneficial - but again be honest, don't create a strength for yourself just because you think it will sound good.

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### Question # 9

How would your boss and co-workers describe you?

### Answer:-

First of all, be honest (remember, if you get this job, the hiring manager will be calling your former bosses and co-workers!). Then, try to pull out strengths and traits you haven't discussed in other aspects of the interview As Time and Attendance Clerk, such as your strong work ethic or your willingness to pitch in on other projects when needed.

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### Question # 10

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 # 11

Would you like doing repetitive work?

# Answer:

Why not, I am not only doing a repetitive work but also earning but also getting a good salary by the company As Time and Attendance Clerk. And second thing is that nothing is interesting in the life till we are not interested.

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# Question # 12

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 # 13

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 Time and Attendance Clerk 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 # 14

Can you describe your ideal boss/supervisor?

# Answer:

During the interview As Time and Attendance Clerk process employers will want to find out how you respond to supervision. They want to know whether you have any problems with authority, If you can work well as part of a group (see previous question) and if you take instructions well etc.

Never ever ever, criticize a past supervisor or boss. This is a red flag for airlines and your prospective employer will likely assume you are a difficult employee, unable to work in a team or take intruction and side with your former employer.

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### Question # 15

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 # 16

Do you work well within a team?

### Answer:-

Some people are thrown when they are asked this Time and Attendance Clerk question when they are applying for a position to work alone. Every company works as a team, so you are a good team player, give an example of when you have worked well within a team.

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# Question # 17

Tell me about a time you had to fire a friend?

### Answer-

Hopefully you've never had to do this, but if you did, talk about how hard it was personally to fire anyone but that you did it objectively.

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### Question # 18

What would your previous employer say is your greatest strength?

## Answer:-

Be prepared for this question. If you have to sit and think about it it's going to appear as if you're not sure or that you've never identified your own value in the work place - not good. You don't have to have a complex response. Keep it simple and honest. For example, several possibilities could be Leadership, Problem solving ability, Initiative, Energy, Work ethic, Innovative, etc., etc.

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# Question # 19

What critical component of this position As Time and Attendance Clerk makes the work challenging?

# Answer:-

Heading information: This should include job title, pay grade or range, reporting relationship (by position, not individual), hours or shifts, and the likelihood of overtime or weekend work.

Summary objective of the job: List the general responsibilities and descriptions of key tasks and their purpose, relationships with customers, coworkers, and others, and the results expected of incumbent employees.

Qualifications: State the education, experience, training, and technical skills necessary for entry into this job.

Special demands: This should include any extraordinary conditions applicable to the job As Time and Attendance Clerk (for example, heavy lifting, exposure to temperature extremes, prolonged standing, or travel).

Job duties and responsibilities: Only two features of job responsibility are important: identifying tasks that comprise about 90 to 95 percent of the work done and listing tasks in order of the time consumed (or, sometimes, in order of importance).

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# Question # 20

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 # 21

What have you done to improve yourself in the last year As Time and Attendance Clerk?

# 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 # 22

How has school prepared you for this job role?

# Answer:-

Think back to how you've interacted with your peers to develop social skills, how you've worked with classmates on projects to develop teamwork and collaborative skills, how you've developed discipline through studying, how the courses have helped your creativity, and how the classes you've taken have impacted your analytical / problem solving / reasoning skills.

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### Question # 23

What role do you see technology playing in this role?

### Answer-

Technology is important to almost every job today but it's not meant to be abused. I believe it's important to increase productivity and not for personal use.

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### Question # 24

What other jobs are you applying for As Time and Attendance Clerk?

### Answer-

If you're applying with other similar companies in a similar or the same industry, it's actually okay to state that as it shows you're valued and wanted.

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### Question # 25

Was there a person in your career who really made a difference?

### Answer:-

If you can't think of one, you need to get a mentor QUICKLY! Mentors can come in the form of peers, family members, co-workers, management / leaders at a company and so on.

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# Question # 26

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 # 27

Describe yourself in three words?

### Answer:-

Pick three adjectives but then back up each with a real life story that demonstrates those characteristics.

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# Question # 28

What do you aspire to be?

# Answer:-

Discuss your aspirations for the near, immediate and long term. You want to show them you are thinking of making an impact now as well as the future.

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# Question # 29

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 # 30

Where do you see yourself in five years As Time and Attendance Clerk?

# 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 # 31

How many basketballs would fit in this room?

# Answer:-

One. You did not ask what is the maximum number of basketballs you can fit in the room.

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### Question # 32

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 #33

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 # 34

How do you imagine a typical day of an employee in our company As Time and Attendance Clerk?

### 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 #35

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 #36

What's been your biggest failure to date?

# Answer:

Describe your biggest failure and discuss what you've learned from it and ideally how you've been successful since because of that lesson.

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# Question # 37

How do you feel about giving back to the community?

# Answer:-

Describe your charitable activities to showcase that community work is important to you. If you haven't done one yet, go to www.globalguideline.com - charitable work is a great way to learn about other people and it's an important part of society - GET INVOLVED!

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# Question # 38

What challenges are you looking for in this position?

# Answer:-

A typical interview question to determine what you are looking for your in next job, and whether you would be a good fit for the position being hired for, is "What challenges are you looking for in a position As Time and Attendance Clerk?" The best way to answer questions about the challenges you are seeking is to discuss how you would like to be able to effectively utilize your skills and experience if you were hired for the job. You can also mention that you are motivated by challenges, have the ability to effectively meet challenges, and have the flexibility and skills necessary to handle a challenging job. You can continue by describing specific examples of challenges you have met and goals you have achieved in the past.

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# Question # 39

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 # 40

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 # 41

What's a time you disagreed with a decision that was made at work?

### Answer:-

Everyone disagrees with the boss from time to time, but in asking this interview question As Time and Attendance Clerk, hiring managers want to know that you can do so in a productive, professional way. "You don't want to tell the story about the time when you disagreed but your boss was being a jerk and you just gave in to keep the peace. And you don't want to tell the one where you realized you were wrong,". Tell the one where your actions made a positive difference on the outcome of the situation, whether it was a work-related outcome or a more effective and productive working relationship.

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### Question # 42

What are the qualities of a good leader As Time and Attendance Clerk? 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 # 43

How would you observe the level of motivation of your subordinates?

## Answer:-

Choosing the right metrics and comparing productivity of everyone on daily basis is a good answer, doesn't matter in which company you apply for a supervisory role

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# Question # 44

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 # 45

Tell me one thing about yourself you wouldn't want me to know?

# Answer-

Talk about a trait that you would consider a weakness. No need to talk about your deepest darkest secrets here.

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# Question # 46

What kind of salary do you need As Time and Attendance Clerk?

# Answer:

This is a loaded question and a nasty little game that you will probably lose if you answer first. So, do not answer it. Instead, say something like, that's a tough question. Can you tell me the range for this position? In most cases, the interviewer, taken off guard, will tell you. If not, say that it can depend on the details of the job. Then give a wide range.

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# Question # 47

What is your desired salary As Time and Attendance Clerk?

# 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 # 48

Why should the we hire you as this position As Time and Attendance Clerk?

# 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 # 49

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

### Answer:-

Companies love it when you discuss how you've made an impact on your teammates, clients, or partners in the business or in school. It should be rewarding because of the hard work and creative process that you've put into it.

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### Question # 50

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 # 51

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 # 52

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 #53

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 # 54

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 #55

Do you like to start personal relationships with other employees?

# Answer:-

Well, the right answer is yes and no. Good personal relations can improve the overall performance of a team. But on the other hand, you should not let your emotions to affect your decisions in work.

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# Question #56

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 # 57

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 # 58

How would you rate your communication and interpersonal skills for this job As Time and Attendance Clerk?

### 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 #59

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 # 60

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 #61

What do you know about the company?

### Answer:-

Any candidate can read and regurgitate the company's "About" page. So, when interviewers ask this, they aren't necessarily trying to gauge whether you understand the mission-they want to know whether you care about it. Start with one line that shows you understand the company's goals, using a couple key words and phrases from the website, but then go on to make it personal. Say, "I'm personally drawn to this mission because..." or "I really believe in this approach because..." and share a personal example or two.

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# Question # 62

Give an example of a time you successfully worked As Time and Attendance Clerk 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 # 63

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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