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# **US Bancorp 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 US Bancorp 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

What are your strengths In US Bancorp?

## Answer:-

This is one of the most common questions you will be asked. Give an answer relevant to the skills and qualities relevant to the position you are applying to. The interviewer is trying to find if your strengths match the job. For example, if you are applying for a job In US Bancorp where accuracy is an important issue, one of your strengths could be that you have an eye for detail. It may useful to find different words to describe similar attributes and qualities in order to avoid repetition.

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## Question # 3

What is your greatest professional achievement?

## Answer:-

Nothing says "hire me" better than a track record of achieving amazing results in past jobs In US Bancorp, 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 US Bancorp, 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 # 4

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 In US Bancorp. And second thing is that nothing is interesting in the life till we are not interested.

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## Question # 5

How would you describe your approach to US Bancorp?

## Answer:-

In more general terms, a question such as this gives a candidate the opportunity to talk about their professional philosophy and skills. While the question is general in nature, the best answers are usually quite specific, picking one or two points and exemplifying them with instances from personal history.

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## Question # 6

Suppose there are three light switches outside a room. Inside is a single light bulb, controlled by one of the three switches. You need to determine which switch operates the bulb. You can turn the switches on and off as many times as you wish (they are all off to begin with), but may only enter the room once. There is no one there to help you. The door to the room is closed, and there are no windows, so you cannot see inside. How can you discover which switch operates the bulb?

## Answer:-

Do the following steps:

\* 1. Turn ON two switches, and leave one OFF.



- \* 2. Wait a few minutes
- \* 3. Turn one switch from ON to OFF. One is now ON and two are OFF
- \* 4. Enter the room. If the light is ON, it is controlled by the switch you left ON. If the light bulb is OFF, touch it. If it is warm it is controlled by the switch you turned ON and OFF. If it is cold, it is controlled by the switch you never turned on.

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## Question #7

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 #8

What do you consider to be your weaknesses?

## Answer:-

What your interviewer is really trying to do with this question-beyond identifying any major red flags-is to gauge your self-awareness and honesty. So, "I can't meet a deadline to save my life In US Bancorp" is not an option-but neither is "Nothing! I'm perfect!" Strike a balance by thinking of something that you struggle with but that you're working to improve. For example, maybe you've never been strong at public speaking, but you've recently volunteered to run meetings to help you be more comfortable when addressing a crowd.

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## Question # 9

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 # 10

What was the most difficult employee situation you found yourself In US Bancorp? How did you overcome the problem?

## Answer:

One of employees was conflicting with other and colleague who was prove his was wrong hi denied and was invite union to defend him but we have prove his wrong and I was facing disciplinary action.

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## Question # 11

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 In US Bancorp, 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 # 12

Describe to me the position In US Bancorp you're applying for?

## Answer:

This is a "homework" question, too, but it also gives some clues as to the perspective the person brings to the table. The best preparation you can do is to read the job description and repeat it to yourself in your own words so that you can do this smoothly at the interview.

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## Question # 13

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 # 14

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 #15

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 # 16

How do you handle stressful situations?

## Answer.

By remaining calm, weighing out all my options and executing a plan to get the situation resolve.

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## Question # 17

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 # 18

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 # 19

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 # 20

What does quality work mean to you?

## Answer:-

Quality work to be is about doing work to the require or set standard, which is very important when it comes to warehouse operations.

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## Question # 21

What kind of salary do you need In US Bancorp?

## 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 # 22

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 # 23

What would your first 30, 60, or 90 days look like in this role In US Bancorp?

## Answer.

Start by explaining what you'd need to do to get ramped up. What information would you need? What parts of the company would you need to familiarize yourself with? What other employees would you want to sit down with? Next, choose a couple of areas where you think you can make meaningful contributions right away. (e.g., "I think a great starter project would be diving into your email marketing campaigns and setting up a tracking system for them.") Sure, if you get the job, you (or your new employer) might decide there's a better starting place, but having an answer prepared will show the interviewer where you can add immediate impact-and that you're excited to get started.

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## Question # 24

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 # 25

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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## Question # 26

What five words would be describe you as US Bancorp?

## 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 # 27

Why do you want to work for this company?

## Answer:-

Again be honest. The interviewer will be able to sense very quickly if you're be disingenuous. Your answer should be base on your person reasons, career aspirations as well as research you've performed on the company. The most important thing you should do is make sure to relate your answer to your long-term career goals.

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## Question # 28

Do you know anyone that works with our company?

## Answer:-

Sometimes companies have policies relating to the hiring of individuals related to current company employees. If you are related to anyone working for the company make sure you're aware of company policies before you enter the interview. If you have a friend or acquaintance working for the company make sure have good relationship with this individual before mentioning them.

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## Question # 29

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 # 30

Describe your management style?

Try to avoid specific classifications, whatever it may be. Organizations usually prefer managers who can adapt their skills to different situations.

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## Question #31

What have you learned from mistakes on the job?

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 # 32

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 # 33

Top 11 Questions to Verify Experience and Credentials In US Bancorp:

## Answer:-

Sometimes people want a job a little too bad - and they may fudge their credentials and experience a bit.

If you've run into this problem, are worried about it, or have credentials and experience that are absolutely essential, you may need to ask a few verification questions. If you are a candidate, you should review your resume and make sure you know all the key points, and that nothing has been misconstrued.

- 1. What grades did you get in college?
- 2. What were your responsibilities when you worked in job x?
- 3. How many people were on your team at your last job?
- 4. What will your previous manager/supervisor say when I ask where you needed to improve?
- 5. What was your beginning and ending salary at job x?
- 6. What were your beginning and ending titles at job x?
- 7. Are you eligible for rehire at job x?
- 8. What tools are necessary for performing job x?
- Describe to me how you would perform [x typical job task].
- 10. What was the focus of your thesis?
- 11. When did you leave company x?

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## Question # 34

Top 13 Situational Interview Questions In US Bancorp:

Situational interviews In US Bancorp are similar to behavioral interview questions - but they are focused on the future, and ask hypothetical questions, whereas behavioral interview questions look at the past.

The advantage is that employers can put all candidates in the same hypothetical situations, and compare their answers.

- 1. What would you do if you made a strong recommendation in a meeting, but your colleagues decided against it?
- 2. How you would handle it if your team resisted a new idea or policy you introduced?
- 3. How would you handle it if the priorities for a project you were working on were suddenly changed?
- 4. What would you do if the work of an employee you managed didn't meet expectations?
- 5. What would you do if an important task was not up to standard, but the deadline to complete it had passed? 6. What steps would you take to make an important decision on the job In US Bancorp?
- 7. How would you handle a colleague you were unable to form a positive relationship with?
- What would you do if you disagreed with the way a manager wanted you to handle a problem? 9. What would you do if you were assigned to work with a difficult client In US Bancorp?
- 10. What would you do if you worked hard on a solution to a problem, and your solution was criticized by your team?
- 11. How would you handle working closely with a colleague who was very different from you?
- 12. You're working on a key project that you can't complete, because you're waiting on work from a colleague. What do you do?
- 13. You realize that an early mistake in a project is going to put you behind deadline. What do you do?

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# Question #35

Tell me about a time when you had to use your presentation skills to influence someone's opinion In US Bancorp?

Example stories could be a class project, an internal meeting presentation, or a customer facing presentation.

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## Question # 36



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 #37

Describe your work style?

## Answer:-

Describe the positive aspects of your work style if possible, including: work ethic, attention to detail, interpersonal skills, skill sets (analytical or otherwise), leadership abilities, communication skills.

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## Question #38

Where do you see yourself in 5 years with your career?

## Answer:-

Be sure to paint a clear picture of your career vision that demonstrates your aspirations and goals that are realistic. This could emphasize increased responsibility, the ability to manage people and so forth

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## Question #39

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 # 40

What are you passionate about?

## Answer:-

Ask yourself - what are your core passions that you wake up excited to act on each and every day? Ask yourself what makes you happy or drives you - is it helping others? Is it making money? Is it creating something? Is it about changing the world? Etc.

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## Question # 41

What are your lifelong dreams?

## Answer:-

If your dreams don't relate to the job closely, make sure you highlight aspects of the job that will help develop the skills that will help you with your dreams. Ideally, you want your dreams to relate strongly to the career path you're interviewing for though.

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## Question # 42

What is your perception of taking on risk?

## Answer:-

You answer depends on the type of company you're interviewing for. If it's a start up, you need to be much more open to taking on risk. If it's a more established company, calculated risks to increase / improve the business or minimal risks would typically be more in line.

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## Question # 43

Do you value recognition or pay more? Why?

## Answer:-

Either preference is fine, but just remember you have to be able to explain why. If you say recognition, then back that up by describing how achievement really carries weight with you and how you like to feel valued in the work that you do because it validates that you're helping your teammates / customers and so forth. If you choose money, you can also explain that is important to you as validation and you can highlight how money is important to you because of your goals (financial security, providing for your family, and so forth). The key is to be authentic with your answer. However, if you say you value pay more because you're greedy - know that doesn't align usually to most company's values/vision.

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## Question # 44

How important is the vision of the company to you?

## Answer:-

It should be very important if you want a long standing career. Remember, you're investing your time, energy and earnings potential into a company so you want to make sure it's a sustainably successful company that will grow with you over the long haul.



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## Question # 45

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 # 46

What are your presentation skills like In US Bancorp?

## Answer.

Make sure you share a story that demonstrates your presentation skills in front of many people. If you are really brave, offer to give a snippet of that presentation to the interviewer. This will definitely be different from what most people do.

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## Question # 47

How well do you multi-task?

## Answer:-

Multi-tasking is an important part of most jobs. You want to show that you're good at it but not overwhelmed with it. So discuss just a few things you can multi-task well on - for example: "I'm good at multi tasking between work email and working on projects In US Bancorp and the reason it because I'm good at prioritizing my work emails.

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## Question # 48

What are your thoughts about working from home?

## Answer:-

This is a new policy some companies are adopting. If the company you are interviewing for allows for it, then you should be thankful for the flexibility and convenience yet state that working from home is a privilege that you would honor. The key point you want to make is that you would still be able to focus and be just as productive working at home.

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## Question # 49

How do you feel about taking on repetitive tasks In US Bancorp?

## 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 # 50

What techniques and tools do you use to keep yourself organized In US Bancorp?

## 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 # 51

If you had to choose one, would you consider yourself a big-picture person or a detail-oriented person?

## Answer:

Both are important. You need to stress that. However, if you could only choose one, ask yourself In US Bancorp - do you like to be "in the weeds" with your work, or do you want to be the one painting the vision?

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## Question # 52

What are you most proud of?

## Answer:

You should be proud of all your achievements In US Bancorp! We just don't have time to hear them all as interviewers most likely. Focus on 1 really good achievement that showcases characteristics like the following: Integrity, competitiveness, resourcefulness, intelligence, persistence, and so forth.

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## Question # 53

What do you like to do?



## Answer:-

Discuss your passions In US Bancorp. Ideally if it's work related that's fantastic! If not, talk about your academic / extracurricular passions and WHY you enjoy them. For example: I love playing sports because of the team work aspect - it's fun winning together! (This example shows you're a team player)

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## Question #54

What do you ultimately want to become?

## Answer:

Do you want to be an entry level worker In US Bancorp? 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 # 55

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 #56

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 #57

What do you do in your spare time?

## Answer:-

If you want to show your fun side, discuss your extracurricular activities. If you want to show your ambition, discuss the work / school projects you do in your spare time.

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## Question # 58

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 # 59

What do you know about this department?

## Answer:-

One good way to find out about the department is to try to "informally" interview the existing employees over coffee (outside of the office) if possible. It's hard if you don't have any connections there, but if you do a great way to learn about it. Other than that, it's often hard to learn about the department so you can turn the table back on them by asking questions to learn about it.

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## Question # 60

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

## Answer:-

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

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## Question # 61

What aspect of supervision do you find the most difficult?

## Answer:-

Managing different personalities and keeping them focused on the goal at hand.

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## Question # 62



Tell me about a decision you made recently and how you reached it In US Bancorp?

The key is to show that you put a lot of thought (weighing out the pros and cons) but were able to be decisive. Be sure to explain your logic in arriving at the decision. Read More Answers.

## Question #63

How much time do you need to join the organization In US Bancorp?

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 ά vs. your plans.

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