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# Vice President Engineering Job Interview Preparation Guide.

### Question #1

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

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 # 2

Tell me about yourself?

### Answer:-

There are some questions that your potential employer aren't allowed to ask (but trust me, they probably want to). For instance, they shouldn't really ask about your family or how far away you live from your potential place of employment. If you can find a way to answer these questions anyway (with the answers they want to hear), that will give them a little added info to help them make the (right) decision!

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Top 11 Interview Questions to Ask when Emotional Intelligence Matters As Vice President Engineering:

### 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 # 4

Explain me what do you know about our company?

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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Where do you see your career in five years As Vice President Engineering?

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



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### Question #6

What kind of car do you drive?

### Answer:

The only time this might matter is if the job requires a certain type of car because of the responsibilities. For example, if you need to load a lot of construction materials into your car, you'll probably need a truck.

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### Question #7

What motivates you?

### Answer.

I've always been motivated by the challenge - in my last role, I was responsible for training our new recruits and having a 100% success rate in passing scores. I know that this job is very fast-paced and I'm more than up for the challenge. In fact, I thrive on it.

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### Question #8

If you were given more initiatives than you could handle, what would you do?

### Answer:-

First prioritize the important activities that impact the business most. Then discuss the issue of having too many initiatives with the boss so that it can be offloaded. Work harder to get the initiatives done.

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### Question # 9

What five words would be describe you as Vice President Engineering?

### 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 # 10

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 # 11

What is more important to you money or success?

### Answer:-

First ask yourself that question before the interview - what are your priorities? Are money and success actual one in the same goal for you? If not, what's more important based on how do you define success?

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### Question # 12

What did you like least about your last (or current) job As Vice President Engineering?

### Answer:

Don't vent or focus on the negative with brutally honest answers such as "My boss was a jerk," or "The company culture was too politically correct," or "They just weren't giving me the opportunity to take my career to the next level." Instead, keep the emphasis on the positive, even though there are sure to be things you weren't happy about.

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### Question # 13

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 # 14

What motivates you the most?

### Answer-

Is it money? Is it career development? Is it recognition? Is it a sense of achievement? Is it to impress your peers? Is it for fame?

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### Question #15

Why do you want to leave your current company As Vice President Engineering?

### Answer-

Bad Answer: Complaining about or blaming their former job, boss or colleagues. Also, having no good reason.

Good answer: One that focuses on the positives about why the job they're applying for offers them better learning or career opportunities, chances for advancement, aligns more closely to their long term goals, or is a better fit for them.

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### Question # 16

How do you think you might fit this position As Vice President Engineering?

### 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 Vice President Engineering. Answer positively; including practical examples of how you anticipate you would perform in the new role.

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### Question # 17

What do you consider ethical spending on an expense account?

### Answer:-

It depends on the role - but the better way to answer this is to ask the interviewer what their expectations are with regards to what the role can expense and then simply state that you'll stay within those parameters

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### Question # 18

Are you willing to work overtime or odd hours?

### Answer:-

Be completely honest. You don't want to lie to get the job if you're not going to work the hours required.

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### Question # 19

Are you currently looking at other job opportunities?

### Answer:-

Just answer this question honestly. Sometime an employer wants to know if there are other companies you're considering so that they can determine how serious you are about the industry, they're company and find out if you're in demand. Don't spend a lot of time on this question; just try to stay focused on the job you're interviewing for.

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### Question # 20

Explain me about a problem or disagreement you had with previous supervisor?

### Answer:-

This question is trap. It is meant to see whether or not you'll speak poorly of an employer. No one wants to hire someone who's going to speak poorly of them down the road. Stay upbeat and positive - and most of all don't say anything negative about a previous employer.

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### Question # 21

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

### Answer:

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

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### Question # 22

What role are you ready to take in a group?

### Answer:-

Ideally, you want to take on the role you're interviewing for, but you want to be flexible with your responsibilities As Vice President Engineering if there are any changes.



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### Question # 23

How did you find out about this job As Vice President Engineering? 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 # 24

Describe a time where you've failed and bounced back?

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Share a story to describe this. For example: "I accidentally made the mistake of telling a customer I could deliver on a solution set on a certain date and then later found out our business partner couldn't do it on that time. I learned that I shouldn't rush into important decisions and promises like this and that I should always check with my counterparts first before committing to a statement of work."

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### Question # 25

If you were an animal, which one would you want to be?

### Answer-

Seemingly random personality-test type questions like these come up in interviews generally because hiring managers want to see how you can think on your feet. There's no wrong answer here, but you'll immediately gain bonus points if your answer helps you share your strengths or personality or connect with the hiring manager. Pro tip: Come up with a stalling tactic to buy yourself some thinking time, such as saying, "Now, that is a great question. I think I would have to say..."

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### Question # 26

What is your greatest failure As Vice President Engineering, and what did you learn from it?

### Answer:-

When I was in college, I took an art class to supplement my curriculum. I didn't take it very seriously, and assumed that, compared to my Engineering classes, it would be a walk in the park. My failing grades at midterm showed me otherwise. I'd even jeopardized my scholarship status. I knew I had to get my act together. I spent the rest of the semester making up for it, ended up getting a decent grade in the class. I learned that no matter what I'm doing, I should strive to do it to the best of my ability. Otherwise, it's not worth doing at all.

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### Question # 27

What do you think of your previous boss?

### Answer:-

Do not belittle or talk badly of your last boss - it will come off as being petty. Instead, talk about the positive lessons you were able to learn from your last boss.

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### Question # 28

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 Vice President Engineering?" 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 # 29

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 # 30

What are you most proud of?

### Answer:-

You should be proud of all your achievements As Vice President Engineering! 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 #31

Why should I hire you As Vice President Engineering?

### Answer:

To close the deal on a job offer, you MUST be prepared with a concise summary of the top reasons to choose you. Even if your interviewer doesn't ask one of these question in so many words, you should have an answer prepared and be looking for ways to communicate your top reasons throughout the interview process.

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### Question # 32

What motivates you to work As Vice President Engineering?

### 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 # 33

If someone had to say something negative to you, what would they say?

### Answer:-

Again, be honest about sharing a story here about someone who may not have gotten along with you in the office here and explain how you were able to fix that relationship or change your attitude/action to be a better person / coworker.

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### Question # 34

Explain a time when you did not get along with your coworker?

### Answer:-

I used to lock heads with a fellows. We disagreed over a lot of things - from the care of civilians to who got what shifts to how to speak with a victim's family. Our personalities just didn't mesh. After three months of arguing, I pulled her aside and asked her to lunch. At lunch, we talked about our differences and why we weren't getting along. It turns out, it was all about communication. We communicated differently and once we knew that, we began to work well together. I really believe that talking a problem through with someone can help solve any issue.

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### Question # 35

How do you define arrogance? Are you arrogant?

### Answer:

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

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### Question # 36

How do you take "No" for an answer?

### Answer:-

You want to be persistent enough to understand why someone is saying no so that you could potentially convince them otherwise with a sound reason. However, if they are still saying "no" to you, then you need to humbly accept their position and move on.

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### Question # 37

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 #38

Describe to me a time where you had to make a hard decision As Vice President Engineering?

### Answer:

Hard decisions are hard for a reason. It could dramatically effect the company. It could affect other workers. So if you have a story about how you made a hard decision and had a good outcome, share that. If you have one where the outcome wasn't great, explain how you would have changed the way you approached the decision to show you learned how to improve.

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### Question #39

What other jobs are you applying for As Vice President Engineering?



### 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 # 40

Do you have the ability to articulate a vision and to get others involved to carry it out?

### Answer-

If yes, then share an example of how you've done so at work or college. If not, then discuss how you would do so. Example: "I would first understand the goals of the staff members and then I would align those to the goals of the project / company. Then I would articulate the vision of that alignment and ask them to participate. From there, we would delegate tasks among the team and then follow up on a date and time to ensure follow through on the tasks. Lastly, we would review the results together."

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### Question #41

How do you handle repetitive tasks?

### Answer:-

Some people enjoy it, others don't. Which are you? If you don't like it, can you at least do it well? And if you don't like it, be ready to explain why in a positive way (i.e. your potential is to do much more than simply be repetitive)

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### Question # 42

How meticulous are you with details?

### Answer:-

Being detailed is important for many types of job roles. Typically you want to highlight how you've done that in previous roles. Example: "Being meticulous is important to me. In my last job, I had to count the money in the register as a cashier to make sure it matched to the receipts down to the last penny." This was to ensure there wasn't any "wrongdoing" at the company by any of the cashiers and I was always accurate in my reports.

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### Question # 43

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 # 44

Did the salary we offer attract you to this job?

### Answer:-

The interviewer could be asking you this question for a number of reasons. Obviously, the salary is an important factor to your interest in this job, but it should not be the overriding reason for your interest. A good answer to this question is, "The salary was very attractive, but the job itself is what was most attractive to me."

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### Question # 45

How would you motivate your team members to produce the best possible results?

### Answer:-

Trying to create competitive atmosphere, trying to motivate the team as a whole, organizing team building activities, building good relationships amongst people.

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### Question # 46

When was the last time something upset you at work? What did you do?

### Answer:-

Almost everyone has an emotional moment related to work at some point - you're not alone. The key is to learn why you reacted that way and to focus not on the problem but HOW to resolve it. Another key component is to be aware of your emotional response so that you can learn to control it in the future in a calm way.

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### Question # 47

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 # 48



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 # 49

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 #50

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 # 51

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 # 52

What is your biggest achievement?

### 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 # 53

What techniques and tools do you use to keep yourself organized As Vice President Engineering?

### 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 # 54

What type of work environment do you prefer?

### Answer:-

Ideally one that's similar to the environment of the company you're applying to. Be specific.

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### Question # 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

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 # 57

Do you have good computer skills?

### Answer:-



It is becoming increasingly important for medical assistants to be knowledgeable about computers. If you are a long-time computer user with experience with different software applications, mention it. It is also a good idea to mention any other computer skills you have, such as a high typing rate, website creation, and more.

### Question # 58

What kind of salary do you need As Vice President Engineering?

### 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 #59

Do you think you have enough experience As Vice President Engineering?

### Answer:-

If you do not have the experience they need, you need to show the employer that you have the skills, qualities and knowledge that will make you equal to people with experience but not necessary the skills. It is also good to add how quick you can pick up the routine of a new job role.

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### Question # 60

How would you go about establishing your credibility quickly As Vice President Engineering 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 # 61

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 # 62

What does quality work mean to you?

### Answer:-

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### Question # 63

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 # 64

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 # 65

Explain me about your experience working in this field As Vice President Engineering?

### Answer:-

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

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### Question # 66

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 # 67

Why should the we hire you as this position As Vice President Engineering?

### 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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