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## Vocational Instructor 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 As Vocational Instructor 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

How do you stay organized?

#### Answer-

By maintaining proper routine every day. Putting my strongest points with my weakness. High priority always comes first As Vocational Instructor.

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## Question #3

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 # 4

What experience do you have As Vocational Instructor?

## Answer:-

The employer would want to know that not only you can do the job but you can make the difference and bring significant contribution - Simple as that. No doubt that this is your time to perform and present yourself - You have to introduce/sell yourself to the interviewer. Prepare your answer based on your qualification, professional experience and what you've already achieved in your previous jobs. This is your time to express why you think that your professional abilities fit into the job and its requirements.

Top 10 employment experience you'd want to review:

- \* Companies you worked for with dates
- \* The positions you've held
- \* Key projects and responsibilities
- \* Achievements
- \* Coursework & continues education
- \* Expertise
- \* Tools you used (software, hardware)
- \* Knowledge of languages
- \* Engagement with customers and key industry leaders
- \* Team work you were involved (and your contribution)

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## Question # 5

What have you done to improve your knowledge As Vocational Instructor in the last year?

## Answer:

Try to include improvement activities that relate to the job As Vocational Instructor. A wide variety of activities can be mentioned as positive self-improvement. Have some good ones handy to mention.

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#### Question # 6

What have you learned from mistakes on this job?

#### Answer-

Candidates without specific examples often do not seem credible. However, the example shared should be fairly inconsequential, unintentional, and a learned lesson should be gleaned from it. Moving ahead without group assistance while assigned to a group project meant to be collaborative is a good example.

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#### Question #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

Why are you leaving last job?

#### Answer:-

Although this would seem like a simple question, it can easily become tricky. You shouldn't mention salary being a factor at this point As Vocational Instructor. If you're currently employed, your response can focus on developing and expanding your career and even yourself. If you're current employer is downsizing, remain positive and brief. If your employer fired you, prepare a solid reason. Under no circumstance should you discuss any drama or negativity, always remain positive.

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#### Question # 9

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 # 10

What are your salary requirements As Vocational Instructor?

## Answer:-

The #1 rule of answering this question is doing your research on what you should be paid by using site like Global Guideline. You'll likely come up with a range, and we recommend stating the highest number in that range that applies, based on your experience, education, and skills. Then, make sure the hiring manager knows that you're flexible. You're communicating that you know your skills are valuable, but that you want the job and are willing to negotiate.

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## Question # 11

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 # 12

What other companies are you interviewing with?

## Answer:-

Companies ask this for a number of reasons, from wanting to see what the competition is for you to sniffing out whether you're serious about the industry. "Often the best approach is to mention that you are exploring a number of other similar options in the company's industry,". It can be helpful to mention that a common characteristic of all the jobs you are applying to is the opportunity to apply some critical abilities and skills that you possess. For example, you might say 'I am applying for several positions with IT consulting firms where I can analyze client needs and translate them to development teams in order to find solutions to technology problems.'

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## Question # 13

Why are you interested in this type of job As Vocational Instructor?

## Answer:

You're looking for someone who enjoys working with the elderly, or a caring, sociable, and nurturing person.

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## Question # 14

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 #15

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 # 16

Do you think you have enough experience As Vocational Instructor?

#### 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 # 17

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 # 18

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 # 19

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 # 20

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 # 21

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 # 22

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 # 23

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 # 24

What kind of salary do you need As Vocational Instructor?

#### 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 # 25

Are you planning to continue your studies and training As Vocational Instructor?

#### Answer:-

If asked about plans for continued education, companies typically look for applicants to tie independent goals with the aims of the employer. Interviewers consistently want to see motivation to learn and improve. Continuing education shows such desires, especially when potentials display interests in academia potentially benefiting the company.

Answering in terms of "I plan on continuing my studies in the technology field," when offered a question from a technology firm makes sense. Tailor answers about continued studies specific to desired job fields. Show interest in the industry and a desire to work long-term in said industry. Keep answers short and to the point, avoiding diatribes causing candidates to appear insincere.

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#### Question # 26

How do you evaluate your ability to handle conflict?

## Answer:-

I pride myself on being a good problem solver. Through my previous job and management positions I have faced numerous conflicts in different situations, and my experiences have helped me to hone my issue resolution skills. I believe that it is important to get to and address the root of the issue, in a respectable manner.

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## Question # 27

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 # 28

Tell me about a time when you helped resolve a dispute between others?

## Answer:

Be sure to discuss a very specific example. Tell the interviewer what methods you used to solve the problem without focusing on the details of the problem.

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## Question # 29

Explain what are your weaknesses As Vocational Instructor?

## Answer:-

Red flags: This is the peanut butter to the previous question's jelly. Again, everyone should expect it, so it's a bad sign if someone seems totally unprepared, or gives a stock answer like, "I'm a perfectionist." Also, of course, candidates crazy enough to blurt out some horrible personality trait should go in the red flagged pile. Good answer: Candidates should talk about a real weakness they've been working on improving. For instance, they're not good at public speaking, but they've been taking a course to help them improve. Or maybe they feel that they're easily distracted when working online, but have installed software that helps them stay on task. Answers like these show a desire for improvement, self awareness and discipline.

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## Question #30

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 #31

Top 12 Best Brainteaser Interview Questions:

#### Answer:

Brainteaser questions As Vocational Instructor have become popular for interviews in recent years, as word has gotten out that top tech companies such as Apple, Google, Microsoft and IBM have used this type of question at one time or another.

Companies like Google aren't using these questions so much any more, but many companies, are, and it may be good to prepare for them As Vocational Instructor. The key to these isn't so much getting the exact answer, as it is showing how you would come up with an answer.

Here's a sample of 12 of the best and most difficult.

- 1. How many street lights are there in New York City?
- 2. How many gas stations are there in the United States?
- 3. How many golf balls can fit in a school bus?
- 4. How much should you charge to wash all the windows in Seattle?
- 5. Why are manhole covers round?
- 6. How many times a day does a clock's hands overlap?
- 7. How would you test a calculator?
- 8. Describe the internet to someone who just woke up from a 30-year coma.
- 9. How much does the Starbucks in Times Square bring in, in annual revenue?
- 10. You are shrunk to the height of a nickel and thrown into a blender. Your mass is reduced so that your density is the same as usual. The blades start moving in 60 seconds. What do you do?
- 11. What is the air speed velocity of an unladen swallow?;)
- 12. How many golf balls are there in Florida?

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#### Question #32

If the company you worked for was doing something unethical or illegal, what would you do?

#### Anewor-

Report it to the leaders within the company. True leaders understand business ethics are important to the company's longevity

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#### Question #33

You have a project due in one hour but a more important emergency that affects business needs to be fixed immediately, what do you do?

## Answer-

Focus on the issue that impacts the business most first.

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## Question # 34

You notice there are too many non productive internal meetings being held, what do you do?

## Answer:-

Reach out to your boss and let him know that first you value his leadership and organization but that you are being overwhelmed with the amount of non productive internal meetings.

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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 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 # 37

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 #38

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 #39

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 # 40

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 # 41

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 # 42

What are your thoughts on failure?

## Answer:-

Failure happens. It's a part of life. The key is understanding that you can't be perfect at everything and more importantly you're going to learn from failures to come out stronger.

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## Question # 43

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 # 44

How important is a positive attitude to you?

## Answer:

Incredibly important. I believe a positive attitude is the foundation of being successful - it's contagious in the workplace, with our customers, and ultimately it's the difference maker.

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## Question # 45

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

## Answer:-

Describe work you've done that you feel doesn't take advantage of your full potential. For example, "I once had to make paper copies for my job and I feel it didn't take full advantage of my skills. However, it did teach me to be humble in my work and to appreciate a good opportunity when it arose to use my skills"

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## Question # 46

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 # 47

Give me a few examples of how you're results oriented?

#### Answer:-

Make you give an example where you discuss details and metrics. For example, I was a tutor in my last job and mentored 5 students on their SAT test taking skills and raised their scores by 15% on average after a 3 month teaching stint.

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#### Question # 48

How do you prioritize your work initiatives As Vocational Instructor?

#### 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 # 49

What have you done to improve yourself in the last year As Vocational Instructor?

#### 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 # 50

What would you do if our competitor offered you a position As Vocational Instructor?

#### Answer:-

I would weigh the offer and consider it, however, this company and this role is my first choice.

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#### Question # 51

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 Vocational Instructor. 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 # 52

What techniques and tools do you use to keep yourself organized As Vocational Instructor?

## 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 # 53

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 # 54

What are you most proud of?

## Answer:-

You should be proud of all your achievements As Vocational Instructor! 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 #55

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 #56

How did you find out about this job As Vocational Instructor? 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 # 57

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 # 58

Do you have good manners? What types of people need to be treated with good manners?

#### Answer-

You should have good manners. Everyone should be treated with courtesy and respect.

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#### Question # 59

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 # 60

How do you rate yourself in computer skills? Please describe the programs and software that you can use well?

## Answer:

Ideally you want to able to type quickly, have the ability to effectively use Microsoft Office, and more importantly be able to quickly adapt to computer / technology skills. More and more it's become an integral part of work. If the job doesn't require technology skills - then this question shouldn't be asked!

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## Question # 61

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 # 62

In your last job what kinds of pressure did you encounter and how did you react As Vocational Instructor?

## Answer:-

Do not show your fear or uneasiness in handling pressure. Everyone likes to have a worker who can handle pressure calmly and with a clear train of thought. Show how you would logically come to a conclusion in a pressure filled situation.

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## Question # 63

Rate yourself on a scale of 10?

## Answer:-

If you truly believe you're a 10, you better be able to explain why with examples / stories. If you believe you're a great contributor and have room to grow, say 8 or 9. If you're below that, explain what you would do to improve yourself to get the ranking you believe you can be.

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## Question # 64

What was the biggest professional risk you have taken and what was the outcome?

## Answer:

First discuss how you weighed the pros and cons of the risk and the results you'd believe you could achieve. Then discuss the action plan you put into place for it and outline that step by step. Then discuss the outcome and if it wasn't optimal talk about what you would do differently in hindsight.



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## Question # 65

Do you know anyone working with this organization?

It would be great if you did - then you could potentially use them as a referral if they thought highly of you. 

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