

Q: Do you have any helpful experiences that would assist you in doing this job better? Maybe an experience in your family, community, church, or Scouts?

A: You could discuss any volunteer jobs/experiences that might help you do the job well.

Q: Tell me what you think your job duties would be if we hire you.

A: First, research the company and visit the store before your interview and ask an employee about their job. Always talk about the job description in a positive way. Do not ask about salary and raises at your first interview. There are plenty of other ways to show confidence.

Q: What would you do if you received a job assignment, but you didn't quite understand it?

A: It is very important to ask "smart" questions to make sure your work is completed properly, especially when you are new. If you have lots of questions, you could make a list and ask your supervisor to spare a few minutes to discuss your questions before work or during your break.

Q: Describe to me how you have been effective using your organizational & planning skills.

A: This is your chance to show your employer why he/she should hire you. Supervisors need to find employees who are reliable, responsible, and focused on the job.

Q: Tell me about something you have done to motivate your fellow students or friends.

A: Talk briefly about a situation where you show your positive "can-do" attitude in motivating or helping out a friend. You often can relate your answer to a school or sports situation.

Q: How would a close friend describe you? Give three adjectives.

A: Be positive but honest! Try to tie your answer to characteristics that are valued in a work environment (e.g. honest, hard-working, good with people, friendly).

Q: Give me an example of how you adjust to unforeseen circumstances.

A: Speak honestly and realize that employees need to be flexible and agreeable if they want to survive in the working world!

Q: What is one weakness you have and how do you overcome it?

A: While it's okay to be truthful in sharing a weakness, make sure that you also describe how you work to address or overcome your weakness so the interviewer isn't too concerned.

Q: If you had a magic wand, what would be your perfect job?

A: Be creative – your perfect job does not need to relate to the job you are interviewing for, but it could help you get the job. The question shows the interviewer what you are passionate about.

Q: Why should we hire you?

A: Here is an opportunity to talk about your job skills, personality traits, and achievements and how they could be an asset if you are hired.

Q: Do you have any questions for me?

A: Students are encouraged to ask a good question or two that shows genuine interest in the company. Lastly, don't forget to say that you want the job!

The questions listed above are quite general. Interviewers are encouraged to ask a few questions that are more specific to the job that you are interviewing for. Think about what they may ask you!