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Questions to Ask the Interviewer

Be prepared to ask questions at the end of your interview. Being unprepared to ask questions shows a lack of interest and enthusiasm for the job and the company you are applying to. This is also your opportunity to interview the interviewers to see if you really want the job. Be sure to prepare at least 10 questions as some of your questions may be answered during the interview. Below are some sample questions to ask:

1.) What would a typical day in this job be like?

2.) Is this a newly created position or would I be replacing someone? (If replacement: Why did that person leave this position?)

3.) Do you have much turnover in this position?

4.) How would you describe the ideal candidate for this position?

5.) What are some of the more demanding aspects of doing this job well?

6.) What are some examples of great results accomplished by a person in this job?

7.) What opportunities exist for advancement?

8.) How soon will a decision be made for filling this position?

9.) What kind of training might I expect if hired for this position?

10.) Will there be a chance to work overtime in this position?

11.) What is the management style of the supervisor for this position?

12.) What is the best thing about working here? How about the worst?

13.) Would you be able to identify any weakness that I may have so that I can work on them?

14.) Does this organization encourage personal and professional growth? How?

NEVER ask about compensation or benefits during an interview!

This is for the employer to bring up or you should save the discussion for when you get an offer. If the employer does ask you what you're looking for monetarily you can say, "I'm interviewing actively and open to any reasonable offers at this time." The first one to throw out a number usually loses!