



WEEK #8

Session 3



How to succeed in your job interview:
How to answer the
Most Common Questions
Part 2

WHAT ARE YOUR STENGTHS?

Sit down and make a list of your top strengths among:

Experience

Talents

Soft skills

Education/training



Prepare examples

Focus on
Ability to follow directions
Team working
Problem solving
Etc.

WHAT ARE YOUR WEAKNESSES?

Remember: turn negative into positive!

Show that you are aware of your weakness and what you have done to overcome it

Show that you are **able to improve yourself**

Example → “My greatest weakness is that I am afraid to fail.
But as I fail, I learn from my mistakes.”

Don't forget to share examples

HOW DO YOU DEAL WITH PRESSURE OR STRESSFUL SITUATIONS?

What you do when work gets stressful?

Do you stay calm under pressure?

Or do you have a difficult time in stressful situations?

Share examples of how you succeeded despite being in a stressful situation, or of how you problem-solved to resolve the issue that caused stress

If you're interviewing for a high-pressure position, the interviewer will want to know that you can deal with the stress.

“I actually work better under pressure, and I've found that I enjoy working in a challenging environment”

DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR ME?

The last question at a job interview is usually one about what you want to know about the job and the company.

Be ready with a list of questions to ask.

You may seem disinterested if there isn't anything you want to learn more about.

- *Can you share more about the day-to-day responsibilities of this position?* ←
- *What's a typical day like?* ←
- *Why is the position available?* ←
- *How many people work in this department?* ←
- *Do you have a policy for helping new members of the team get on board?* ←
- *When can I expect to hear from you?* ←
- *Would you like a list of references?* ←
- *What are the next steps in the hiring process?* ←

WHAT ARE YOUR GOALS FOR THE FUTURE?

When you respond to questions about your future goals, it's a good idea to mesh your objectives with what the company might offer as a career path



Make sure your goals involve staying with this company for more than a short-term basis

“My long term goals involve growing with a company where I can continue to learn, take additional responsibilities and contribute as much as I can....”

Week #8 Assignment



Shoot a video of yourself while you answer **each** of the above questions making sure you dress and act as if you were at a *real job interview!*



IDIOM OF THE WEEK

<<A WHALE OF A TIME>>

To enjoy yourself very much

→ We had a whale of a time during our holiday last summer.

Invent a sentence
of your own
using this idiom!



Final review assignment

Interview challenge

Please schedule a Skype appointment with your tutor in which you will pretend to be at a real job interview.

You will be asked all of the above questions plus more questions according to the situation.

Make sure you follow all my tips and tricks and put in practice everything you have learnt.

Act as if you were talking to a recruiter or HR manager, don't be shy and take your time to prepare everything in advance...**THE TIME HAS COME!**

