# How to Interview Like a Rockstar



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Learn Tonight What Really Impresses Recruiters...

In a perfect world, we'd get feedback after each interview to let us know how we did. Wouldn't that be nice? If you said something wrong or forgot to mention something important, you'd know how to do better next time. I'm certain that in this imaginary world, it would only take us a few tries before we'd really WOW a recruiter and get moved on to the next round (and ultimately land a great job).

But, in the world we live in...

- \* we don't know how we really do on interviews
  - ...because we don't get feedback from recruiters
    - ...and without feedback we don't improve (or improvement is painfully slow)

It doesn't have to be this way!

The best thing you can do is be proactive and learn what really works to WOW recruiters. Join me tonight as I teach you the secrets about How to Interview like a Rockstar.

#### **Steps to Success**

- The Phone Screen
- Getting Ready
- The Waiting Game
- Your Big Moment
- The After Party

## **The Phone Screen**

- Be available to pick up calls from recruiters
- Make a good first impression
- Have energy and enthusiasm
- Walk while you talk
- Don't use a speakerphone

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## **Prepping & Primping**

- Research the interviewers on LinkedIn and everywhere else
- Know your accomplishments (SAR's)
- Prepare questions to ask
- Practice the commute
- Reschedule when sick

#### **Dress to Impress**

- Ask the coordinator whether you would be overdressed in a suit
- Don't wear too much makeup or jewelry
- Don't wear silly shoes
- Wear a swatch of the company's logo color
- Aim to feel like a million bucks

#### **The Waiting Game**

- Don't arrive too early or late
- Review your resume while you wait
- Look around and listen for happy, frustrated or sad sounds
- Read the paraphernalia
- Don't bug the receptionist

#### **Interview Gotchas**

- Don't have a fishy handshake have a firm but not crippling handshake
- Ask permission to take notes, drink water and use electricity
- Turn your cell phone off not just on vibrate
- If you notice that you're chewing gum, get rid of it discreetly
- Beware of sports, politics and religion discussions
- Remember to demonstrate passion
- Be very flexible if you are asked to wait
- Have consistent answers for reasons for leaving & gaps
- Don't bash former employers
- Don't be over-confident or under-confident
- Don't even think about lying it won't work
- Make sure you understand body language no-no's
- You must maintain good eye contact
- Eliminate phrases such as "Like I said", "To Be Honest", "I don't mind" and "It's no Problem
- You should be interviewing them as well
- Don't let your guard down with interviewers who make you feel comfortable
- The only way to calm your nerves is to practice interviewing

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## **Interview Questions**

- Know your answers to these questions:
  - Tell me about yourself
  - The dreaded weakness question
  - The salary question
  - o What kind of tree would you be?
  - All of the Top 12 Interview Questions Exposed

## **Smiling is Contagious!**

• If you smile, your interviewer can't help but smile back

# **Afterthoughts**

- Expect more than one interview round
- Send memorable thank you notes to everyone by mail or email
- Watch out for smalltalk in the hallway
- Prep your references
- Beware of the Never Ending Interview as you are continuously being evaluated

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