

ACING JOB INTERVIEWS (Landing your Dream Job)

“One important key to success is self-confidence. An important key to self confidence is preparation.”

- Arthur Ashe

- Miss Bukola would be discussing how to build your confidence for a job interview through her experiences.

- No matter your experience with job interviews, you'd always be nervous and nervousness doesn't mean you'd not get the job.

-Miss Bukola

DO YOU KNOW THAT?

- Landing that dream job is more than just showing up; it's about standing out.

- No two job interviews will ever be the same, but a little self-reflection can help.

• There are 3C's to landing a job.

-Mr Ubong

No two interviews are never the same. They all have different interview styles.

- Mr Ubong

THREE C's TO LANDING A JOB

-Character

-Competence

-Confidence

INTERVIEW 101: BREAKING IT DOWN

The Lowdown on different interview styles (from zoom calls to IRL meetups)

What do you think employers are looking for:

- Etiquette

- Composure

- Character

- Ability to hold Conversations.

- Looking out for Culture fit of the company

It's advisable to be flexible with different conference call softwares

Be able to present yourself in accordance with the value of the company

PREP LIKE A PRO

Stalking the company (in a good way!) and decoding the job description.

- Crafting your personal brand and elevator pitch.
- Prepping answers for the usual suspects (those tricky questions they always ask)

Always do research about the organization you're going for an interview for.

Reach out to people that work or have worked in the organization to gather the information and knowledge about the environment of the company, so you know if it is a good fit for your morals and value

Elevator Pitch is a brief way to sell or introduce yourself with a duration of at least 30secs. It's important that you have a skill you can sell.

You need to be prepared for behavioral questions.

You can use Chat gpt to help propose questions both behavioral and structural to help you prepare better. By posting or sharing the Interview offer Letter.

BODY LANGUAGE: THE UNSPOKEN FLEX

- First impressions that hit different.
- Nailing non-verbal cues: Eye contact, posture, and that confident vibe.
- Speaking with clarity and confidence: How to sound like you know your stuff.

When you go into an interview, sell your story like you own it and always smile.

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You can look at their forehead, so you seem believable.

Speak clearly and do not look down on your experience.

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DODGING CURVEBALLS

- How to handle off-the-wall questions like a pro.
- Addressing that resume gap or lack of experience without breaking a sweat.

- Tips to keep your cool when the pressure is on.

-Get to know information about your career space.

-You can ask them to reiterate to buy time.

SELLING YOURSELF WITHOUT CRINGE

- Showing off your skills even if your experience is low-key.
- Using the STAR (Situation, Task, Action, Result) method for structured answers.
- Demonstrate your values, achievements and successes.

Situation: Explain the task at hand.

Task: State the problem that needed to be solved.

Action: State the action you provided to solve the problem or task.

Result: State the outcome of the event after implementing your actions or solutions to the problem.

CAR:

Context

Action

Result

Try to follow up. But don't be a negative stalker

You can also ask for feedback from your interviewers, so you can get better.

“The important thing is not to stop questioning”

-Albert Einstein

TYPES OF QUESTIONS YOU CAN ASK:

Questions about their Culture.

Questions about their everyday working environment.

It is not about what you know and who you know but it is about who knows you.

- Rio Penn-Grice

NETWORK BUILDING

It is very important to build your network. Always share your vision and goals to your network so that they can push those kinds of opportunities towards you, when they come across them.

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Your weakness should not sound negative. Try to spin your weakness to come out positive.

Plus, always provide active and plausible solutions that are realistic, that you do to curb or improve that weakness. Always end your story with a happy ending.

-Mr Ubong

Using proper professional lingual, would help to sell yourself properly.

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Link to the How to Network Video

[Generation Z: This Is How We Network | Rio Penn-Grice | TEDxBedford](#)