COMMON INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

In 30 seconds introduce yourself and answer the following questions:

• When was the last time you were in a job interview?
• How did you feel about that interview?
Topic: Common interview questions

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

• Use at least six related words

• Create simple sentences about the topic

• Have a conversation about the topic

• Avoid some common grammar and pronunciation mistakes
Let’s start!

Watch the video and answer the given questions in 60 seconds.

Do job interviews make you nervous?
List some tips to have a successful job interview.

Source: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eKugwuR1ICg
Vocabulary

Pair Work: Student A reads a definition from column A. Student B matches it with a word from column B, and makes a sentence.

**A**

a. to officially tell somebody that you are leaving your job, an organization, etc.
b. a written description of the exact work and responsibilities of a job.
c. the fact that somebody/something is able to do something.
d. to choose somebody for a job or position of responsibility.
e. the series of jobs that a person has in a particular area of work, usually involving more responsibility as time passes.
f. always telling the truth, and never stealing or cheating.

**B**

1. **Ability** (n) /əˈbɪləti/
2. **Resign** (v) /rɪˈzaɪn/
3. **Honest** (adj) /ˈɒnɪst/
4. **Career** (n) /kəˈriə(r)/
5. **Job description** (n) /dʒəˈskrɪpʃən/
6. **Appoint** (v) /əˈpɔɪnt/

**Example:** She started her **career** as an English teacher.
Grammar

Structure:
S + decide/try/want + to + V( Inf.)

Examples:
The manager decided to fire Sam for dishonesty.
I want to find a highly paid job in banking.

Make a sentence using the given structure.

Suggestions:
- decide/ ask/ the boss/ for a raise
- decide/ quit the job/ low salary
- try/ answer/ all of the interviewer’s questions
- The interviewer/ try/ make/ the candidate/ feel/ comfortable
- want/ know/ some tips/ job interview
- want/ get/ a promotion/work
Conversation

Pair work: Choose one role to discuss with your friend.

**Student A:** You are going to have a job interview next week and want to ask Student B how to answer some common interview questions in order to get the job.

**Student B:** You are Student A’s friend. You are also a human resources director of a company so you have lots of experience in interviewing.

**Suggestions:**

1. Briefly introduce name, education and job experience.
2. Mention your strengths that relate to the position.
3. Do not say anything negative about your last job and do not give too specific reasons.
4. Talk about your realistic goals relating to the position and the company.
5. Never say “no”, have some questions prepared.

**Common interview questions:**

1. Tell me a little bit about yourself.
2. Why should we hire you?
3. Why did you decide to leave your last job?
4. What are your goals for the future?
5. Do you have any questions for me?

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Assessments

Here are some comments on your performance

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Feel free to ask if you have any questions!
Wrap-up

✔ Words related to common interview questions
✔ Structure:
  \[ S + \text{decide/ try/ want} + \text{to} + \text{V( Inf.)} \]
✔ Discussion about common interview questions

Please do your homework in the downloadable outline from the website!
## Homework

Complete your mission and find more in related lessons.

### Your mission

- Take note of what you need to improve (Vocabulary, Grammar and Pronunciation)
- Search for related lessons in the course browser
- Take those lessons

### Recommendation

- Present perfect verbs (#0823)
- What is your job? (#t0506)
- Careers & professions- vocabulary (#0013)
- Careers & professions- word search. (#0014)