Interview Questions Worksheet

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After reviewing the interview chapter in the book and associated online resources, answer these potential interview questions.

- 1. So, tell me a little about yourself.
- 2. What do you like to do in your free time?
- 3. What do you see yourself doing 5 years from now?
- 4. Why are you interested in this position?
- 5. What do you like the most about your current position?
- 6. What is the most challenging aspect of your current position? Or What do you hate about your current position?
- 7. What aspect of (insert what you do) do you hate/What aspect of this job appeals to you least?
- 8. How do you work under pressure?
- 9. What do you consider your strengths for the kind of position you are looking for?
- 10. What do you think your weaknesses would be for this position / the kind of position you are seeking?
- 11. Describe a situation where you made a big mistake on the job.?
- 12. Tell me about the last time you lost your cool.
- 13. Describe the worst boss you have ever worked with.
- 14. Describe the types of people you have trouble getting along with.
- 15. Tell me about your approach to organization and time management.
- 16. Tell me about the last time you made a good decision.
- 17. Have you ever missed a deadline or failed to complete a project on time? Tell me about a situation when you failed to complete a project on time/missed a deadline.
- 18. Have you ever gone over budget?
- 19. Why are you looking for a job / Why are you leaving your current position?
- 20. What unique experience or qualifications separate you from other candidates?
- 21. What would your former boss/colleagues say about you?
- 22. Describe a situation when you were faced with problems or stresses at work that tested your coping skills. Or, How do you handle stress?
- 23. Give an example of a situation when you had to be quick to come to a decision.
- 24. Tell me about a time that you made a decision that you thought was a good decision at the time but turned out not to be.
- 25. Give me an example of a large project or task you had to complete and tell me about your progress completing it.
- 26. Tell me about a time when you saw something that needed to be done and you stepped up and took responsibility for getting it done?
- 27. What is your greatest achievement? Or What project or task would you consider your most significant accomplishment so far? This should be a work-related example.
- 28. Describe a situation in the past year in which you had to deal with someone at work who was very angry with you.

- 29. What are your long-range and short-range goals and objectives?
- 30. How do you plan to achieve your career goals?
- 31. Why should I hire you?
- 32. How do you deal with difficult people?
- 33. In what ways have your college experiences prepared you for a career?
- 34. Why are you interested in this segment of the entertainment industry?
- 35. Describe a contribution you have made to a project on which you worked.
- 36. In what ways do you think you can make a contribution to our organization?
- 37. What qualities should a successful manager or leader possess?
- 38. Tell me about an occasion when you disagreed with a supervisor's decision or policy.
- 39. If you could do so, how would you plan your academic studies differently?
- 40. What two or three things would be most important to you in your job?
- 41. What are your thoughts about relocating?
- 42. Are you willing to travel?
- 43. If you didn't work in theatre or entertainment what would you do?
- 44. Why _____ (costumes, lighting, SM, etc.)?
- 45. Describe your process of ______. (SM, design, a new project, etc.)
- 46. How do you use technology to accomplish your work?
- 47. What new technology are you especially excited about?
- 48. Have you used XYZ equipment or software?
- 49. What are your salary requirements?
- 50. Is there something you would like to tell me that I have failed to ask?