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?