

INTERVIEWING

INTERVIEWING IS THE HARDEST PART ABOUT OF THE JOB SEARCH.

This is the first impression the interviewer has of you and your work. You and your work needs to be professional looking. You need to dress the part of a designer, you need to act like a designer, and your portfolio needs to look professional.

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DRESSING THE PART OF A DESIGNER

When interviewing for a job you need to look professional. That means no jeans, no t-shirt and no sneakers. Your clothes should be clean and ironed (if necessary).

FOR MEN:

1. A button down shirt (not a polo) and nice pair of pants
2. Preferably not khakis, but a suit pant or black pants. if you feel the company needs more, add a tie.

FOR WOMAN:

1. A button down shirt and a nice pair of slacks, or a pant suit.
NOTHING revealing!

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DRESSING THE PART OF A DESIGNER

Not only should you have nice clothes, but you should also be groomed and showered. NEVER show up to an interview not showered or looking like you just came back from a party or rolled out of bed.

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ACT LIKE A DESIGNER

Be able to talk about your designs in a professional manor and not like you are talking to your best friend. Try not to use any swear words and slang. Remember you are interviewing for a professional job, not to work at McDonalds.

**TRY TO NOT USE WORDS LIKE, LIKE OR WHATEVER,
I DUNNO, ETC.**

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PORTFOLIO NEEDS TO BE PROFESSIONAL

Your portfolio needs to be professional looking. No bent corners or papers falling out of the portfolio. It needs to look the part of the job that you are trying to get.

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INTERVIEWING IS HARD BECAUSE THE INTERVIEWEE IS ALWAYS ON THE DEFENSIVE IN THE INTERVIEW.

The interviewer is always asking the questions and directing the conversation. You need to try and even the scale of the interviewing. You can do this by taking the lead of the conversation and maybe even asking them questions.

Don't be afraid or nervous when answering the questions. Be confident and positive when answering questions.

NEVER START A SENTENCE WITH A NEGATIVE.

If you are negative about your-self or your design, then the interviewer will see you as not being confident.



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When showing your portfolio keep talking about your design and keep moving through your portfolio. This will keep the power of the interview in your hands.

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4 QUESTIONS THEY ALWAYS ASK.

1. Why are you here?
2. What makes you different then the others?
3. What kind of person are you?
4. What can you do for us?

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WHY ARE YOU HERE?

1. How did you find out about us?
2. What are your goals?
3. Where do you see yourself in five years?
4. Tell me about your self ?
5. Where did you go to school? Why?

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WHAT MAKES YOU DIFFERENT THEN THE OTHERS?

1. Best Qualities? This is your time to shine. tell them all about you and what makes you better than the other candidates.
2. Worst Qualities? Try to spin this into a positive. (i.e. Like to work to much, so I stay late)
3. What accomplishments give you satisfaction?
4. What is your best design quality?
5. What part of design are you best at?
6. What part of design is your weak point?
7. Give me an example of a challenge that you had to overcome in design and how you did this?

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WHAT KIND OF PERSON ARE YOU?

(is your personality going to fit in here,
are you easy to work with)

1. Why did you leave your last job?
2. What would people say about you?
3. What are your interests?



WHAT CAN YOU DO FOR US?

(what are your skills, how well do you fit in,
and how much do you know.)

1. How long have you been out of school?
2. What did you do at your last job?
3. Do you know what this job requires, are you up to it?
4. What programs are you best at?
5. What is your favorite part of designing?

JOB INTERVIEWING CAN BE AN UNNERVING EXPERIENCE, BUT IF YOU KNOW HOW TO HANDLE SOME OF THE STICKIEST SITUATIONS ENCOUNTERED IN INTERVIEWING, YOU CAN BE THAT MUCH MORE CONFIDENT. HERE ARE 10 OF THE STICKIEST.

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1. The Bad Interviewer
2. The "Tell Me about Yourself" Question
3. The "Weakness" Question
4. The "Why should I hire you?" Question
5. "Off-the-wall" Questions, also known as "Wild Card" or "No-Right-Answer" Questions
6. Illegal Questions
7. Salary Questions
8. Questions about Being Terminated from a Previous Job
9. Questions About Reasons for Leaving a Current Job
10. Questions About the Future