

MY INTERVIEW PREPARATION



Use this “cheat sheet” to prep yourself for each interview you do. Fill it out beforehand and read through once before you begin the interview. Don’t read it during the interview!

1. Basic information

Company name:
Interviewer / contact:
Industry:
Role:

2. Research: Write key findings from your research on the company and industry.

Company values:
Company goals:
Company culture:
What employees say about the company:

3. Question prep: Write notes for your answers to typical questions. You can think of your own or use the question bank at the end of this document.

4. Question prep: Write 3 questions that [you will ask the interviewer](#).
Make up your own or use the bank at the end of this document.

5. My interview outfit. What are you going to wear? Write it down here.

6. Pre-interview prep checklist:

- My video background is a blank wall, office space, or blurred.
- I meditated or took a walk to relax.
- I know how to sign in to the interview (and I've downloaded any necessary apps).
- My internet connection is stable and I have backup power just in case.



QUESTION BANK

Interviewer

These are common questions that an interviewer may ask you. Pick at least 5 and prepare your responses beforehand.

- What interests you about this role / our company?
- What motivates you?
- What type of work environment do you prefer?
- What are your goals in the future?
- What are your strengths and weaknesses?
- What makes you unique?
- How would your current employer, colleagues, classmates, or best friend describe you?
- Could you tell me about yourself and describe your background in brief?
- Do you prefer working independently or on a team?
- When you're balancing multiple projects, how do you keep yourself organized?
- What did you do in the last year to improve your knowledge?
- Tell me about a time that you achieved a difficult goal.
- Tell me about a time that you had to resolve a conflict with someone.

QUESTION BANK

Candidate

These are questions you could ask an interviewer. Pick 3 and have them ready for your interview.

- What does a typical day or week look like in this role?
- What are the most immediate projects that need to be addressed?
- What are the biggest challenges that someone in this position would face?
- What does your onboarding process look like?
- What learning and professional development opportunities are available to your employees?
- Are there opportunities for advancement within the company?
- What interests you about this role / our company?
- *What are the most important things you'd like to see someone accomplish in the first 30, 60, and 90 days on the job?*
- *What metrics or goals will my performance be evaluated against?*
- *What is the performance review process like here? How often would I be formally reviewed?*
- *What's your favorite part about working here?*
- *What are the biggest challenges the company is facing today?*
- *Can you tell me about the team I'll be working with?*
- *How has the organization overcome challenges with remote work?*