

**Job interviews can be nerve-wracking, but being prepared is the key to success. By strategising and then practising how you'll respond to common interview questions, you'll build confidence and be ready to stand out as the ideal candidate for the job.**

### **“Tell me about yourself.”**

Keep your answer short and sweet. Talk about things you're good at and what you want to do in the job you're applying for. Tell them about your interests and any past experiences you've had that makes you a great fit for the job, such as helping dad fix an old car or baking cakes with an aunty.

### **“What are your strengths and weaknesses?”**

When discussing your strengths, give real-life examples to back up what you're saying. When talking about things you're not so good at, it's okay to be honest, but be sure to talk about what you're doing to improve.

### **“Why do you want to work for this company?”**

Learn as much as you can about the company. Think about why you like what they do and what they believe in. Show them how good you are for the job by talking about how your skills match what they need.

### **“Can you describe a challenge you've faced and how you overcame it?”**

Choose a good story that explains how you solved a problem, bounced back when things got tough, or changed your plans to succeed. Make sure you explain what happened (the situation), what you needed to do (the task), what you did (action you took), and what happened because of it (the result).

### **“How do you handle stressful situations or tight deadlines?”**

Think about a time when things got really busy, but you stayed calm and got your work done. How did you decide what to do first? How did you keep everything in order and stay on track, even when it felt stressful? Tell the interviewer about these strategies, how you are able to solve problems and kept working, even when things get tough.

### **“Why should we hire you?”**

Highlight your unique qualities, qualifications, experiences, and achievements that set you apart from other people going for the same job. Let them know how enthusiastic you are for the role and how excited you are to contribute to the company's success.

### **“Describe a time you worked in a team.”**

Think about a time you worked well with others. You might have received a high grade on a school project or won an important match with your local sports team. Describe how you helped, how you talked with your team mates, and what you achieved together. Show how you were a good team player and how everyone working together made something brilliant happen.

### **“Do you have any questions for us?”**

Prepare thoughtful questions that demonstrate your interest in the company and the role. Ask about specific projects, company values, career development opportunities, or recent news to show your engagement and curiosity.