

# Practicing Interview Questions

This lesson is designed to help students learn that no matter what types of jobs they are interested in—cashier at a grocery store, barista at a coffee shop, or nanny for a family in Europe—practicing interview questions will help them be better prepared.

## OBJECTIVES

Students will practice answering interview questions to be better prepared for real world interviews.

## ACTIVITIES

### PART 1

#### Answering Mock Questions on Paper

Have students first take time to write down answers to the following Mock Interview questions:

1. Tell us about yourself.
2. What are your strengths and weaknesses?
3. What makes you a good fit for this position?
4. What did you like best and least about your last job (if you have had a job in the past)?
5. Tell me about a time that you were criticized and how you reacted.
6. How do you keep yourself organized and on task?
7. What kind of work environment are you looking for?
8. What are three words your friends, family, and previous coworkers would use to describe you?
9. What qualities do you believe make a good leader?
10. Do you have any questions for us?

NOTE: Copies of page 2 can be printed out for students to use.

### PART 2

#### Practice Answering Mock Questions with Partner

Have students break out into groups of two and take turns asking each other the same interview questions, pretending to be in a real interview. Use the worksheet on page two for this activity.

Grade Level: 7 - 12

#### MEFA PATHWAY LINKS FOR LESSON:

- Resume Builder

#### SUBJECT AREAS:

- Job Search

#### MATERIALS NEEDED:

- Pen and Paper

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# LESSON PLAN

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