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Getting Ready for a Job Interview

You've got your first **job interview** soon! How can you prepare for it? Don't **panic**! All you need to do is remember a few things and prepare yourself for the big event!

First of all, sit down and **study your CV**. Take some notes like you were getting ready for a big exam. Study your experiences and jot down the things you have accomplished.

Next, think about **your ambitions**. What would you like to accomplish in the future? What do you think of yourself? How do others see you? Think of a **few adjectives that describe you** well.

Sit down in front of a **mirror** and practice describing yourself out loud, since one of the **most common interview questions** is "Tell me about yourself". Therefore, be prepared to do that! And you need to give a balanced and succinct answer. Be business-like and don't talk about personal feelings, family relationships, politics or religion.

Try to relate something specific from your CV to **the job description** as this will make it clear to the interviewer why they should hire you for the job. It is also important to find out as much as you can about the company you are interviewing for, as it will let the interviewer know that you are very enthusiastic and knowledgeable about the job and the company.

Prepare all you need to take with you the night before the big day, like **certificates** or **references**. Decide what you are going to wear the night before, too. Wear something you feel comfortable in, but that is suitable for the occasion. If you feel good about yourself, that usually shows. Be sure you leave home in time to get to the interview well in advance. Punctuality is an important quality. Don't forget to **smile** and look your interviewer straight in the eyes.

One last bit of advice! Do a mock interview with a friend before so that you can practice answering the most common interview questions. Also consider that at the end of the interview, the interviewer usually asks if you have any questions. So prepare a couple.



Some **suitable questions** might be: "How will my performance be evaluated?"; "What are the opportunities for advancement?"; "What makes this company a great place to work?"; "What is the company culture?". And so on.

Finally, be confident about yourself and your abilities. If you are, the interviewer will be sure to notice!

