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Congratulations! You have successfully made your way through all the initial stages of shortlisting processes such as CV Screening and Group Discussion. Now comes the most critical stage of your final selection process-Personal Interview. Here you cannot take any chance as everything completely depends on your individual performance, i.e., how you answer to the common interview questions. The situation becomes even more challenging if you are a fresher and you are facing your first job interview. Therefore, here are some common fresher interview questions and answers to help you prepare and ace your job interview.

Q1. Tell us about yourself.

Here you are definitely not going to tell the interviewer about your favorite dish, movie or actor! The interviewer asks this question to analyze how confident you are and how you present yourself. The best way to answer this common interview question is to tell the hiring manager about your education and family background. However, this should not look like your life's story and you should quickly concentrate on sharing a bit about your strengths that build the platform for further discussion about your suitability for the job opening.



- Don't narrate what is already mentioned in your CV
- Focus more on talking about your achievements and learning
- Keep it short

Q2. What are your strengths?

This is one of the most important fresher interview questions as the employer analysis your strengths for the job role and tries to understand the challenges you might face in the new job role. Therefore, be cautious about stating any of your strengths or weaknesses. The good idea is to share strengths that are related to the job. One such interview answer sample for an electrical engineer job interview would be to talk about your expertise in evaluating electrical products, systems and, components if you are confident to answer any question related to it. In the end, also saying that you are a quick learner adds value to your strengths.



Q3. What are your weaknesses?

It becomes critical when you have to share your weaknesses, that too, with your hiring manager. However, it is never recommended to say that you do not have any weakness as it makes you look arrogant. Therefore, choose a weakness that doesn't impact your current job role. For example, you are afraid to sleep alone can be your weakness!

- Never brag about the strengths and skills that you cannot justify.
- Always elaborate your strengths and weaknesses with some quick examples.



Q4. What are your hobbies?

In your fresher interview questions, you can even expect some basic interview questions like what are your hobbies. Now if you think why the employer is interested in knowing about your hobbies, it is an important interview question. The interviewer tries to gauge about your personality, your energy level and how fit you can be for the company's culture. Therefore, share something that adds value to your skills such as travelling and meeting people if you are appearing for a client-meeting role.

- Avoid sharing hobbies that can give a bad impression such as gambling
- Sharing a mix of personal and professional interests shows you a balanced person in life.



Q5. What do you know about our company?

It is one of the most important interview questions that is usually asked by a hiring manager in the beginning of the conversation to understand how much you are aware about the organization where you wish to work. Therefore, the best way to ace this interview question is to do a proper research about the company, read online about company's latest updates, understand its business, and above all, read thoroughly the job description.



Q6. Why we should hire you?

With this tricky interview question and answer, the employer wants to see your ability to pitch your skills and convincing power. Moreover, this interview question is an opportunity to show the interviewer your willingness for the job. The best way to answer this fresher interview question is to talk about your skills and strengths that match the job role.

- Share strengths and skills that are relevant for the job description, but keep it short.
- Wait and elaborate if the interviewer wants to know more about particular instances to validate your points.



Q7. Why do you want to work with this company?

Companies mostly ask this common interview question to freshers to see what they want and how much they know about the company they are appearing for. Therefore, it is always recommended to know about the company's background, values, operations, services, and other important details.

Tip:

Correlate your career goals with the company's values and state how working with the company can help you enhance your skills and knowledge.



Q8. Where do you see yourself 5 years from now?

As a first job interview, answering this interview question becomes difficult at times. Of course, at this stage, we are more concerned about our first year of the job and planning about 5 years seems daunting to many freshers. Don't worry, here's how you can ace this fresher interview question. The idea of asking this question is to check two things mainly. Firstly, your willingness to stay longer with the company, and secondly, how well planned you are about your career goals.

- Never give an impression that you want this job just to gain experience and then you wish for something bigger in near future.
- Keep your answer aligned with the current job role to show your interest in the company.



Q9. What are your expectations?

As a fresh graduate, talking about your first salary is exciting, but a difficult job. The best way to answer this common interview question is to do some research in advance so that you can confidently take a reasonable range.

- Never ask for either a too less or too high salary package as this might cost you the job at both the ends.
- In case you still do not have any idea about a reasonable salary for the job role, you can simply answer to accept the package as per industry standards. This leaves much scope for the negotiation at the time of final offer letter.



Q10. Do you have any questions for us?

Most of the job interviews close at this basic interview question where the interviewer leaves scope for you to clear your doubts. Moreover, asking questions show that you are a confident and focused person who wants clarity for his/her job. Many fresh graduates hesitate to ask questions from the interviewer, but it is always recommended to ask some relevant questions.

- Prepare a list of questions in advance that can help you get familiarize with the job role.
- Ask intelligent questions that show your curiosity to know more about the company, its policies, people, any specific skill you need to acquire for the given role, etc.
- Avoid asking irrelevant questions such as the duration of lunch hours, how often the company organizes parties, or how soon you will be promoted to the next level!
- Preparation is the best way to succeed. Hope this list of some important fresher interview questions and answers will help you to stand out in your job interview.

Examples of Professional Questions & Answers

As a Java professional, every fresher should do some basic preparation before attending a job interview. It is imperative to know the latest technologies, industry buzzwords, and be ready to answer some commonly asked Java Interview Questions.

To help you prepare for your technical job interview, we have curated a list of popular technical questions for Java professionals. This list of common Java Interview Questions will help you to test your knowledge and face interviews with confidence.

Let's prepare these sample questions and answers:



Q1) Java is platform-independent. Explain why.

Java is known as platform-independent due to its byte codes that can efficiently run on any system irrespective of its operating system.

Q2) How will you define encapsulation?

Encapsulation is a mechanism that connects code (methods) with data (variables) as a single unit.

Q3) Explain why Java is not 100% object-oriented.

This is because it makes the use of 8 primitive data types that are not objects. These data types include float, Boolean, int, byte, double, char, short and long.

Q4) What do you know about access modifier?

In Java, access modifier is a special keyword that helps to restrict the access of a constructor, class, data member and method in another class.

Q5) Explain constructor chaining in Java.

Constructor chaining is the process of calling one constructor from another with respect to the current object.

Q6) How will you define a Class Loader in Java?

The Java Class Loader is a subset of Java Virtual Machine (JVM) used for loading the class files.

Q7) How can you define what is abstraction?

Abstraction is the quality of dealing with ideas instead of events. In Java, it deals with hiding the details and showing only the vital information to the user.

Q8) What is inheritance in Java? Explain.

Inheritance is a concept where the properties of a particular class can be inherited by another class. It allows the reuse of the code and establishes a relationship between different classes.

Q9) What is object cloning?

Object cloning in Java is defined as the process of creating an exact copy of an object.

Q10) What is Spring in Java?

Spring is defined as an application framework and inversion of control container for Java platform.





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