

12 Things You Should Never Say In A Job Interview



Other than submitting a resume with typos, the quickest way to be filtered out from consideration for a new job is making an avoidable interview mistake, say something you shouldn't have said.

Hiring managers use the interview to gauge your fit for the job, your creativity, your ability to think on your feet, your emotional intelligence, and your attitude. Your tone and voice will be watched closely, so be aware of these 13 things you should never say in a job interview:

1. "I'm really nervous."

No company wants to hire someone who lacks confidence.

2. "Let's talk money."

Focusing on the salary can make potential employers feel that you are only there for the money and not for any deeper reasons for that particular position.

3. "My weakness is work too hard."

First, don't volunteer to answer about your weaknesses until you are being asked. And if so, don't tell your weakness like it is masked with strengths. You should tell what your true weaknesses are (it's okay everyone has their own weaknesses), but make sure you know what to say next to tell about how you are doing in overcoming your weaknesses. You can be truly impressive when you can answer this question.

4. “I really need this job!”

Do not give an impression to employers that you are just merely need a job. Your desperation may be a sign of your weakness. Be confidence and be passionate in talking about reasons you want to work in the field but not about the job.

5. “My current boss/employer is horrible.”

Do not badmouth during the interview. Same thing, people who listen to your critics may judge you in doing so on them one day.

6. “I need...”

Don't make the conversation all about your needs. Company wants someone who can fulfil their need as they are paying them to do so.

7. “Do you know when we'll be finished?”

Don't turn off the interviewer by giving the impression that you're in a hurry or have somewhere else to be.

8. “I love the perks you offer.”

Don't create the image you care more about the benefits offered by the company than you do about contributing to the employer's success.”

9. “I'd rather not say.”

Unless the interviewer asks you an inappropriate or illegal question, or something that makes you feel extremely uncomfortable, you should always answer their queries. You will just look unprepared with rejection to answer their questions.

10. “How much paid time off do I get in the first year?”

Ask this type of question only when you are able to decide on the job (chances higher to be accepted). For the first stage of interview, you are just someone being considered by the company but not the one who is considering the job. Give full opportunity for the company to decide on you before you decide to join them with other consideration such as holidays. It should not be your priority during the first interview.

11. “S—, d—, f—, etc.”

Don't curse, anytime, even others are doing so. You represent yourself, use other words instead of swearing.

12. “I don't have any questions for you.”

Always ask question, you may look like unprepared for the employers with no questions.