

# How To Interview For A Job...NOT!

*Vice presidents and personnel directors of the one hundred largest corporations were asked to describe their most unusual experience when interviewing prospective employees.*

- ☺ A job applicant challenged the interviewer to arm wrestle.
- ☺ Applicant wore a Walkman, explaining that she could listen to the interviewer and music at the same time.
- ☺ Candidate fell and broke arm during the interview.
- ☺ Candidate explained that her long-term goal was to replace the interviewer.
- ☺ Candidate said he never finished high school because he was kidnapped and kept in a closet in Mexico.
- ☺ Balding candidate excused himself and returned to the office a few minutes later wearing a hairpiece.
- ☺ Applicant said if he was hired he would demonstrate his loyalty by having the corporate logo tattooed on his forearm.
- ☺ Applicant interrupted interview to phone her therapist for advice on how to answer specific interview questions.
- ☺ Candidate brought large dog to interview.
- ☺ Applicant refused to sit down and insisted on being interviewed standing up.
- ☺ Candidate dozed off during interview.
- ☺ Candidate announced she hadn't had lunch and proceeded to eat a hamburger and fries in the interviewer's office.

The employers were also asked to list the "most unusual" questions that have been asked by job candidates.

- ☺ What is it that you people do at this company?
- ☺ What is the company motto?
- ☺ Why aren't you in a more interesting business?
- ☺ What are the zodiac signs of all the board members?
- ☺ Why do you want references?
- ☺ Do I have to dress for the next interview?
- ☺ I know this is off the subject, but will you marry me?
- ☺ Will the company move my rock collection from California to Maryland?.
- ☺ Will the company pay to relocate my horse?
- ☺ Does your health insurance cover pets?
- ☺ Would it be a problem if I'm angry most of the time?
- ☺ Does your company have a policy regarding concealed weapons?
- ☺ Do you think the company would be willing to lower my pay?
- ☺ Why am I here?
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