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5 INTERVIEW TIPS

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Being on the spot can be challenging and really intimidating, especially if you're not a naturally born public speaker. If that's indeed not your forte, I presume that you do not particularly enjoy interviews. However, as we all know, they are inevitable. Therefore, here are five great tips:

1 - PREPARATION IS KEY.

Not only will preparation help reduce your stress, but it is also essential to maximize the presentation of your potential. Indeed, a beforehand introspection analysis can be helpful. In this train of thoughts, here is a non-exhaustive list of things you can do:

- Identify how your past experiences can highlight your ability to occupy the role you are interviewing for.
- Make a list of questions you could be asked and practice answering them out loud.
- Identify your nervous tics while you are practicing and try to eliminate them.
- Reflect on the past interactions you had with members of the company/firm.
- If in the field of law, use the Advanced Research tool on Lexis+™ to inform yourself of some of the firm's recent cases.

2- IDENTIFY YOUR TRANSFERABLE SKILLS.

If you are interviewing for your first professional job, you may not have any experience in the field. However, do not underestimate your other experiences: use them to explain how you acquired transferable skills such as problem solving, for example.



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3- TAKE A BREATH.

Do not rush your answers. Take your time. It is normal to be thrown off by a question. Take a little moment to think about your answer. This advice also applies to the answer itself: do not speak too fast. Make sure your interviewer is following you.

4- ANSWER THE QUESTION.

Nervosity can cause rambling. Therefore, the question is sometimes left with no real answer. Having a pre-constructed format to answer questions can be helpful to make sure that you stay concise and focused on what has been asked.

5 – YOUR TURN: ASK QUESTIONS.

Make sure to ask well thought out questions at the end of your interview. Not only does it show your interest, but it is also an opportunity to ask something you sincerely are curious about. However, make sure to have them prepared in advance and to have more than one, in case that some were already answered during the interview.

For precision and more useful tips, I invite you to consult Lynnea's [YT video](#)

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