

Dressing up for the Success Interview



Prepare and practice for an interview. Allow time for preparation for the big day. Remember that first impression is the last impression; the way an applicant look really does matter. It is important to consider the surroundings of the company granting you an interview. There is no reason to be over dressed or poorly dressed during this very significant day. In fact, it is a good rule of thumb to always dress appropriately for any situation. Some might say that the inner characteristics of the person matter more, but in reality, you only have one opportunity for a first impression. Make it count!

Although there are specific guidelines that can be followed, these does not apply to all states like New York for example, where people wear trendy up

people know. The rule of thumb should be to wear something that could boost more confidence.

Below are the top ten do's and don'ts during an interview:

- Avoid wild colored nail polish before the interview. The same goes with long nails that could easily turn off some conservative employers. These should be neat and very tidy looking.
- Never wear jewelry that rattles and jiggles as you speak and move. Try not to wear two or more rings or earrings. Piercing aside from the ears is also a no.
- Professional hairdo also counts
- If you are a woman, wear closed shoes. Heels are very appropriate as this gives more confidence to an individual and sense of respect is also provided once they see the person wearing them.

Remember that a good suit or dress brings more confidence as well. This will also allow more comfort and chance for the applicant to answer comfortably or with ease.

- Avoid short skirts for women. Wearing pants or leggings are a no, no during interviews.
- Wear the appropriate blazers just as long as they do not look fashion

- For men, a tie is still appropriate. Avoid using turtlenecks. If there is no suit and tie available, use a collared shirt or white long sleeves. Men must not use too much aftershave.
- Women should be using bags that are not too bright and conspicuous. These should be conservative and matching the dress.
- Any briefcase used must be in perfect condition.

The way a person looks equal the message he is trying to convey. During the interview, this can either become a plus factor for the applicant or big loss. Know for a fact that the way an applicant should look must be appealing, fashionable but not loud.

Consider the latest trends in the area or location where the prospective job is located. One aspect that is a part of how employer picks a new hire is based on the physical attributes of the applicant. From the way the hands were shaken, keeping an eye contact, the way the posture was maintained, the smile was delivered up to the manner of dressing is being rated already.

Regardless of your personal career background, skills, and underlying talents, if the first impression was never striking enough to make an outstanding appeal to the interviewers, nothing else counts.

This can be the potential employers' initial interpretation of how an applicant will do on the job. Whether that perception is "fair" is irrelevant. Do you want the job? Look the part and your chances for success are much greater!

Questions

1. How should you dress for an interview?
2. What should not wear during an interview?
3. What should men wear for an interview?
4. What should women wear for an interview?