

CHAPTER 8 · 3 EXERCISES

PREPARING FOR INTERVIEW

(most interviews are won before you walk in)

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TRY THIS 2 hours · before each interview

THE INTERVIEW RESEARCH SHEET

QUESTION	WHAT I FOUND
What does the organisation do, and for whom?	
What's changing for them right now (growth, problems, new services)?	
What does the team I'd join do, and what problem is this role solving?	
Who's interviewing me, and what's their background?	
What do they say their values are? Where's my evidence for each?	
Two things I could mention that show I've done my homework	

★ CORE ACTIVITY 60 minutes · in the lesson

THE QUESTION PREDICTOR

REQUIREMENT FROM THE ADVERT	LIKELY QUESTION	MY STAR STORY

Then add the questions almost every interview includes: "Tell me about yourself", "Why do you want this role?", "Why are you leaving your current job?", "What are your strengths and weaknesses?" and "Do you have any questions for us?"

TRY THIS 20 minutes, then practise daily

YOUR THIRTY-SECOND AND TWO-MINUTE VERSIONS

Tailor your thirty-second pitch to a real role, then write the two-minute version. Time yourself saying it. Then record it, listen back once, and cut anything that doesn't point towards this job. Practise it until it sounds like a conversation, not a speech.
