

ResumeEdge Reveals Top Ten Interview Blunders

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The resume services team from ResumeEdge, a Nelnet company and leading online provider of <u>resume writing services</u>, today released a new resource, "Top Ten Interview Blunders." People often spend countless hours working on their cover letter and resume to secure a coveted interview, but then make mistakes during the interview that can't be undone. This new guide focuses on preparing interviewees so they can shine during a job interview and avoid common blunders.

"One of the best ways to prepare for an interview is to make sure you are aware of and avoid the common pitfalls," said Nina Freier, director of ResumeEdge. "Job seekers need to be able to articulate clearly and confidently what is on their <u>resume</u> and turn it into effective dialogue that illustrates what they can bring to the job and why they are the best person for the position."

ResumeEdge's "Top Ten Interview Blunders" are:

- 1. Don't come unprepared. Be ready to speak about yourself and your qualifications without rambling. Use appropriate terms and examples that match your abilities to the specific job for which you are interviewing.
- 2. Don't be late. Map out how to get there or call in early.
- 3. In a phone interview, try not to use a cell phone. If possible, use a landline phone instead. Cell phone connections can hiss, crackle, cut out, and may disconnect the interviewer. If a hiring manager gets dead air, they may become frustrated or not call back.
- 4. Don't interact in other activities like eating or chewing gum during a phone interview. Give the interviewer your full attention and be aware of what can be heard on the other end.
- 5. In a lunch interview, don't order alcohol, messy foods or a doggy bag.
- 6. In a panel interview, don't focus on one panel member to the exclusion of all of the other interviewers.
- 7. Don't riddle your answers with vague terms like "hard worker" and "successful" without explanations of why and how.
- 8. Don't read your <u>resume</u> to your interviewer. Be able to speak confidently about your education, former jobs and experience without a "cheat sheet."
- 9. Don't exude body language where you seem cold, nervous or uninterested. Use a firm handshake, make eye contact and avoid fidgeting.
- 10. Don't forget to send a thank you note to every person who interviewed you.

For help crafting a resume and cover letter, ResumeEdge, a company that specializes in professional <u>resume services</u>, can help. The certified resume specialists at ResumeEdge embrace the art of resume writing and are instrumental in helping job seekers connect with hiring professionals. For additional career resources, visit http://www.resumeedge.com/resume-writing/career-articles/index.php?nav=rc.ca.

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