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### **Preparing for the Interview**

Essential Tips

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## **#1:** GATHER INFORMATION

#### Visit company website

review the company mission statement & company history, products and services, management, as well as information about the company culture

#### Use LinkedIn

You able to find more about company information, new hires, promotions, jobs posted, related companies, and company statistics

#### Use social media

Check Facebook and Twitter; become a Fan of the company on Facebook and follow it on Twitter

#### Google and Google News

Search both Google and Google News for the company name

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### **#2: UNDERSTAND JOB DESCRIPTION**

Read through the job descriptions carefully and understand the tasks & duties

#### Research

• Extensively research the organization and the role that you want to apply for

#### Reflection

• Once you have gathered the data, ask yourself – Why do you want to work in that role, organization and industry?

#### Find the right words

• Look at the 'competency' words in both the job ad and job description (e.g. teamwork, strong communication skill)

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## #3: KNOW YOUR STRENGTH

- Talk about your strengths confidently, without being cocky
  - try to be confident while still staying humble about your achievements and skills
- Provide examples when talking about a strength •
  - e.g. ("I am an excellent communicator. I care about the words that I use, and about avoiding ambiguity when I communicate. I'm not afraid to follow up with someone who's senior to me when I don't understand them")

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# #4: ANSWER THOSE INTERVIEW <u>QUESTIONS</u>

Write sample interview questions

Form possible interview questions

#### Create answers

• Create template based on the questions such as "Situation – Action – Result" with specific details from your work experience.

#### Answer bravely without any doubts

• Ensure you speak clearly and look out for body language and posture.

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"Don't forget to bring along smile !"

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## **#5:** CONFIRM THE NECESSARIES

- Things to do before interview :
  - Try on your outfit
  - ✓ Take a test drive
  - Is Bring a copy of resume / original certificate
  - Cover Letter (Optional)
  - Switch of cell phone/ turn in on silent mode

