

## 20 Questions You Might Be Asked In A College Interview

College interviews are generally friendly and relaxed, but that doesn't mean you shouldn't prepare ahead of time. Most questions you'll be asked are intended to bring out the "real you." You'll make a better impression if you've prepared thoughtful answers.

The following list of questions are good examples of what college interviewers typically ask. Take a look at these to get a clear idea of who you are, what you've been doing, and where you are headed.

1. What three adjectives would your best friend use to describe you?
2. What have you enjoyed most about your high school years?
3. How have you grown, or changed?
4. What activities have you found most satisfying?
5. What things do you do well? What are your talents?
6. What strengths would you like most to develop?
7. Have any of your courses challenged you? Which ones? How?
8. What achievements are you most proud of?
9. How do you respond to academic pressure or competition?
10. What would you change about your school if you had the power?
11. What do you do for relaxation? For fun?
12. How do you define success?
13. How would you describe your family? Your Community?
14. What do you want to accomplish in the years ahead?
15. What issues concern you?
16. Is there any book, article, or creative work that has inspired you?
17. Is there a author, activity, or field you've explored in depth?
18. How do you spend your summers?
19. If you had a year to do anything you wanted, what would you do?
20. Why are you interested in this college?

Remember that you may want to prepare a few questions of your own to ask the interviewer. Make sure to choose questions that highlight your interest, enthusiasm, and the research that you've done on the school (see samples). Be confident and do your best.

## **Questions You Could Ask in an Interview**

1. What is the percentage of students from public school? private schools? parochial schools?
2. What do students like most about the college?
3. What role do students have in shaping policy? On what committees do they serve?
4. What do students do to have fun?
5. What happens on the weekends?
6. What is the role of fraternities and sororities on campus?
7. How does the college assign freshman roommates?
8. Does the college provide housing for four years?
9. Where do people study?
10. Is there a doctor, nurse, psychologist available on campus?
11. When do students begin using the career center and what services are provided there?
12. Are there local jobs for students?
13. How do freshmen register for classes?