

Arlington Employment Center' Interview Preparation Rubric

Category	Professional	Proficient	Developing	Incomplete	Notes
Research	Thoroughly researches the company, its culture, and the job role. Understands the company's products, services, and recent news.	Conducts good research on the company and job role. Has a general understanding of the company's products and services.	Conducts limited research on the company and job role. Basic understanding of the company's products and services.	Conducts minimal or no research on the company and job role. Little to no understanding of the company's products and services.	
	Prepares questions to ask about the company and role.	Prepares a few questions to ask.	Prepares one or two questions to ask.	Does not prepare questions to ask.	
	Dresses appropriately for the industry and	Dresses appropriately with minor	Dresses somewhat appropriately but	Dresses inappropriately for the industry and	
Self-Presentation	company culture. Arrives on time or early for the interview. Brings multiple copies of the resume and other necessary documents.	adjustments needed. Arrives on time. Brings a copy of the resume and necessary documents.	needs improvement. Arrives slightly late. Brings some documents but may forget important ones.	company culture. Arrives late. Does not bring necessary documents.	
Communication Skills	Speaks clearly and confidently. Provides concise and relevant answers to questions. Demonstrates active listening and engages with the interviewer.	Speak with minor hesitations. Provides mostly relevant answers with some detail. Shows good listening skills and engagement.	Speaks with some hesitation and lacks confidence. Answers are somewhat relevant but need more detail. Needs improvement in listening and engagement.	Speaks unclearly and lacks confidence. Answers are irrelevant or incomplete. Poor listening skills and engagement.	
Behavioral and Situational Responses	Uses the STAR method (Situation, Task, Action, Result) to answer behavioral questions. Provides specific examples that highlight skills and experiences. Demonstrates problemsolving and critical thinking abilities.	Uses the STAR method with minor inconsistencies. Provides relevant examples with some detail. Shows good problemsolving and critical thinking abilities.	Attempts to use the STAR method but needs improvement. Examples are somewhat relevant but lack detail. Needs improvement in demonstrating problem-solving and critical thinking.	Does not use the STAR method. Examples are irrelevant or missing. Fails to demonstrate problem-solving and critical thinking abilities.	