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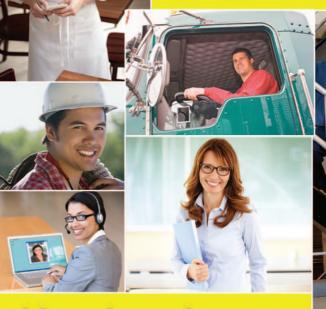




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WHY IS NETWORKING SO IMPORANT?

In the world of work, networking is, indeed, a very big deal – even the Wall Street Journal reported that 94 percent of successful job seekers claimed networking had made

all the difference for them. Networking comes in many forms; everything from meeting an old friend for a cup of coffee to ask how she likes law school, to having your best friend's father put in a a good word for you at his company, to meeting with an older alum from your college to learn more about a career in social work.

How you find Networking Contacts

There are many ways to identify networking contacts. Here are some places to find folks who know something about a field, organization or school you are considers:

- Your college alumni association or career office networking lists
- Your own extended family
- Your friends' parents and other family members
- Your professors, advisors, coaches, tutors and clergy
- Your former bosses and your friends' and family members' bosses Members of clubs, religious groups and other

organizations to which you belong

All the organizations near where you live or go to school

What can these Networking Contacts Tell You?

- They can tell you what it's really like (from their perspective, of course) to work in a given field or organization now. They can also tell you how the field has changed and what they see for the future.
 - 2. They can help you understand aptitudes and training needed to get into and be successful in a particular field.
- 3. They can give you the inside scoop on schools and training programs.
- 4. They can give you insider information on an organization, such as who is in charge, what the culture is like, what kinds or people have held the job you're looking at, what it takes to succeed in that position.
- 5. They can be living demonstrations of what it's like to work in the fields. Can you imagine yourself doing what they do?
- 6. Every once in a while, the person with whom you're having an informational interview will offer to help move your application along. When that happens, it can be a real advantage for you. But whether you get that offer or not, the nuggets of information you've gathered can be essential in helping you to sort out your options and present yourself more effectively.



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CREATE A GOOD FIRST IMPRESSION IN A JOB INTERVIEW

Be Polite to the Receptionist

You are being watched from the moment you pick up an application to the time you are waiting for your interview. Be patient, greet everyone appropriately and smile; no watching the clock or tapping your feet.

Offer a Handshake and Introduce Yourself

Give a firm handshake and introduce yourself to the interviewer.

Body Language

Eye contact - Good eye contact conveys confidence and enthusiasm.

Facial expression - Smile. Walk in with a friendly and energetic face.

Energy level - Show enthusiasm.

Posture - Maintain good posture throughout the interview. Sit up straight, relax and cross your feet at the ankles or place feet firmly on the ground. Don't slouch and don't rock back in your chair.

Don't chew gum - No explanation needed.

Always bring a resume/portfolio!

It is always professional to have a resume with you. Even if they already have a copy, put a copy in your portfolio, along with other accomplishments to show the interviewer. You may want to bring multiple copies in the event there is more than one interviewer.

Ask for the job!

If you are truly interested in the job, ask for it. As you are preparing to leave, offer the interviewer your hand to shake, look directly into his or her eyes and say how much you would enjoy working there. Ask when you will hear from them or ask when you may call to follow-up.

Thank the Interviewer

Thank the interviewer for taking the time to interview

Thank You Notes

Always send a thank you note! This is important, not just for the sake of good manners but to get the job. If time constraints make it difficult to send a hand written note, at least send an e-mail or written fax. In addition to good manners, a thank you note forces the potential employer to think about you at least one more time.

Follow-up phone calls

Before leaving an interview, ask the employer to give you some idea when they will be making a hiring decision. If you haven't heard anything after one week, phone the interviewer and inquire whether the position has been filled. Many employers hire the most enthusiastic applicant out of a group of qualified candidates.



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HELPFUL TIPS

Assessment Testing

Some firms may require a test as part of the application process. The assessments most commonly used are those that indicate intelligence or general aptitude. In addition, some firms use assessments that give them information on specific aptitudes, personality traits and interest patterns.

Don't let tests scare you. None of the commonly used tests require advance preparation. Remember that your scores are only one of many factors employers will consider in judging your qualification for a job.

If the assessment if timed, you will be told how much time you will have to complete it. Listen carefully to the instructions - if you do not clearly understand what you are expected to do, be sure to ask questions. The time for questions, however, is before the test begins. After you start the test, work steadily and carefully because seconds lost in asking questions after it starts could seriously affect your score.

Once the assessment is finished, don't second guess your results. If the assessment is well constructed, you probably would achieve a similar score if you took it again. Remember, too, that employers do not regard your score as an infallible measure of your abilities - but as an indication of them.

Reasons People Don't Get Hired

- Poor personal appearance
- Overly aggressive
- Inability to express information in a clear and concise manner
- Lack of interest and enthusiasm
- Lack of planning for career; no purpose or goal
- Nervousness, lack of confidence and poise
- Over emphasis on money
- Lack of tact and courtesy
- Negative attitude about past employers

- No genuine interest in company or job
- No eye contact with the interviewer
- Application form is incomplete or sloppy
- No sense of humor
- Late for interview
- Failure to express appreciation for the interview's time
- Gives vague responses to questions
- No follow up with thank you note or phone call

Thank you letters and notes should be standard tools in your job search!

- The thank you letter should be a standard business letter format, while the note may be a simple, handwritten note or card.
- You may consider sending your thank-you note by e-mail.
- Write a thank you letter or note no later than 24 hours after the interview, even if things didn't go well.
- Be brief and to the point.
- Note the job you interviewed for and also list the date of your interview.
- Use the name and title of person who interviewed you.
- When thanking a potential employer, restate your interest in the position and the company. Offer to come to another interview or to provide more information if needed.

Follow-Up Calls

After the interview is over, and you've sent a thank-you note expressing your appreciation for consideration, wait a couple of days and make a follow-up call to see if the employer has made a decision.

If you got the job – congratulations! You'll probably find out when you'll start, etc.

If you didn't get the job, don't be afraid to ask why not in a non-threatening manner.

If the manager hasn't made a decision yet, find out if there is anything else you can do, but don't be pushy and don't beg.

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Limit personal information.

When submitting online applications and resumes, be careful of the information that you put out there. Credible employers never need your bank account numbers, credit card numbers or mother's maiden name.

Omit references on your online resume.

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