# Before the interview

* **Research the Company**  
  Learn what they do, their values, and what kind of customers they serve. This shows you're genuinely interested.
* **Know the Role**  
  Understand the job description and think about how your skills or experiences match what they’re looking for.
* **Practice Common Questions**  
  Prepare answers for questions like:
  + “Tell me about yourself.”
  + “Why do you want to work here?”
  + “What are your strengths and weaknesses?”
  + “Tell me about a time you worked in a team.”
* **Prepare Questions to Ask**  
  Employers like when you ask questions. Try:
  + “What does a typical shift look like?”
  + “What do you enjoy most about working here?”

## On the day

* **Dress Neatly**  
  Even if it’s a casual job, wear clean, tidy clothes that show you’ve made an effort.
* **Arrive Early**  
  Aim to arrive 10–15 minutes early. It shows you’re punctual and reliable.
* **Bring Essentials**  
  Bring a copy of your CV, a notepad, and a pen—just in case.

## During the interview

* **Be Polite and Positive**  
  Smile, make eye contact, and greet your interviewer confidently.
* **Be Honest**  
  If you don’t know something, it’s okay to say so. Focus on your willingness to learn.
* **Use Examples**  
  Even if you haven’t had a job before, talk about school projects, volunteering, or team activities.

## After the interview

* **Say Thank You**  
  Thank the interviewer for their time. A polite follow-up email or message can leave a great impression.