

## 3 Most Common Interview Questions

Below are short (4 minute) videos with tips on how to answer the 3 most common interview questions. Whether you are asked these exact questions or not, preparing your answers and practicing them out loud until they sound conversational will mentally prepare you to tell a story about yourself, your interest in the position, and how your strengths can add value to the position you are seeking.

**1. Tell me about yourself.** This is your opportunity to tell the employer something new and interesting about yourself that may not have come across in your resume or cover letter. You may choose to summarize your years of related experience or summarize the type of experiences you have had that have brought you to this point in time, interviewing for this particular position, or you might identify specific accomplishments you are most proud of that relate to the position. [Learn more here.](#)

**2. Why did you apply for this job?** What is it specifically about this position at this company, firm, agency, or organization that attracted your attention? The interviewer wants to learn about you and your career goals and how this position fits with your plan. They want to ensure that you are sincerely interested in this job and that you are enthusiastic, even passionate about this work and that you will be motivated to perform. [Learn more here.](#)

**3. Why should we hire you?** This is a strengths question! You need to connect your experience, skills, talents, interests, and qualifications to this job! To do that, you must be clear on what you are good at doing and be able to connect your strengths to specific examples that demonstrate how you use them AND be comfortable articulating them. You can talk about education and training; your expertise and experience; technical and non-technical competencies; key accomplishments; or awards and recognition. Whatever you choose to talk about, don't miss out on an opportunity to share how awesome you really are. [Learn more here.](#)