Interview skills

Do you need to prepare your students for job interviews? Here are some great resources to check out:
Teaching English – British Council via Learn English – British Council

1) Video - a bad interview http://goo.gl/K3qnYb

2) Video - a good interview http://goo.gl/GQKbnB

3) Practice - A virtual job interview http://goo.gl/5RDbFh

4) 150 common interview questions and advice on answering –http://goo.gl/q27H3A

http://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/en/youre-hired/episode-4

Whether we like it or not, judgments are made about us by the way we look, our clothes, hair, facial expressions, and our posture. These decisions will usually be made within the first few seconds of meeting with you. Even before you speak, your interviewer will be absorbing non-verbal clues about you. You will be judged by how you stand, how you walk, how you shake hands, how you smile, and how you sit. That’s why it’s important to think about your body language. The way you present yourself can help influence a person’s impression of you. For example, dark clothing suggests authority; lighter colors suggest friendliness or a sense of humor; lots of jewelry suggests power or wealth. Your hair style might suggest sensible, cutting-edge, formal or friendly; your make-up can suggest glamorous or professional. Body language is very important in your interview session. Research shows 80% communication takes place through non-verbal communication whereas only 20 % is verbal.

• What body language or gestures are important and why?

• Smile

• Eye contact

• Hand shake

• Looks

• Level of comfortability

• Level of calmness

• Tone of your voice and pauses

• Level of motivation