
Interviewing Best Practices

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| <i>Business Purpose</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hire not only 2000 new members for the technical team, but improve the quality of those new hires.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Newer hiring managers lack the technical knowledge of the job they're hiring for. In order to effectively question candidates about their qualifications, HM's need to have some base knowledge. |
| <i>Target Audience</i> | Hiring managers and recruiters |
| <i>Training Time</i> | 20 minutes |
| <i>Training Recommendation</i> | One eLearning course that allows the learner to make choices in real-life interview scenarios in which the learner will interact with the content and receive feedback. |
| <i>Deliverables</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1 storyboard outlining the module• 1 e-Learning course for technical content knowledge (SME will provide more details)<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Developed in Articulate Storyline○ Includes scenarios and videos○ Final assessment• List/Cheat Sheet of questions to ask candidates<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Both technical and "getting to know you"/"team fit" questions <p>Some of the technical questions will be required in order to assess candidates' skills. Some will be optional and dependent on other responses and time constraints.</p> |
| <i>Learning Objectives</i> | <p>At the end of this course, the learner will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Implement systems that prepares team members for the purpose of interview• Identify ways to show the candidate they are respected• Define the role the candidate is fulfilling• Design a list of questions that will be used during the interview process |
| <i>Training Outline</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Welcome to Apex Tech Solutions○ Brief description of the company values and the company's primary goal○ Importance of HM role in building a team to support company goals○ Title of course: Strong Interviewing Builds Strong Teams |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Navigation• Learner Objectives <p>(Some Best Practices have been chunked together for retention because they make sense to be together.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Purpose of Course• Best Practice 1: Know Your Purpose<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The purpose should focus on why you've selected this candidate for an interview and which role they will fulfill if hired.<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ This is not the time for current team members to illustrate their own knowledge• Best Practice 2: Respect Candidate<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Don't waste candidate's time<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ be on time▪ have all team members present to avoid follow-up interviews just to meet everyone○ Make sure the team is on the same page going into the interview in terms of clarity on the position they are hiring for.<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ They should all be familiar with the job description the candidate responded to.• Best Practice 3: Define What You Want<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Be clear on which position you are hiring for and the qualities/skills necessary—and don't change directions from what's posted on the job listing○ Avoid a checklist of skills which may not provide a complete representation of the candidate○ Be flexible enough to go off-script and pursue a line of questioning that fits with the team culture or necessary skills and gives you a bigger picture of the candidate• Best Practice 4: Preparation<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Once you have a clear focus of the previous BP's, prepare for the interview.○ Have a bank of questions that are specific to both the job and the team culture.<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Reminder: this is not a checklist but a bank. There may be several questions that are high priority, and should be asked, but the rest of the bank of questions should not be a checklist |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Train interviewers/team how to interview effectively and focus on the needs of the role the candidate is interviewing for and the team culture.• Knowledge check: Scenarios based on actual Apex Tech Solutions job postings• Summary• Quiz/Assessment (see Evaluation)• Conclusion after learner passes the quiz<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Congratulations○ Exit course button |
| <i>Evaluation Plan</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quiz/Assessment<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ There will be 5 questions○ Must pass with 80%○ Unlimited re-tries |