YCareers INTERVIEW GUIDE  RESEARCH THE EMPLOYER		Review the job description	Visit their website
Learn what they do	Find out their company values	Check out their socials	Learn their location
WEAR SOMETHING YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE IN  WHAT  TO WEAR  ———————————————————————————————————		Smart business attire	Minimal accessories recommended
Clean and wrinkle free clothing is best	Top suggestions Jacket or Blazer Button down shirt	Bottom suggestions Suit or tailored pants Closed toe shoes	MAKE AN IMPRESSION  ONTHE  DAY  J
Be on time  plan your travel, aim to be 10-15 minutes early	Good hygiene first impressions matter	Check your phone is on do not disturb	Take your time when asking or answering questions
Positive responses	Body language smile, make eye contact & have good posture	Use appropriate language	Thank the interviewer for

try not to cross your arms or stretch

avoid negative answers

refrain from using slang or swearing

their time

**USE WORK OR PERSONAL EXPERIENCES TO RESPOND** 

# TYPICAL INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

Tell me about yourself.

What attracts you to a traineeship in ECEC (Early Childcare) or OSHC (before and after school care)?

How do you go about setting daily tasks & how do you prioritise them?

Tell me about how you set goals & do you have any examples of one you have recently achieved?

What previous work experience do you have and what skills did you gain?

Describe a time when you worked well in a team. What was your role? What was the outcome?

Describe a time you used your initiative to solve a problem. What was the outcome?

How do you handle stress? Provide an example of a time that you managed well under pressure?

How would your (family / friends / colleagues / teachers) describe you?

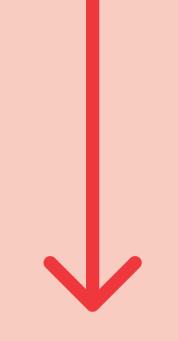
What motivates you? What will make you happy going to work each day?

What are three of your strengths and weaknesses?

Where do you see yourself in 5 years?

SITUATION, TASK, ACTION, RESULT

## ANSWER LIKE A STAR



### CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING WHEN YOU ANSWER

#### Transferable skills

e.g. caring for family members, patience, empathy, volunteer work, relevant coursework or training

Connect with company values

Willingness and excitement to learn

How the traineeship could be a stepping stone for a future career in education and care

#### Team work & communication

e.g. sports, games, work experience, group projects, clubs

Show excitement for the role

#### **Personal traits**

e.g. compassionate, responsible, adaptable

#### Soft skills

e.g. problem solving, conflict resolution, time management



**EXAMPLE QUESTIONS FOR THE INTERVIEWER** 

## ASK YOUR OWN QUESTIONS

What does a day in this role look like?

Can you tell me more about the team I would be working with?

What do you enjoy most about working here?

What is the company culture like?

What is the reason you're filling this position?

What are the next steps after today's interview?

PREPARING FOR AN INTERVIEW

### KEY THINGS TO REMEMBER —>

Ensure your social media is professional

Practice interviewing with friends or family

Get a good sleep the night before

Eat breakfast

If virtual, ensure technology is working

Ensure
you know
your own resume
well

Let your personality shine through

Have fun!

Send an email after the interview thanking them for their time