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30 of the most common  
interview questions for  
graduates going into 2017.



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1. Why do you want to work for our firm?
2. Why do you want to work in (London)?
3. How is this firm different from its competitors?
4. Could you give us a brief history of this firm, what were our recent successes?
5. Why did you go to university and study X?
6. Why do you want to be a solicitor/accountant....?
7. Where do see yourself in 5/10 years time?
8. What experiences most influenced your career choice?
9. If you had a magic lamp, what do you really want to do in life?
10. Would your social life or interests outside of work infringe on your work commitment?
11. Have you applied to anyone else? Yes / No (why?)
12. What motivates you?
13. What have you gained from your course and education over the past 10 years?
14. What aspects of your course did you find the most challenging?
15. Are you satisfied with your academic achievements to date? If not, what would you have done better
16. What benefit, if any, do you consider your degree subject has to a career in\_\_\_\_\_?
17. Give an example of when and how you have worked in a team? If there were conflicting opinions, how did you deal with them?
18. Describe a situation where you acted on your own initiative?
19. What achievements in your life are you most proud of?

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20. What are your strengths and what is your greatest weakness?
21. What is the worst mistake you have ever made and what did you learn from it?
22. How do you go about motivating yourself when the pressure is off?
23. How do you organise your time and assess priorities?
24. How do you react to pressure?
25. How do you react to failure?
26. If a decision goes against you how do you take it?
27. How would your friends describe you?
28. How would your enemies describe you?
29. Give me an example of a time when you had to negotiate to achieve a desired outcome?
30. Why, among all the candidates, should we choose you?



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