

Common Interviewing Mistakes

- Lack of self-preparation or preparation about the company
- Poor personal appearance
- Poor appearance on resume, applications, etc.
- Inability to express ideas clearly
- Lack of planning for interviews (no goals in mind)
- Lack of confidence and/or poise
- Non-participation in activities (no visible leadership)
- Failure to sell work experience and skills
- Poor scholastic record for no good reason
- Makes excuses; constantly negative
- Fails to look interviewer in the eye
- Limp/fishy handshake
- Location-cannot relocate
- Late to interview
- Poor or no questions
- Indefinite response to questions or rambling on
- Overbearing know-it-all
- Poor diction (check grammar and avoid slang)
- Critical of past employer