

CHAPTER 2 Employability Skills

Lab 2.3 Prepare for a Job Interview



Child Care Skills Project

Directions—Part 1 On a separate sheet of paper, write your answers to the potential interview questions listed below. Then, in groups of three, demonstrate your verbal and nonverbal communication skills by participating in a mock interview. One group member should be the interviewer, another the interviewee, and the third should critique the interview. Repeat the mock interviews until each person in your group has had an opportunity to participate in each role.

Questions About You:

1. Why do you want to work with children?
2. What is your philosophy about working with children?
3. Why are you interested in this particular job?
4. What do you see yourself doing in five years?
5. What is your greatest weakness?
6. How do you manage your time when you have a lot of things to do?
7. How do you constructively handle stress (pressure) and anger?

Questions About Early Childhood Care and Education

8. How would you describe a developmentally appropriate curriculum?
9. How does your philosophy about early childhood care and education impact your curriculum choices?
10. What is the value of play for children?
11. What personal experiences have you had relating to caring for children?
12. What would you do to maintain a good working relationship with parents?
13. How would you handle a child who hits and bites other children?