

# UNDP Interview Questions And Answers Guide.



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## UNDP Job Interview Preparation Guide.

### Question # 1

The change in the business industry now requires you to have a new set of skills you have to learn, how do you react to that?

#### Answer:-

First, find out which skills are the ones that you're currently lacking. Then identify what the steps would be to acquire/build those skills. Then take action to do so.

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### Question # 2

Tell me why do you want this job In UNDP?

#### Answer:-

Bad Answer: No solid answer, answers that don't align with what the job actually offers, or uninspired answers that show your position is just another of the many jobs they're applying for.

Good answer: The candidate has clear reasons for wanting the job that show enthusiasm for the work and the position, and knowledge about the company and job.

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### Question # 3

Tell me about a problem that you've solved in a unique or unusual way. What was the outcome? Were you happy or satisfied with it?

#### Answer:-

In this question the interviewer is basically looking for a real life example of how you used creativity to solve a problem.

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### Question # 4

How well do you know our company?

#### Answer:-

Well, a developed company that is gradually building their reputation in the competitive world.

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### Question # 5

What is your greatest professional achievement?

#### Answer:-

Nothing says "hire me" better than a track record of achieving amazing results in past jobs In UNDP, so don't be shy when answering this interview question! A great way to do so is by using the S-T-A-R method: Set up the situation and the task that you were required to complete to provide the interviewer with background context (e.g., "In my last job as a UNDP, it was my role to manage the invoicing process"), but spend the bulk of your time describing what you actually did (the action) and what you achieved (the result). For example, "In one month, I streamlined the process, which saved my group 10 man-hours each month and reduced errors on invoices by 25%."

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### Question # 6

Do you consider yourself successful?

#### Answer:-

You should always answer yes to this question. Briefly explain why without going on and on. If you communicate that you're more successful than you really are you may come off as arrogant or unrealistic. A goof explanation is that you have set professional goals and that you have met some of these goals and are on track to meet more in the near future.

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### Question # 7

Are you able to relocate if required?

**Answer:-**

Be completely honest and thoughtful with this one. You don't want to wake up one to find out that you're moving to a new city or state and it may be a major factor in your eligibility for employment. But again, if you don't want to move then the job probably isn't for you.

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**Question # 8**

Describe your work ethic?

**Answer:-**

While discussing this, be sure to stress specific examples of what you bring to the company. Good qualities include resolve to fulfill job responsibilities, optimism, and a desire to be as efficient as possible while at work.

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**Question # 9**

What have you learned from mistakes on the job?

**Answer:-**

Candidates without specific examples often do not seem credible. However, the example shared should be fairly inconsequential, unintentional, and a learned lesson should be gleaned from it. Moving ahead without group assistance while assigned to a group project meant to be collaborative is a good example.

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**Question # 10**

Tell me about a time when you helped resolve a dispute between others?

**Answer:-**

Be sure to discuss a very specific example. Tell the interviewer what methods you used to solve the problem without focusing on the details of the problem.

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**Question # 11**

Why do you want to leave your current company In UNDP?

**Answer:-**

Bad Answer: Complaining about or blaming their former job, boss or colleagues. Also, having no good reason.

Good answer: One that focuses on the positives about why the job they're applying for offers them better learning or career opportunities, chances for advancement, aligns more closely to their long term goals, or is a better fit for them.

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**Question # 12**

Where do you see yourself in five years? Ten years?

**Answer:-**

Bad Answer: A generic or uninspired answer. Also, answers that show that this career/company is just a temporary stop for them.

Good answer: One that shows the candidate has thought about this question, has plans, and that those plans align with the job and a career path that is possible in the company. You want to see that this candidate is a good long term investment.

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**Question # 13**

What are your greatest professional strengths In UNDP?

**Answer:-**

When answering this question, we recommends being accurate (share your true strengths, not those you think the interviewer wants to hear); relevant (choose your strengths that are most targeted to this particular position In UNDP); and specific (for example, instead of "people skills," choose "persuasive communication" or "relationship building"). Then, follow up with an example of how you've demonstrated these traits in a professional setting.

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**Question # 14**

How long do you want to work for us if we hire you?

**Answer:-**

Here being specific is probably not the best approach. You may consider responding, "I hope a very long time." Or "As long as we're both happy with my performance."

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**Question # 15**

Explain me about a problem or disagreement you had with previous supervisor?

**Answer:-**

This question is trap. It is meant to see whether or not you'll speak poorly of an employer. No one wants to hire someone who's going to speak poorly of them down the road. Stay upbeat and positive - and most of all don't say anything negative about a previous employer.

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### Question # 16

Top 12 Best Brainteaser Interview Questions:

#### Answer:-

Brainteaser questions In UNDP have become popular for interviews in recent years, as word has gotten out that top tech companies such as Apple, Google, Microsoft and IBM have used this type of question at one time or another.

Companies like Google aren't using these questions so much any more, but many companies, are, and it may be good to prepare for them In UNDP. The key to these isn't so much getting the exact answer, as it is showing how you would come up with an answer.

Here's a sample of 12 of the best and most difficult.

1. How many street lights are there in New York City?
2. How many gas stations are there in the United States?
3. How many golf balls can fit in a school bus?
4. How much should you charge to wash all the windows in Seattle?
5. Why are manhole covers round?
6. How many times a day does a clock's hands overlap?
7. How would you test a calculator?
8. Describe the internet to someone who just woke up from a 30-year coma.
9. How much does the Starbucks in Times Square bring in, in annual revenue?
10. You are shrunk to the height of a nickel and thrown into a blender. Your mass is reduced so that your density is the same as usual. The blades start moving in 60 seconds. What do you do?
11. What is the air speed velocity of an unladen swallow? ;)
12. How many golf balls are there in Florida?

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### Question # 17

Would you like doing repetitive work?

#### Answer:-

Why not, I am not only doing a repetitive work but also earning but also getting a good salary by the company In UNDP. And second thing is that nothing is interesting in the life till we are not interested.

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### Question # 18

What have you done to improve your knowledge In UNDP in the last year?

#### Answer:-

Try to include improvement activities that relate to the job In UNDP. A wide variety of activities can be mentioned as positive self-improvement. Have some good ones handy to mention.

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### Question # 19

How much are you willing to sacrifice to be successful at work In UNDP?

#### Answer:-

With anything comes sacrifice. The questions is how much of it are you willing to sacrifice with regards to work life balance, stress, etc?

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### Question # 20

What can you offer us that someone else can not?

#### Answer:-

Bad Answer: Going negative - if the candidate starts trash talking other candidates, it's a sure sign of a bad attitude. Also, if they can't provide a solid answer, it may show that they lack thorough knowledge of the skills the job requires, and an understanding of where they fit in.

Good answer: The candidate can name specific skills, abilities or understandings they have that apply directly to the job that other candidates are unlikely to have, or are in short supply.

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### Question # 21

Tell me about a difficult decision you've made in the last year In UNDP?

#### Answer:-

We all have difficult decisions in our lives. Show how you were able to arrive at it and then how you decisively acted.

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### Question # 22

What is your perception of taking on risk?

#### Answer:-

Your answer depends on the type of company you're interviewing for. If it's a start up, you need to be much more open to taking on risk. If it's a more established company, calculated risks to increase / improve the business or minimal risks would typically be more in line.

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### Question # 23



What motivates you to work In UNDP?

**Answer:-**

Describe what makes you passionate about the work. It could be the company's vision, the product, your desire to succeed, the clients, your peers and so on. The key is to first understand what internally motivates you to do your job and then to emphasize that in a positive way

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**Question # 24**

If hired, how do you intend on making a difference with our company?

**Answer:-**

Dedicate myself to learn everything about the new company that I can, look for ways and ideas that could improve, processes, safety, removing obstacles from the associates, I want to advance within the company.

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**Question # 25**

Are You a 'People' Person?

**Answer:-**

Although it may be phrased a little differently, the gist of this question is clear:

Do you like being around people? If you don't, being a medical assistant isn't a good fit for you. After all, you'll be working directly with patients throughout the day. It helps a lot if you sincerely like interacting with them. While answering this question, make sure to mention that you like helping people too. This will drive home the point that you are a talented medical assistant and would be a valuable part of the team In UNDP.

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**Question # 26**

Why are you the best fit for this job In UNDP?

**Answer:-**

Analyze the job responsibilities and match those to your skills sets. Then discuss how your experience and skills sets can truly create the best impact to the company in that specific job role. Impact could mean marketing impressions, sales, cutting costs, making products more efficiently, creating better customer service, engineering new designs that create customer excitement, etc.

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**Question # 27**

Do you like being around people?

**Answer:-**

People skills are a necessity for medical assistants. When answering this question, be sure to show that you enjoy interacting and working with others and that you also derive great enjoyment from helping others. This will show that you are a team player and that you would be a valuable team member In UNDP.

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**Question # 28**

If you have seven white socks and nine black socks in a drawer, how many socks do you have to pull out blindly in order to ensure that you have a matching pair?

**Answer:-**

if the first one is one color (say, white), and the second one is the other color (black), then the third one, no matter what the color, will make a matching pair. (Sometimes you're not supposed to think that hard.)

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**Question # 29**

What do you consider to be your weaknesses?

**Answer:-**

What your interviewer is really trying to do with this question-beyond identifying any major red flags-is to gauge your self-awareness and honesty. So, "I can't meet a deadline to save my life In UNDP" is not an option-but neither is "Nothing! I'm perfect!" Strike a balance by thinking of something that you struggle with but that you're working to improve. For example, maybe you've never been strong at public speaking, but you've recently volunteered to run meetings to help you be more comfortable when addressing a crowd.

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**Question # 30**

What do you know about this company?

**Answer:-**

Research the company on Google by searching recent news (to remain current on them) and their website. Make sure you understand their products / services, vision, competitive differentiators, and work culture.

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**Question # 31**

How important is the vision of the company to you?

**Answer:-**



It should be very important if you want a long standing career. Remember, you're investing your time, energy and earnings potential into a company so you want to make sure it's a sustainably successful company that will grow with you over the long haul.

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### **Question # 32**

How do you handle your anger?

**Answer:-**

I don't get angry very easily but in the rare occasion that I do, I hold it in and act as though nothing is wrong.

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### **Question # 33**

Have you ever been fired and if yes, why?

**Answer:-**

Answer this as positively as possible and try to avoid disparaging the company you had previously worked for. The key is to accept the fact that yes, you were fired, but you've learned from the mistakes that got you there and you're better now because of it. If you haven't been fired, well, then this question's a piece of cake isn't it?

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### **Question # 34**

How articulate are you in expressing your ideas?

**Answer:-**

One of the best ways to answer this question is clearly articulate three points that demonstrate how articulate you are (and in a sense show that in a live setting) - for example: "I would say I'm articulate because one, I typically gather my thoughts before speaking, two, I organize my thoughts well, and three I'm concise when making a point.

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### **Question # 35**

What does "collaboration with teammates" mean to you?

**Answer:-**

Drinking at the water cooler together is not the best example. Think of how you can collaborate with teammates to generate new ideas, to create initiatives to impact the business' success for the better (specifically in the department that you're applying for). For example, if you're applying to marketing, collaboration could mean discussing new ways of social media advertising to reach an audience of over a million people to strengthen the brand awareness of the company.

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### **Question # 36**

How important is a positive attitude to you?

**Answer:-**

Incredibly important. I believe a positive attitude is the foundation of being successful - it's contagious in the workplace, with our customers, and ultimately it's the difference maker.

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### **Question # 37**

How many basketballs would fit in this room?

**Answer:-**

One. You did not ask what is the maximum number of basketballs you can fit in the room.

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### **Question # 38**

How meticulous are you with details?

**Answer:-**

Being detailed is important for many types of job roles. Typically you want to highlight how you've done that in previous roles. Example: "Being meticulous is important to me. In my last job, I had to count the money in the register as a cashier to make sure it matched to the receipts down to the last penny." This was to ensure there wasn't any "wrongdoing" at the company by any of the cashiers and I was always accurate in my reports.

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### **Question # 39**

How do you deal with conflict in the workplace In UNDP?

**Answer:-**

When people work together, conflict is often unavoidable because of differences in work goals and personal styles. Follow these guidelines for handling conflict in the workplace.

- \* 1. Talk with the other person.
- \* 2. Focus on behavior and events, not on personalities.
- \* 3. Listen carefully.
- \* 4. Identify points of agreement and disagreement.
- \* 5. Prioritize the areas of conflict.



- \* 6. Develop a plan to work on each conflict.
- \* 7. Follow through on your plan.
- \* 8. Build on your success.

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### Question # 40

What's been your biggest failure to date?

#### Answer:-

Describe your biggest failure and discuss what you've learned from it and ideally how you've been successful since because of that lesson.

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### Question # 41

What will your ramp time be before you become a meaningful contributor?

#### Answer:-

Companies want staff that can ramp quickly, but also want people who are realistic. So take into consideration how intense the job is and then give a good answer. For example, if you have simple responsibilities that don't require a huge development curve, then your ramp time will probably be shorter. If it's a complex set of skills that you need to develop, then your ramp time could be longer - the key is you have to explain why you believe that ramp time should be.

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### Question # 42

What are your salary requirements In UNDP?

#### Answer:-

The #1 rule of answering this question is doing your research on what you should be paid by using site like Global Guideline. You'll likely come up with a range, and we recommend stating the highest number in that range that applies, based on your experience, education, and skills. Then, make sure the hiring manager knows that you're flexible. You're communicating that you know your skills are valuable, but that you want the job and are willing to negotiate.

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### Question # 43

How do you handle stressful situations?

#### Answer:-

By remaining calm, weighing out all my options and executing a plan to get the situation resolve .

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### Question # 44

What would your first 30, 60, or 90 days look like in this role In UNDP?

#### Answer:-

Start by explaining what you'd need to do to get ramped up. What information would you need? What parts of the company would you need to familiarize yourself with? What other employees would you want to sit down with? Next, choose a couple of areas where you think you can make meaningful contributions right away. (e.g., "I think a great starter project would be diving into your email marketing campaigns and setting up a tracking system for them.") Sure, if you get the job, you (or your new employer) might decide there's a better starting place, but having an answer prepared will show the interviewer where you can add immediate impact-and that you're excited to get started.

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### Question # 45

Do you work well under pressure?

#### Answer:-

Yes.. When it comes down to the wire, the best thing I can to remain focused, have some flexibility, and understand priorities.. Giving them attention in the order they are needed.

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### Question # 46

Give an example of a time you successfully worked In UNDP on a team?

#### Answer:-

On the whole I prefer to stick to doing what I'm told rather than setting myself up to fail by doing things off my own bat. But there was this one time when I suggested to my boss at the pizza parlor that she try offering an 'all you can eat' deal to students to boost trade on Mondays. She thought it was an interesting idea but nothing ever came of it.

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### Question # 47

Do you think you have enough experience In UNDP?

#### Answer:-

If you do not have the experience they need, you need to show the employer that you have the skills, qualities and knowledge that will make you equal to people with experience but not necessary the skills. It is also good to add how quick you can pick up the routine of a new job role.



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### **Question # 48**

How would your friends describe you?

#### **Answer:-**

My friends would probably say that I'm extremely persistent - I've never been afraid to keep going back until I get what I want. When I worked as a program developer, recruiting keynote speakers for a major tech conference, I got one rejection after another - this was just the nature of the job. But I really wanted the big players - so I wouldn't take no for an answer. I kept going back to them every time there was a new company on board, or some new value proposition. Eventually, many of them actually said "yes" - the program turned out to be so great that we doubled our attendees from the year before. A lot of people might have given up after the first rejection, but it's just not in my nature. If I know something is possible, I have to keep trying until I get it.

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### **Question # 49**

Do you like to start personal relationships with other employees?

#### **Answer:-**

Well, the right answer is yes and no. Good personal relations can improve the overall performance of a team. But on the other hand, you should not let your emotions to affect your decisions in work.

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### **Question # 50**

Give me an example of an emergency situation that you faced. How did you handle it?

#### **Answer:-**

There was a time when one of my employers faced the quitting of a manager in another country. I was asked to go fill in for him while they found a replacement and stay to train that person. I would be at least 30 days. I quickly accepted because I knew that my department couldn't function without me.

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### **Question # 51**

How do you act when you encounter competition?

#### **Answer:-**

This question is designed to see if you can rise the occasion. You want to discuss how you are the type to battle competition strongly and then you need to cite an example if possible of your past work experience where you were able to do so.

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### **Question # 52**

Tell me something about your family background?

#### **Answer:-**

First, always feel proud while discussing about your family background. Just simple share the details with the things that how they influenced you to work in an airline field.

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### **Question # 53**

What is your desired salary In UNDP?

#### **Answer:-**

Bad Answer: Candidates who are unable to answer the question, or give an answer that is far above market. Shows that they have not done research on the market rate, or have unreasonable expectations.

Good answer: A number or range that falls within the market rate and matches their level of mastery of skills required to do the job.

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### **Question # 54**

Do you have any question regarding this job In UNDP?

#### **Answer:-**

Never ask Salary, perks, leave, place of posting, etc. regarded questions. Try to ask more about the company to show how early you can make a contribution to your organization like "Sir, with your kind permission I would like to know more about induction and developmental programs?" OR Sir, I would like to have my feedback, so that I can analyze and improve my strengths and rectify my shortcomings.

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### **Question # 55**

How have you changed in the last five years?

#### **Answer:-**

All in a nutshell. But I think I've attained a level of personal comfort in many ways and although I will change even more in the next 5-6 years I'm content with the past 6 and what has come of them.

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### **Question # 56**

How much do you expect to get paid In UNDP?

#### **Answer:-**

For this be prepared and research salary to find out what similar positions are paying in your area before you go to the interview. Try to find this information out before giving your salary expectations. You can and should provide a range instead of an exact number. But again, don't say any numbers you're not comfortable with because if the employer offers you a salary at the lowest end of your range, you don't have much to negotiate with when it comes to getting a higher salary.

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### **Question # 57**

How do you evaluate your ability to handle conflict?

#### **Answer:-**

I pride myself on being a good problem solver. Through my previous job and management positions I have faced numerous conflicts in different situations, and my experiences have helped me to hone my issue resolution skills. I believe that it is important to get to and address the root of the issue, in a respectable manner.

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### **Question # 58**

Describe a typical work week for this position In UNDP?

#### **Answer:-**

Interviewers expect a candidate for employment to discuss what they do while they are working in detail. Before you answer, consider the position In UNDP you are applying for and how your current or past positions relate to it. The more you can connect your past experience with the job opening, the more successful you will be at answering the questions.

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### **Question # 59**

What problems have you encountered at work?

#### **Answer:-**

Wow, do we have problems! Where do I begin? Well, most of the problems are internal, just people not working well with each other. I have one person on our team who is a real problem, but it seems like management is afraid to do anything about it. So we all end up having to do extra work to cover for this person, who just doesn't work. We all say that he's retired in place. I think he's just holding on until retirement in a couple years. But he's a real problem. I complain about it--a lot--but nothing ever seems to get done. I've even written negative reviews about the person, hoping he will get canned, but it doesn't happen. I can't wait for him to retire.

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### **Question # 60**

Have you got any questions?

#### **Answer:-**

This is your final opportunity to persuade the interviewer that you are the right candidate for the job. Now is not the time to ask questions about holidays, pay or pensions - all these things can be asked later when you get an offer of employment. Now is the time to ask about any reservations that the interviewer may have about your suitability for the role. You will then give yourself one last chance to persuade the interviewer that you are the right candidate for the job.

Example Thank you. I think we have covered everything. Before we finish the interview I would like to take the opportunity to ask if you have any reservations about my suitability for this role?

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### **Question # 61**

What kind of salary do you need In UNDP?

#### **Answer:-**

This is a loaded question and a nasty little game that you will probably lose if you answer first. So, do not answer it. Instead, say something like, that's a tough question. Can you tell me the range for this position? In most cases, the interviewer, taken off guard, will tell you. If not, say that it can depend on the details of the job. Then give a wide range.

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### **Question # 62**

How do you plan to go by an example for your subordinates?

#### **Answer:-**

Sticking to the rules by yourself, working hard and not mind participating on basic tasks is a good answer.

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### **Question # 63**

What would you like to have accomplished by the end of your career?

#### **Answer:-**

Think of 3 major achievements that you'd like to accomplish in your job when all is said and done - and think BIG. You want to show you expect to be a major contributor at the company. It could be creating a revolutionary new product, it could be implementing a new effective way of marketing, etc.

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