

A  Listen to the conversation between two friends, Anna and Scott. Then read the questions and choose the correct answer.

- 1 Why is Scott nervous?
 A He's starting a new job tomorrow.
 B He's preparing for a job interview.
 C He's working on a college paper.
- 2 Does Anna think that Scott is a responsible person?
 A Yes, because he's a good student.
 B No, because he missed classes.
 C She doesn't mention responsibility.
- 3 How can Scott show that he rose to a challenge?
 A He went to college every day.
 B He worked at a department store.
 C He ran a marathon last year.
- 4 After talking to Anna, how does Scott feel?
 A He has a lot of fears.
 B He has more confidence.
 C He feels successful.

_____ / 8 (1 point each)

B Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in the box. Then match the sentence halves.

break face get have rise run take tell work

EXAMPLE: Everyone laughed when you told _____

- 1 Gustavo likes building things and _____
- 2 I know you're scared, but if you _____
- 3 She isn't an employee. She _____
- 4 We weren't fast enough to _____
- 5 You're so funny! You _____
- 6 When things are difficult, try to _____
- 7 That was an excellent post! It _____
- 8 You're good at drawing. You should _____

D

- A a lot of likes, didn't it?
- B to the challenges and succeed.
- C a business in the city.
- D a joke!
- E a great sense of humor.
- F with his hands.
- G pride in your art.
- H your fears, you'll feel better.
- I the record. We'll try again!

_____ / 8 (1 point each)

C Complete the sentences. Use eight words from the box.

confidence confident creative creativity curious curious independence independent
polite politeness qualification qualified success successful truthful truthfulness

- 1 Job interviews are difficult for me because I'm very quiet and I don't really believe in my own abilities. I don't have a lot of _____.
- 2 They worked hard on the project and it was a great _____!
- 3 Do you have enough education and training to do that job? Are you _____ to apply for it?
- 4 Be friendly and don't shout at people. _____ is a very important quality.
- 5 Raquel is an honest person who never lies. She's always _____.
- 6 It's nice to work on a team, but it's good to make your own decisions and be _____, too.
- 7 Your little sister asks a lot of questions about everything! She's very _____!
- 8 He writes stories and builds websites. He has lots of great ideas, which show his _____.

_____ / 8 (1 point each)

D Write the correct form of the verbs in parentheses ().

- 1 He _____ at this company since last year. (work)
- 2 We _____ you three times so far today! (call)
- 3 Mi Na is upset. Yesterday, she _____ her purse. (lose)
- 4 When I got home last night, everyone _____ TV. (watch)
- 5 I'm at the library now. I _____ on a paper for my media studies class. (write)
- 6 Lara and Boris enjoy sports, so they _____ to the gym every day. (go)

_____ / 6 (1 point each)

E Match the sentence halves.

EXAMPLE: He's confident **D**

- 1 She wrote a report, and now _____. **A** spicy food
- 2 I don't think vacations _____. **B** are fun
- 3 She's meeting _____. **C** he reads a lot of history books
- 4 We really hate _____. **D** and he's polite, too
- 5 Irma and Jim are thinking _____. **E** cook spicy food
- 6 We're learning to _____. **F** at the park
- 7 He's curious about the past, so _____. **G** I'm reading it
- 8 His cousins usually meet _____. **H** of going on vacation
- 9 _____ **I** us for coffee next week

_____ / 8 (1 point each)

F Read the blog post. Then read the questions and choose the correct answers.

In today's blog, I want to tell you about three candidates who interviewed for the same job at a marketing company. I'd like you to decide which candidate probably got the job.

Candidate 1

This person was dressed perfectly and had a lot of confidence. She isn't qualified, but showed that she sets goals for herself. She answered every question carefully, but didn't ask any questions of her own.

Candidate 2

This person was a few minutes late for the interview, but he apologized and explained that his train had been cancelled. He has a small amount of experience in marketing, and showed that he has creativity. He shared his creative ideas for some new products.

Candidate 3

This person was very enthusiastic, and was truthful about the fact that she isn't experienced. However, it was clear that she takes pride in her accomplishments. She asked excellent questions, and showed that she has a good sense of humor.

- 1 Who asked questions in the interview?
A Candidate 1 B Candidate 2 C Candidate 3
- 2 Who wore the best clothes?
A Candidate 1 B Candidate 2 C Candidate 3
- 3 Who is experienced?
A Candidate 1 B Candidate 2 C Candidate 3

_____ / 6 (2 points each)

G Read the comments (A–C) to the blog post. Then read the summary of each comment, and match it with the correct commenter.

A I think that Candidate 3 got the job. It's true that companies like candidates who have experience, but the person's qualities are more important. The other candidates weren't as interesting.

B Candidate 1 probably got the job because she really prepared for the interview. She looked professional, and said all the right things. Candidate 2 has no chance at all because he was late!

C Candidate 2 definitely got the job. He's experienced, and he came prepared with ideas. OK, he was a little late, but the interviewers probably respected his apology and understood the situation.

- 1 Small problems don't matter as long as you've got qualifications.
A Comment A B Comment B C Comment C
- 2 Preparation and how you look are the most important things.
A Comment A B Comment B C Comment C
- 3 A good personality is better than a lot of experience.
A Comment A B Comment B C Comment C

_____ / 6 (2 points each)