Mock Interviews

What are Mock Interviews?

At these workshops, volunteers from businesses around Derby visit schools to outline the interview process to pupils and what it is that employers are looking for during an interview. Each volunteer is then matched with a pupil to undertake a mock interview. The interviewer will ask a series of prepared questions, noting the quality of response as well as the way the pupil presents her/himself. After each interview, the interviewer and pupil will discuss how the process felt to each of them.

The mock interviews run for a morning or afternoon session and volunteers will interview approximately six pupils during that time.

By the end of the session, pupils should be able to understand what employers are looking for in the interview process and also how best to present themselves and deal with the different types of questions they may be asked. They will also understand how an effective CV or application form will support that process. Additionally they will be able to draw out experiences from all areas of their life including paid work, voluntary work and personal interests and responsibilities.

What support will I get as a volunteer?

Materials for the workshop are provided, including proposed questions and comment sheets for the mock interviews. These will be sent out to volunteers in advance so they are able to familiarise themselves with the workshop content. All materials for both pupils and volunteers will be ready at the school so volunteers will not need to bring any handouts / other materials with them.

How much time do I need to commit?

This is a half day commitment. Although we ask for a minimum commitment of half a day a year, volunteers are welcome to support as many sessions in a year as they are able.

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