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## Question - 1:

What did you like least about your last (or current) job As Independent Contractors?

### Ans:

Don't vent or focus on the negative with brutally honest answers such as "My boss was a jerk," or "The company culture was too politically correct," or "They just weren't giving me the opportunity to take my career to the next level." Instead, keep the emphasis on the positive, even though there are sure to be things you weren't happy about.

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## Question - 2:

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?

### Ans:

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 - 3:

Do you know anyone that works with our company?

### Ans:

Sometimes companies have policies relating to the hiring of individuals related to current company employees. If you are related to anyone working for the company make sure you're aware of company policies before you enter the interview. If you have a friend or acquaintance working for the company make sure have good relationship with this individual before mentioning them.

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## Question - 4:

Why did you select the University \_\_\_\_\_?

### Ans:

Discuss the academic program, the extracurricular program(s), the school spirit, the quality of your peers, and the professors.

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## Question - 5:

Do you ever take work home with you?

### Ans:

Here are two great sample answers that might help get you started:

\* I am an extremely organized person, so I tend to be able to get my work done at work. However, if the need arose I would not be against taking work home. I try not to make it a habit, since I do value my free time. I do realize though that the work we do is important, and sometimes you have to do what needs to be done.

\* I do not shy away from taking work home with me. I know that meeting deadlines and doing outstanding work sometimes means taking a bit of it home. I do not have a problem doing that when the need arises.

\* Make sure to give an honest answer. Lying about taking work home may turn out badly for you if it is required and you do not do it.

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## Question - 6:

What would you like to avoid completely in your next job As Independent Contractors?

### Ans:

Bad business ethics, teammates / managers that are disrespectful / inconsiderate. But of course, this job wouldn't have things like this right?

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**Question - 7:**

What kind of work interests you the least As Independent Contractors?

**Ans:**

What bores you? What fails to challenge you? What fails to excite you?

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**Question - 8:**

What would your previous employer say is your greatest strength?

**Ans:**

Be prepared for this question. If you have to sit and think about it it's going to appear as if you're not sure or that you've never identified your own value in the work place - not good. You don't have to have a complex response. Keep it simple and honest. For example, several possibilities could be Leadership, Problem solving ability, Initiative, Energy, Work ethic, Innovative, etc., etc.

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**Question - 9:**

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

**Ans:**

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 - 10:**

Tell me about a decision you made recently and how you reached it As Independent Contractors?

**Ans:**

The key is to show that you put a lot of thought (weighing out the pros and cons) but were able to be decisive. Be sure to explain your logic in arriving at the decision.

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**Question - 11:**

What did you dislike about your old job?

**Ans:**

Try to avoid any pin point , like never say "I did not like my manager or I did not like environment or I did not like team" Never use negative terminology. Try to keep focus on every thing was good As Independent Contractors , I just wanted to make change for proper growth.

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**Question - 12:**

Describe what a "lot of work" looks like to you As Independent Contractors?

**Ans:**

Ideally you'd like to state that you can take on a lot of work - this shows your work ethic, but at the same time it's okay to tell them that you value work and life balance.

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**Question - 13:**

What three character traits would your friends use to describe you?

**Ans:**

Friends would typically use attributes like (assuming you have these): Trustworthy, honest, hardworking, friendly, courageous, nice, diligent, organized and so forth. Not saying you have all of these, but the best way for you to find out is to survey your friends by asking them what they consider your brand to be.

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**Question - 14:**

What can you offer me that another person can't?

**Ans:**

This is when you talk about your record of getting things done. Go into specifics from your resume and portfolio; show an employer your value and how you'd be an asset.

You have to say, "I'm the best person for the job As Independent Contractors. I know there are other candidates who could fill this position, but my passion for excellence sets me apart from the pack. I am committed to always producing the best results. For example..."

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**Question - 15:**

Top 12 Best Brainteaser Interview Questions:

**Ans:**

Brainteaser questions As Independent Contractors 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 As Independent Contractors.



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 - 16:

What is your philosophy towards work?

#### Ans:

This is typically a straightforward question that merits a straightforward answer. Do you have strong work ethic? Will you do whatever it takes to make sure the job gets done? Just say so in your response. Keep it short, direct and positive.

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### Question - 17:

What do you like to do for fun?

#### Ans:

Be open to sharing hobbies and activities that you enjoy. Make sure you're genuine about it and don't list off things you don't really like because if they ask you a follow up question it'll be harder for you to answer.

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### Question - 18:

What is your typical way of dealing with conflict? Give me an example?

#### Ans:

First, find out what the root of the problem is. Second, determine the best steps to remediation with the best possible outcome. Third, take action to put remediation plans in place.

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### Question - 19:

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

#### Ans:

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 - 20:

Have you ever you have been in a position As Independent Contractors where you've had to fire someone? How did you feel about that experience?

#### Ans:

Be very thoughtful about your answer. This is a very serious matter for most companies and requires a very serious answer. You need to express that you will do it when it is the right thing to do but you don't want to give the impression that you're callous to the process. Don't forget that firing is not the same as laying someone off - it typically is for the direct benefit of the company.

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### Question - 21:

Do you think you are overqualified for this position As Independent Contractors?

#### Ans:

No matter your previous job experience or educational background, be sure to tell the interviewer you have the knowledge and skills to successfully execute the job responsibilities.

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### Question - 22:

What other companies are you interviewing with?

#### Ans:

Companies ask this for a number of reasons, from wanting to see what the competition is for you to sniffing out whether you're serious about the industry. "Often the best approach is to mention that you are exploring a number of other similar options in the company's industry." It can be helpful to mention that a common



characteristic of all the jobs you are applying to is the opportunity to apply some critical abilities and skills that you possess. For example, you might say 'I am applying for several positions with IT consulting firms where I can analyze client needs and translate them to development teams in order to find solutions to technology problems.'

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### Question - 23:

Describe a time where you've failed and bounced back?

#### Ans:

Share a story to describe this. For example: "I accidentally made the mistake of telling a customer I could deliver on a solution set on a certain date and then later found out our business partner couldn't do it on that time. I learned that I shouldn't rush into important decisions and promises like this and that I should always check with my counterparts first before committing to a statement of work."

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### Question - 24:

What motivates you to succeed?

#### Ans:

Your interviewer will likely want to know the reasons why you will remain motivated to do your best during your employment with the company As Independent Contractors. Perhaps you are interested in being challenged, but you may also have interest in being recognized for your hard work in the form of the number of sales you can attain. A great example answer for this question is "I always do my best in everything, including my job. I take pride in my success, and I also want the company for which I work to be successful. Being affiliated with a company that is known for its excellence is very important to me."

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### Question - 25:

What makes you a good manager?

#### Ans:

Describe how you manage people, time, money and energy in the most effective manner to achieve the best return of that investment.

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### Question - 26:

How has school prepared you for this job role?

#### Ans:

Think back to how you've interacted with your peers to develop social skills, how you've worked with classmates on projects to develop teamwork and collaborative skills, how you've developed discipline through studying, how the courses have helped your creativity, and how the classes you've taken have impacted your analytical / problem solving / reasoning skills.

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### Question - 27:

Tell me about a time when you were held accountable for a problem that you hadn't caused?

#### Ans:

If someone puts the blame on you (incorrectly), the best thing you can do is NOT to retaliate. You want to make it known that you were not to blame (explain all the facts) and then focus on fixing the problem in the best way possible.

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### Question - 28:

In what areas do you think you will need guidance?

#### Ans:

Think about what you need to learn going into the job. Skill sets, industry knowledge, relationship building, team dynamics. Which areas are ones you're lacking?

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### Question - 29:

How do you handle conflicts with people you supervise?

#### Ans:

At first place, you try to avoid conflicts if you can. But once it happens and there's no way to avoid it, you try to understand the point of view of the other person and find the solution good for everyone. But you always keep the authority of your position.

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### Question - 30:

If selected for this position As Independent Contractors, can you describe your strategy for the first 90 days?

#### Ans:

This depends on the job role. Make sure you break it down into

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### Question - 31:



What other companies are you interviewing at?

**Ans:**

Be open and share if you are indeed interviewing elsewhere, but do it in a humble way. This way you don't seem arrogant and the interviewer knows your skills are valued by other companies. This also tends to make them want you more as they know they are competing for your services.

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**Question - 32:**

What's been your biggest success to date?

**Ans:**

Talk about a story / experience about how you achieved success and be sure to share details on the results and outcome. Have it highlight a strong characteristic such as leadership, work ethic and so forth.

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**Question - 33:**

What do you already know about our company?

**Ans:**

Good reputation of a large home grown company that has various departments and product.

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**Question - 34:**

Describe what a bad work environment would look like to you As Independent Contractors?

**Ans:**

There could be a multitude of things to discuss here: Business ethics (wrongdoing), inconsiderate teammates, non-supportive management, a product that does not do what you're promising customers and so forth.

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**Question - 35:**

What are the qualities of a good leader As Independent Contractors? A bad leader?

**Ans:**

A good leader provides constructive criticism, motivates and inspires, coaches the mentee to be successful with their set of skills, and encourages them to push themselves. A bad leader only cares about his/her own interests and does not look out for the success of his/her staff.

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**Question - 36:**

How do you define arrogance? Are you arrogant?

**Ans:**

Arrogance is having an attitude of superiority beyond reason. Confidence is believing in yourself without being cocky. You should not be arrogant.

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**Question - 37:**

Describe your work style?

**Ans:**

Describe the positive aspects of your work style if possible, including: work ethic, attention to detail, interpersonal skills, skill sets (analytical or otherwise), leadership abilities, communication skills.

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**Question - 38:**

How would you impact the company?

**Ans:**

Consider first the role that you're applying for and then think of 3 ways where you could potentially impact the company's bottom line and top line. Then consider how you impact the company in a creative manner (how do you help productivity, the development of new products, marketing etc - of course this part is specific to the role you're applying for)

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**Question - 39:**

What is your greatest failure As Independent Contractors, and what did you learn from it?

**Ans:**

When I was in college, I took an art class to supplement my curriculum. I didn't take it very seriously, and assumed that, compared to my Engineering classes, it would be a walk in the park. My failing grades at midterm showed me otherwise. I'd even jeopardized my scholarship status. I knew I had to get my act together. I spent the rest of the semester making up for it, ended up getting a decent grade in the class. I learned that no matter what I'm doing, I should strive to do it to the best of my ability. Otherwise, it's not worth doing at all.

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**Question - 40:**

What does "collaboration with teammates" mean to you?

**Ans:**

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 - 41:**

What other jobs are you applying for As Independent Contractors?

**Ans:**

If you're applying with other similar companies in a similar or the same industry, it's actually okay to state that as it shows you're valued and wanted.

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**Question - 42:**

Describe your vision of your perfect dream job?

**Ans:**

Ideally, the role you're applying for either is that dream job or will help you get to it. If it's going to help you get there, describe the elements of that job role that you are passionate about so that it ties to the vision of what your dream job is. Be honest and talk about the type of work environment, management team / leadership, coworkers, culture, vision and products/services you'd like your dream job to entail.

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**Question - 43:**

If I talked to your three biggest fans, who would they be and why?

**Ans:**

If you can reference three professionals with executive titles (CXO, VP, Director, Manager), that carries a lot of weight. Make sure you highlight how you've helped them achieve their biggest objectives and how that's made them your fan.

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**Question - 44:**

How would you motivate your team members to produce the best possible results?

**Ans:**

Trying to create competitive atmosphere, trying to motivate the team as a whole, organizing team building activities, building good relationships amongst people.

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**Question - 45:**

What would you do if our competitor offered you a position As Independent Contractors?

**Ans:**

I would weigh the offer and consider it, however, this company and this role is my first choice.

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**Question - 46:**

What do you think we could do better or differently?

**Ans:**

This is a common one at startups. Hiring managers want to know that you not only have some background on the company, but that you're able to think critically about it and come to the table with new ideas. So, come with new ideas! What new features would you love to see? How could the company increase conversions? How could customer service be improved? You don't need to have the company's four-year strategy figured out, but do share your thoughts, and more importantly, show how your interests and expertise would lend themselves to the job.

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**Question - 47:**

What features of your previous jobs have you disliked?

**Ans:**

It's easy to talk about what you liked about your job in an interview, but you need to be careful when responding to questions about the downsides of your last position. When you're asked at a job interview about what you didn't like about your previous job, try not to be too negative. You don't want the interviewer to think that you'll speak negatively about this job or the company should you eventually decide to move on after they have hired you.

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**Question - 48:**

What's a time you exercised leadership?

**Ans:**

Depending on what's more important for the the role, you'll want to choose an example that showcases your project management skills (spearheading a project from end to end, juggling multiple moving parts) or one that shows your ability to confidently and effectively rally a team. And remember: "The best stories include





enough detail to be believable and memorable." Show how you were a leader in this situation and how it represents your overall leadership experience and potential.

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**Question - 49:**

If I were to give you this salary you requested but let you write your job description for the next year, what would it say?

**Ans:**

It should say the same thing - after all - if you think this salary is fair then it should suit the responsibilities!

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**Question - 50:**

How do you handle stressful situations?

**Ans:**

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

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**Question - 51:**

Explain an occasion when you had to adapt in the face of a difficult situation?

**Ans:**

One of the most useful interview tactics is to remain positive about your work and achievements. This question lets the candidate draw on their own personal history to show how they have been positive and successful in the face of difficulties. Choose a specific occasion to describe, rather than dealing with generic platitudes.

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**Question - 52:**

What schedule do you hope to work? Are you willing to work extra hours?

**Ans:**

Be honest. If you really want the job and are willing to work any schedule needed, say so. If, however, you have no intention of working late hours or weekends, simply let the interviewer know the hours that you are available to work. The same applies to extra hours. You are more likely to be hired if you are willing to work any time you are needed. However, saying that you are willing and then complaining about the hours once you start working is a recipe for disaster.

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**Question - 53:**

How would you go about establishing your credibility quickly As Independent Contractors with the team?

**Ans:**

Fully understand my responsibilities, work hard and exceed expectations, learn as much as possible, help others as much as possible, understand what my teammates' goals and needs are, be on time, and gain a mentor.

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**Question - 54:**

How do you ensure all of your work gets accomplished in a productive manner?

**Ans:**

The key is to prioritize what's important in your work and to stay organized to accomplish the tasks. A strong work ethic also helps.

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**Question - 55:**

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

**Ans:**

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

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**Question - 56:**

Tell me something about your family background?

**Ans:**

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 - 57:**

When was the last time something upset you at work? What did you do?

**Ans:**

Almost everyone has an emotional moment related to work at some point - you're not alone. The key is to learn why you reacted that way and to focus not on the problem but HOW to resolve it. Another key component is to be aware of your emotional response so that you can learn to control it in the future in a calm way.



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**Question - 58:**

What do you expect to be earning in 5 years As Independent Contractors?

**Ans:**

Discuss how you expect yourself to be excellent at your job. Thus, it would be reasonable to expect pay that is based on the merit of your work.

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**Question - 59:**

Do you like to start personal relationships with other employees?

**Ans:**

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 - 60:**

If you had to choose one, would you consider yourself a big-picture person or a detail-oriented person?

**Ans:**

Both are important. You need to stress that. However, if you could only choose one, ask yourself As Independent Contractors - do you like to be "in the weeds" with your work, or do you want to be the one painting the vision?

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**Question - 61:**

Describe to me the position As Independent Contractors you're applying for?

**Ans:**

This is a "homework" question, too, but it also gives some clues as to the perspective the person brings to the table. The best preparation you can do is to read the job description and repeat it to yourself in your own words so that you can do this smoothly at the interview.

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**Question - 62:**

How do you decide what to delegate and to whom?

**Ans:**

Identify the strengths of your team members and their availability based on the priorities they have on their plate. From there, invest the tasks upon each member based on where you think you'll get the best return.

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**Question - 63:**

How have you changed in the last five years?

**Ans:**

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 - 64:**

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

**Ans:**

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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