## **How to Prepare for Interview Responses**

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As you prepare for your interview, take time to practice some interview questions and self-reflect on your skills and abilities. Practicing for an interview makes a difference. You can set up a mock interview appointment with the BCC to work on your responses and practice answering questions.

## Tell me about yourself

Employers will often start an interview by asking the applicant to give a self-

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## S.T.A.R Method for Behavioral Questions

Employers often ask "tell me about a time when" questions that prompt the applicant to describe a specific example or past behavior. When answering these questions, describe the Situation, Task, Actions and Results (S.T.A.R.). Use a sample question from the Interview Questions Handout to complete the table.

|                 | Your Answer | How does this relate to the company/position? Why is this relevant? |
|-----------------|-------------|---|
| S:<br>Situation |             |   |
| T:<br>Task      |             |   |
| A:<br>Action    |             |   |
| R:<br>Results   |             |   |

In addition to sharing an example, tell the interviewer what yo