



- Introduce yourself and tell them what is going to happen i.e. that they will receive a mock interview with an opportunity for feedback and questions at the end.
- Put the student at ease and tell them to ask if there is anything they do not understand.
- The questions (in bold) below will form the basis of the interview but you do not have to stick to them rigidly. The non-bold type offers some prompts if the student gets stuck and will prompt discussion during the feedback session at the end.

**1 Tell me about yourself**

e.g. your hobbies and interests?

**2 Tell me about your favourite school / college subjects. Why are they your favourite?**

**3 What are you planning to do when you finish your current course at school/college? Why are you choosing to do these subjects / course?**

**NB:** Students sometimes have difficulty in evidencing and justifying the rationale for their choice of Post 16 education / training. Questions 2 and 3 will help students to think about and practice this in preparation for their college / apprenticeship interviews.)

**4 Can you tell me about your experience of work?**

**NB:** Many students will not have had a formal work experience placement through school. Encourage them to think of other examples outside of school to demonstrate skills and experience e.g. working for or helping family members, part-time jobs, volunteering, caring, babysitting etc.

a What did you do? What did you most / least enjoy? What skills have you learnt?

Or...

b What type of work experience would you like to do? Why? What skills could you learn?

**5 Can you give me an example of when you have had to work as part of a team? What was involved? What was your role? Were you successful?**

**6 What do you feel are your strengths?**

What are you good at? What are your personal qualities?

**7 What do you feel are your areas for improvement? What are you not so good at? How do you overcome them? How do you present them in a positive way?**

**8 What three words would you use to describe yourself? How would you promote yourself to an employer? How would your friends describe you?**

**9 Where do you see yourself in 10 years' time?**

**10 Do you have any questions you would like to ask?**