

Practice Interview Questions

General Questions:

1. Why do you want to be a _____?
2. What are your qualifications?
3. Why should I hire you?
4. Weak point and strong point that reflect your abilities as an employee?
5. What can you tell me about the apprenticeship program?

Electrical:

6. What are three things you look for in a job?
7. Why should we choose you?
8. What skills or training do you have?
9. What do you do in your spare time?
10. What do you know about the union/training program?
11. Why do you want to be an electrician?
12. How do we know you can work hard physically in all kinds of weather?
13. What will you do if not selected?

Carpentry:

14. What does a carpenter do?
15. What's the difference between a journeyman and an apprentice?
16. Carpentry is hard work, can you do it?
17. What will you do if laid off?
18. What qualifications/experience do you have?
19. Are you afraid of heights?
20. How do you receive criticism? Give an example.
21. Where do you see yourself in the trades ten years from now?



Sheetmetal:

- 22. What is your greatest strength/weakness?
- 23. What are your hobbies?
- 24. How would you rate your math interest level and ability level?
- 25. Why do you want to be a sheetmetal worker?
- 26. What best qualifies you for the job?
- 27. Why do you think that you are a good candidate?

Operating Engineers:

- 28. What do you know about this apprenticeship?
- 29. What do you think it will take to be a successful apprentice in this trade?
- 30. Starting at a lower wage, how can you financially prepare yourself for travel and hotel costs?
- 31. Lay offs are common in this field. How can you prepare yourself for possible layoffs?
- 32. Why should I choose you over anybody else that will apply?

Bricklayers:

- 33. Give an example of work you have done working on your knees.
- 34. What are your best and worst work qualities?

Plumber/Steamfitter:

- 35. What educational background do you have that applies to this trade?
- 36. What accomplishments in your life are you most proud of?
- 37. What do you do in your spare time? Hobbies/interests?
- 38. Plumbing and steamfitting are physical trades. Can you handle it?
- 39. How important is working together as a team and how would you do so?
- 40. Describe how you would solve a problem with your journeyman or someone else on the job.

