Interview Guidance for Candidates









Guidance on behavioural based interviews

Behavioural (also referred to as competency) based interviews focus on how candidates have handled work situations in the past.

The logic behind this is that behaviour in the past, reflects and indicates potential behaviour in the future.

Behavioural based questions usually lead you towards describing a situation or task. They typically start with;

- Tell me about a time when...
- Give an example of when...
- Describe a time when...

Preparing for the interview

1. Think of your achievements

The best place to start is to think through some of your achievements in recent years. Think of the details of what happened, what went well, what you would change, what the outcome was and what you learned.

This will make it easier for you to adapt your examples to show how you demonstrated different behaviours.

2. Review the behaviours

Make sure you know the accountabilities and criteria of the role, and the key behaviours that are being assessed. Try and think about what questions you may be asked for each behaviour and how you might answer them.

3. Don't over prepare

If you over-prepare for an interview, the answers can be too rehearsed and may not sound natural. Or the answers may be so specific that they fail to answer the question that is actually being asked.



During the interview

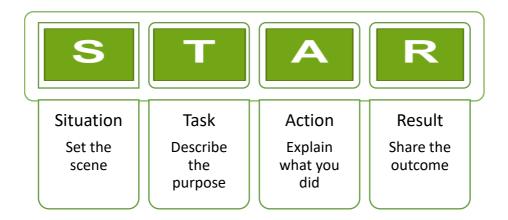
The interviewers will ask questions based on the behaviours best suited for the job.

Listen carefully to the question and feel free to take a moment to think before you give your answer. If you're unsure about what you're being asked, feel free to ask for clarification before you start answering.

This will help to make sure you're are choosing the right example and answering the question being asked.

STAR Model

The STAR Model is a structure to help you provide specific examples to questions. The interviewers will ask you follow up questions if they need any more information.



This will help keep your answer clear and concise. Always make sure you emphasise how **you** contributed to the outcome.

The interviewers will be taking notes during the interview, try not to be put off by this, it's just so they can refer back later when scoring.

You will have the opportunity to ask questions at the end.

After the interview

Feedback will be available upon request.

If you have any questions, contact our HR helpline; 1HR Direct on 0141 614 9980.



Guidance on the behaviours

There are 6 behaviours in our model;



Favourable Indicators and Scoring

There are favourable indicators for each of these behaviours which can be used in the recruitment process.

These have been developed as examples of what the behaviours might look like at different levels, however they aren't prescriptive or exhaustive.

The interview will be scored following the below 1-4 rating;

1: Unsatisfactory

Candidate provided no evidence in relation to indicators, even when probing questions used.

2: Moderate

Candidate provided some evidence of the required indicators; however key training and/or development needs were identified

3: Good

Candidate provided evidence demonstrating most of the required indicators, showing good potential for the role. Some minor training and/or development needs were identified.

4: Outstanding

Candidate provided evidence demonstrating all of the required indicators for the role. Training and/or development needs would be minimal.

Categories in the Behaviour Model

Individual Contributor

Technical, professional individuals at various levels of the organisation.

Typically expected to deliver set pieces of work at varying levels of complexity according to set timescales for the successful delivery of goals.

ine Manager

Clearly understands the tactical goals for own area and monitors, organises and delegates work on a day-to-day basis to drive successful delivery.

Makes people a priority, treats them fairly, gives recognition to work well done and dedicates time to the personal development of others.

This also applies to those who manage in a matrix management system, manage external resources, or work on large, long term projects where they are required to lead people.

Business Leader

Leader of people who sets the direction of the organisation and makes company level decisions.

Makes functional strategy and goals a reality. Shares the vision of the organisation widely.

Adapts leadership style appropriately and makes developing people and sharing talent a business priority.

Behaviours of INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTOR





Take responsibility for your own learning and development

Give and receive fact-based **feedback** skilfully and freely to acknowledge and encourage learning

Challenge the status quo to Improve tasks/ processes. Be **curious**, take appropriate risks and learn **from mistakes**





Empower to grow

Work autonomously and accept accountability for results

Be responsive to **change**. Solve problems using initiative by anticipating future needs and opportunities

Assume new **challenges** and experiences that drive personal and professional growth



Collaborate & share

Work to build a great team

Build productive **relationships** by sharing knowledge and information across the organisation

Show flexibility and empathy, appreciate others views. Value diversity and contributions from different backgrounds showing an inclusive attitude



Be a role model

Treat others as they would like to be treated. Be **consistent**

Communicate with conviction in a clear and genuine way to generate a positive impact

> Act with transparency. Be honest and open



Focus

to achieve results

Set ambitious but realistic objectives and priorities to achieve success by anticipating internal and external customer needs

Work In a sustainable way and understand its impact and contribution to the results of the organisation, in the long-term

Focus on **excellence** In 'what' and 'how' they deliver to get high performance



Be agile



Work efficiently and effectively looking for simplicity, avoiding unnecessary steps and processes

Make decisions with **agility**, thoughtfully and with focus on objectives

Take advantage of all the resources at their disposal. Seek opportunities to do things in a different way using different approaches to problem solving







Behaviours of LINE MANAGER





Drive own personal **development** and promote learning and development to grow the skills of the team

Generate opportunities to give and receive feedback as a source of acknowledgement and continuous learning

Encourage others to challenge the status quo to Improve tasks/processes. Create an environment of appropriate risk taking and learning from mistakes





Empower to grow

Set high performance standards for the team

Recognise everyone's strengths and expectations. **Delegate** appropriately to the team to promote growth

Enhance **change** and encourage others to act by anticipating future needs and opportunities

Suggests new **challenges** to different people and situations to foster personal and professional growth



Promote and work to build a great **team**

Identify and encourage opportunities for **sharing** knowledge and information across the organisation

Promote **flexibility** and **empathy**.
Build a diverse team and value the skills of all team members, embracing other views and creating an **inclusive culture**



Be a role model

Lead by example and maintain behavioural consistency

Inspire the team in how they communicate and act

Manage with integrity and transparency, fostering an ethical culture





to achieve results

Seek out challenging goals and deliver outstanding results by anticipating internal and external customer needs

Work in a **sustainable** way understanding a local and global vision, creating value for the future

Encourage excellence to the team In how they deliver, rewarding and challenging the team to get high performance





Promote and role model working in an effective and efficient way. Foster simplicity, avoiding unnecessary steps and processes

Show and promote **agility**, thoughtful and focused decision making to achieve objectives

Encourage **innovative** and different approaches to problem solving. Openly encourage the use of technology and **digitalization**





Behaviours of BUSINESS LEADER





Lead by example of **self-development**.

Deploy different coaching leadership styles for different people and circumstances to foster development

Promote **feedback** as a source of acknowledgement and continuous learning

Foster an environment that challenges the status quo to Improve processes. Promote a culture of appropriate risk taking and learning from mistakes





Empower to grow

Recognise everyone's strengths and expectation and deliver outstanding results by **delegating** effectively

Drive **change** and encourage others to act by anticipating future needs and opportunities

Challenge people to perform beyond their area of comfort to grow our talent



Build team spirit across the function.

Create and maintain positive internal and external working relationships

Create a strong culture that promotes sharing and builds synergies across the Iberdrola Group

Build a culture of **flexibility** and **empathy** where **diversity** and Inclusion is a reality



Be a role model

Lead by example reinforcing a culture of trust, openness and consistency

Inspire others. Communicate the vision and strategy with passion and authenticity

Lead with integrity and transparency.

Promote an ethical culture



to achieve results

Translate organisational targets and objectives into challenging goals for their teams and themselves

Deliver outstanding results in a sustainable way, creating value for the future to all stakeholders

Encourage **excellence**. Create an environment of rewards and action plan to get high performance





Create a culture of simplicity avoiding unnecessary steps and processes, which encourage working in an effective and efficient way

Show and promote an environment of agility, thoughtful and focused decision making aligned with the Group strategy

Encourage innovative and creative ideas to support the achievement of goals and digitalization of the company

