

Job interviews for a summer camp

Here is some additional vocabulary for each job to help with discussion in Step 1. Also, you find a few possible 'difficult questions' you could ask about each job in Steps 3 and 4, and some ideas for possible answers.

Sports & activity organiser

activities for sporty and non-sporty children	Aktivitäten für sportliche / weniger sportliche Kinder
sport kits / equipment	Sportkleidung / Ausrüstung
to establish rules for games / activities	die Regeln für Spiele / Aktivitäten festlegen
danger awareness [ə'weənəs]	Bewusstsein für Gefahren
awareness of fair play	Bewusstsein für Fairplay
tropical climate [ˈtrɒpɪkl ˌklaɪmət]	tropisches Klima



Q: You say you love sports. But give me concrete examples of activities you could offer the children who aren't so sporty. How can you make them happy too?

A: - Spontaneously, I would say ...
- Well, I can't give you examples right now, but before camp starts I'll know ...
- Do you have any helpful tips for me/us?

Q: Accidents can easily happen when groups of children are involved in activities. What do you have to say about that?

A: - Of course I'll do everything I can to prepare myself for situations like that.
- I've got a little sister / brother so believe me, I'm used to situations like that and I'll know what to do.

Cafeteria helper

healthy / tasty food	gesundes / leckeres Essen
time-saving recipes	zeitsparende Rezepte
food issue / allergy / intolerance [ɪn'tɔːlmz]	Essensproblem / Allergie / Unverträglichkeit
vegetarian / vegan [vi:ɡən]	vegetarisch / vegan
lactose-free [ˈlæktəʊs,frɪ:] / gluten-free [glu:tn,frɪ:]	laktosefrei / glutenfrei
food for theme parties	Essen für Mottopartys
to know how to cook the basics	die Grundlagen des Kochens beherrschen



Q: There isn't always a lot of time to prepare food at camp. So give me an example of a great time-saving recipe.

A: - That's easy: My favourite quick recipe is ...
- I'm going to start collecting recipes soon.
- I think sandwiches / salads / ... are always a quick and healthy choice.

Q: Give me one example of what kind of a lunch or dinner meal you can offer a child with a lactose / with a gluten intolerance.

A: - Well, I have a/an ... intolerance myself, so I know what to do. I would make ...
- I need to read more about these issues. Do you have a handbook with tips?

Entertainments organiser

to cater [ˈkɛtə] to different personalities / likes / skills	auf verschiedene Persönlichkeiten / Vorlieben / Fähigkeiten eingehen
indoor / outdoor activities for good / bad weather	Innen-/Freiluftaktivitäten für gutes / schlechtes Wetter
to make sure everyone is busy / involved / having fun	dafür sorgen, dass alle beschäftigt / eingebunden sind / dass alle Spaß haben
talent shows / sport activities and competitions / theme parties	Talentshows / Sportaktivitäten und Wettbewerbe / Mottopartys



Q: Describe the perfect theme party that would interest both boys and girls. How would you decorate? What costumes could you imagine for the kids? What activities?

A: – Oh, there's a lot to consider. First, I think ...
– Actually, I don't think *my* ideas are important. I'd ask the kids what *they* want to do.
– I know from my own experience that tropical / pirate / ... parties are always very popular.

Q: How would you motivate a young person who *doesn't* feel talented to participate in something like a talent show or other evening entertainment?

A: – There are always jobs to do behind the scenes, if somebody *really* didn't want to be on stage.
– I think I would encourage everyone to *try* it.
– I would tell the kids that it's about doing something new, not about being perfect.

Big sister / Big brother

food / water / batteries / charger / torch / other necessities for an overnight stay in a tent	Essen / Wasser / Batterien / Ladegerät / Taschenlampe / sonstige Ausstattung für eine Übernachtung im Zelt
to have a first-aid kit [fɜːstˈeɪd ˌkɪt] / to know what to do in an emergency	Eine Reiseapotheke dabei haben / wissen, was man im Notfall tun sollte
to be prepared for extreme weather	auf extreme Wetterlagen vorbereitet sein
to give good advice / to know a bit about child psychology [tʃaɪld saɪkələdʒi]	gute Ratschläge geben / sich ein bisschen mit Kinderpsychologie auskennen
to establish the rules for living together / for doing chores	Regeln für das Zusammenleben / für Pflichten festlegen



Q: Why do you think you'd be a great 'Big brother' / 'Big sister'?

A: – Well, my friends always come to me for advice, so I could play that role for kids too.
– In real life I'm a big brother / sister, so I think I have the right qualifications.
– I always wished I had a big brother / sister; I'd like to be that person for other kids.

Q: Do you know anything about child psychology?

A: – Well, in real life I'm a big brother / sister, so I think I can relate to children very well.
– Actually, that's something I would like to learn more about. I'm glad I'll have time before camp starts and at camp too!
– I'm taking part in this camp to learn about children. I don't have all the answers already.