ELEVATOR PITCH GUIDE

Tips & Info
for perfecting the key ingredient to job search success

KNOW YOUR AUDIENCE
Better yet, research them! Find out who they are and how that is relevant to you. Knowing you’ve done your homework will make you more confident!

MAKE EYE CONTACT
This demonstrates confidence, interest and respect. And always address the individual by their proper name - “old school” manners can have a big impact!

PREPARE AN OUTLINE

STEP 1
What are your key strengths or positive qualities?

STEP 2
Why are you interested in this organization, or more generally, this industry?

STEP 3
What unique contributions will you make?

PERFECT YOUR PITCH:
Practice, practice, practice! Finalize a cohesive elevator pitch, so when you have the opportunity to express what makes you AWESOME, you can capitalize!

KNOW THE NUMBERS

33%
Percentage of bosses that claimed they know within 90 SECONDS during a conversation whether they will hire someone

TIME TO SELL YOURSELF
1 min > 3 min

Appearance & confidence matters even more than what you actually say - pay close attention to the non-verbal cues you give during your pitch.

CARE ABOUT CLOTHES

50%
Percentage of bosses who said CLOTHES would be the deciding factor between two similar candidates

COMMON NONVERBAL MISTAKES

EYE CONTACT: Failure to make or maintain eye contact

HANDSHAKE: Too weak of a handshake can signal lack of confidence

KNOWLEDGE: Having little to NO knowledge of the organization

SMILE: Lack of smile or energy

Most common interview question
“TELL ME ABOUT YOURSELF”*