

It starts with Scouts.

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## **Interview Assessment Summary**

	Questions	Assessment Concern	Strong/Weak/Concern
Background	How long have you lived here? Can you tell me about where you come from? Can you tell me a bit about your family? What is it about volunteering with children that appeals to you?	frequent changes of residence/employment; prefers the company of children; lacks close connections with adults; believes children are more understanding than adults.	
Motivation	What made you decide to apply for this position? What do you hope to achieve in this role? What are your personal goals for this position?	uncomfortable with eye contact (Caution: not all cultures are.); body language that does not match what they are saying; over involvement with youth; unrealistic expectations	
Mission & Principles	Commitment to the Mission and Principles is a condition of membership in Scouting. What is it about the Mission that makes you want to volunteer? Are there any points here that you would like clarified?	<i>questioning reference to</i> God	

	Do your personal beliefs and convictions allow you to take this commitment? If a year old asked you to give examples of how you live according to these Principles as expressed by the Promise and Law, what might you tell them? Would you be able to promote this organization and what it stands for?		
Commitment	What other volunteer work do you do in your leisure time? Describe your experience in the outdoors that will help with the exciting plans we have for the year.	over commitment	
	(If no experience in outdoors, explain the expectation i.e. can't opt out, describe resources available to help.) What concerns do you have about this		
Skills & Interest	expectation? What skills, interests and experience do you	volunteering for credit or because they are	
	have that might be helpful to you in the role of?	lonely, going through a transition and seeing this as a diversion; have needs greater that the volunteer experience	

	What activities or aspects of the role are you looking forward to the most? The least? Do you have any other commitments that might conflict with this role?	Pay close attention to what they answer for 'the least' as it may indicate whether the individual will be a 'fit' for the role or not. Don't be afraid to probe it, if it plays a significant part of the role.	
	How would you ensure that the outdoor aspect of Scouting gets its proper emphasis in the program? (If this is a new area, the individual may need time to reflect – you can discuss ideas that have worked for others as well as ideas that haven't worked so well.)		
	We realize that you bring a variety of skills and experience to the role. Are you prepared to develop basic skills and knowledge for delivering the programs (or for managing the group, etc.?)		
Suitability	Leaders in Scouting are powerful role models for our young people. Do you remember who your role models were when you were growing up?	justification of harsh discipline strategies; harsh or unrealistic attitudes about children; unable to identify positive childhood role models; feelings of	

	<ul> <li>How did they help you?</li> <li>How did they deal with discipline?</li> <li>What type of a role model would you be to youth in our group?</li> <li>What is it that you enjoy about being with children</li> <li>Tell me about a situation when your patience was being tested by a child and how you responded.</li> <li>Have you ever had sexual contact with a child or children? Have any of your actions towards a child been perceived by anyone as sexual in nature?</li> <li>Have you had any involvement with the police or any other authorities that would reflect on your suitability to hold this position?</li> <li>Have you read the organization's "Duty of Care" document?</li> </ul>	bitterness/resentment; combative stance towards others, overdependence, inability to deal with strong emotions; prejudice towards certain groups	
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	Do you understand this document? How do you feel about it? Can you accept to be guided by it in this position?		
Teamwork & Following Procedures	There are a variety of opportunities to work with other people in Scouting. Do you prefer to work alone, with two or three people, or in larger groups?	inability to work on a team; lack of respect for procedure unsafe work habits or recreation; thrill seeking; prejudices; many accidents, easily bored	
	Please tell me about any experiences you may have had with disabled people/children/seniors		
	Like every organization, Scouting has rules, procedures and guidelines. These sometimes require extra effort or care in providing the program or completing a project. Can you tell us about a time at work or in another situation where rules got in the way of getting things done? How did you handle it?		
Vision For Youth	Youth today are faced with many challenges as they grow up. What do you think are the greatest challenges facing young people in	distrust of conventional authorities; lack of optimism for future; wanting to provide children with	

our community? How do you think you can help them through Scouting?"	something he/she never experienced	
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