

## Questions Frequently Asked by Interviewers

1. So, tell me about yourself.
2. What caused you to become interested in teaching?
3. What are your greatest strengths? Your biggest weakness? - best to keep this short.
4. What two or three accomplishments have given you the most satisfaction? - make them job related or something that shows responsibility.
5. How do you work under pressure?
6. What are your short and long-term goals?
7. What qualifications do you have to qualify you for this position and/or what contributions can you make to our school? - This is where your background research is helpful.
8. How do you assess student progress?
9. Why do you want to teach in our school or district?
10. What grade levels or subjects do you prefer to teach?
11. Tell me about your teaching experience/student teaching experience.
12. How would you describe your personality? How would your friends describe you? How would your students describe you?
13. What extra curricular activities interest you? Are you qualified to direct them?
14. Have you had experience with diverse populations?
15. What organizations do you belong to and have you had other work experience? What have you gained from the experience?
16. Do you have plans for continued study?
17. What do you expect from your principal?
18. What is your overall GPA? What is your GPA in your major?
19. What motivates you to put forth your best effort?

20. Describe your classroom management style.
21. Describe a very successful lesson that you have taught.
22. How do you approach planning your lessons?
23. Explain how you would adapt a lesson for a special needs student.
24. Tell me what you know about state standards.
25. What subjects did you like the best/least?
26. What have you learned from the jobs you've held?
27. What type of books do you read when it's for pleasure?
28. Do you think your grades are a good indication of your academic achievement?
29. What causes you to lose your temper?
30. What have you learned from your mistakes/failures?
31. Describe a situation which required you to be flexible.
32. Describe the most difficult situation you faced during student teaching and how you resolved that situation.
33. Why did you attend the University of Nebraska at Omaha?
34. Do you have any questions for me?
35. If you could change any part of your background or experience what would it be?

Expect at least one situational question. You will be given a set of circumstances and asked how you might react to the situation.

Your answers should be frank, brief and complete without rambling.