1. Share an experience you had in dealing with a difficult person and how you handled the situation.
2. Share an effective method you have used to provide patrons with information about local features.
3. What is the key to success when communicating with the public.
4. Describe a time when you successfully provided personal assistance to a coworker or patron.
5. Share an experience in which you successfully shared a difficult piece of information. (Make sure that the
candidate has open lines of communication.)
6. Tell me how you organize, plan, and prioritize your work.
7. Share an experience when you applied new technology or information in your job. How did it help your
company?
8. Tell me about an experience in which you analyzed information and evaluated results to choose the best
solution to a problem.
9. Share an example of a time you had to gather information from multiple sources. How did you determine
which information was relevant?
10. Provide an experience in which your ability to actively find ways to help people improved your company
or your own work ethic.
11. Provide an example of a time when you were able to demonstrate excellent listening skills. What was the
situation and outcome?
12. Give me an example of when you thought outside of the box. How did it help your employer?
13. Share an example of when you went above and beyond the "call of duty". (Look for answers that show the
candidate is dependable.)
14. Name a time when your patience was tested. How did you keep your emotions in check?

15. Provide an experience in which you were sensitive to somone's needs or feelings. How did your helpfulness affect your work environment?
16. How do you balance cooperation with others and independent thinking? Share an example. (Try to determine if the candidate has a cooperative attitude or is otherwise good-natured.)
17. Provide an example when your ethics were tested.
18. Share an experience in which your attention to detail and thoroughness had an impact on your last company.
19. Provide a time when you dealt calmly and effectively with a high-stress situation.
20. Tell me about a time when you developed your own way of doing things or were self-motivated to finish an important task.
21. Provide a time when you worked in a rapidly evolving workplace. How did you deal with the change? (Make sure the candidate is flexible.)
22. Tell me about the last time you monitored or reviewed information and detected a problem. How did you respond?
23. Please share an experience in which you presented to a group. What was the situation and how did it go?
24. Share a time when you willingly took on additional responsibilities or challenges. How did you successfully meet all of the demands of these responsibilities? (Make sure the candidate is a self-starter and can demonstrate some initiative.)
25. Share an experience in which your willingness to lead or offer an opinion helped your company.
26. Provide an example of when you were persistent in the face of obstacles.
27. Provide an example of a time when you successfully organized a diverse group of people to accomplish a

task.
28. Provide an experience in which you made travel arrangements.
29. Provide an example when you were able to prevent a problem because you foresaw the reaction of another
person.
30. Name a time when you identified strengths and weaknesses of alternative solutions to problems. What was
the impact?
31. Share an experience in which personal connections to coworkers or others helped you to be successful in
your work. (Make sure candidate works well with others.)
32. Describe your experience performing office duties.
33. Name a time when your creativity or alternative thinking solved a problem in your workplace.
34. Tell me about your experience picking up, delivering items, and running errands for guests.
35. Provide an experience in which you successfully carried out an unusual request for a patron.
36. Please share with me an example of how you helped coach or mentor someone. What improvements did
you see in the person's knowledge or skills?
37. Describe an experience in which you identified the educational needs of your students and successfully
developed a way to teach/train them.
38. Share an experience in which you successfully coordinated with others. How about a coordination effort
that was not as successful?
39. Tell me about a successful event, party, or meeting which you planned.
40. In your experience, what is the key to developing a good team? (Look for how they build mutual trust,
respect, and cooperation.)

41. Share an experience in which you effectively arranged for the replacement of an item lost by a traveler.
42. Share an example of when you established and accomplished a goal that was personally challenging. What
helped you succeed?
43. What have you found to be the best way to monitor the performance of your work and/or the work of
others? Share a time when you had to take corrective action.
44. Share an effective approach to working with a large amount of information/data. How has your approach
affected your company?
45. Provide your experience arranging for interpreters and translators.
46. Name a time when your advice to management led to an improvement in your company or otherwise
helped your employer.
47. Provide an example of when you set expectations and monitored the performance of subordinates. What
guidance and direction did you find most effective?
48. In your experience, what is the key to ensuring your company was compliant with all laws, regulations and
standards that were applicable to your area of responsibility?
49. Provide an experience that demonstrates your ability to manage time effectively. What were the challenges
and results?
50. Provide a time when you were able to identify a complex problem, evaluate the options, and implement a
solution. How did the solution benefit your employer?
51. Share an experience in which your ability to consider the costs or benefits of a potential action helped you
choose the most appropriate action.
52. Describe a time when you successfully persuaded another person to change his/her way of thinking or
behavior.

53. Describe an experience in which your ability to work well with others and reconcile differences helped
your company or employer. (Make sure the candidate knows how to negotiate.)
54. Share an experience in which your understanding of a current or upcoming problem helped your company
to respond to the problem.
55. Tell me about a recent experience you've had working with your hands.
56. How would you rate your writing skills? (Ask for an example that demonstrates great writing skills.)