Animal Handler Interview Questions

1. Tell me about a recent experience you've had working with your hands.
2. Share an example of when you went above and beyond the "call of duty". (Look for answers that show the candidate is dependable.)
3. Describe your experience mixing food, liquid formulas, medications, and/or food supplements.
4. Share an effective method you have used to detect signs of illness, disease, or injury in animals.
5. Share an experience in which your attention to detail and thoroughness had an impact on your last company.
6. Provide an experience in which you effectively treated a sick or injured animal.
7. Tell me about a time when you developed your own way of doing things or were self-motivated to finish an important task.
Important task.
8. Share an experience in which you effectively cleaned, organized, maintained, and disinfected animal quarters.
9. What is the state of your records of animal information? What is something you would like to improve?
10. Provide an experience in which you successfully performed animal grooming duties.
11. Share an example of a time you had to gather information from multiple sources. How did you determine which information was relevant?
12. Tell me how you organize, plan, and prioritize your work.
13. Tell me about an experience in which you analyzed information and evaluated results to choose the best solution to a problem.
14. Provide an example when your ethics were tested.

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15. Provide a time when you worked in a rapidly evolving workplace. How did you deal with the change?
(Make sure the candidate is flexible.)
16. Share an effective method you have used to ensure the safety of humans and animals in public petting and
feeding areas.
17. Describe your experience anesthetizing and inoculating animals.
18. Share an experience in which you answered a difficult patron question or provided a patron with
information about his/her animal.
19. Name a time when your patience was tested. How did you keep your emotions in check?
20. 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.)