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1. Provide an example of a time when you were able to demonstrate excellent listening skills. What was the
situation and outcome?
2. Tell me about an effective lecture which you prepared and/or delivered to students. How about one which
was not as effective?
3. Name a time when your advice to management led to an improvement in your company or otherwise helped
your employer.
4. 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?
5. Describe an experience in which you identified the educational needs of your students and successfully
developed a way to teach/train them.
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6. In your experience, what is the key to developing a good team? (Look for how they build mutual trust,
respect, and cooperation.)
7. Share an experience you had in dealing with a difficult person and how you handled the situation.
8. Share an experience in which you successfully shared a difficult piece of information. (Make sure that the
candidate has open lines of communication.)
9. Tell me how you organize, plan, and prioritize your work.
10. What are some long-range objectives that you developed in your last job? What did you do to achieve
them?
11. Share an experience when you applied new technology or information in your job. How did it help your
company?
12. Give me an example of when you thought outside of the box. How did it help your employer?
13. Tell me about an experience in which you analyzed information and evaluated results to choose the best

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solution to a problem.
14. Share an effective approach to working with a large amount of information/data. How has your approach
affected your company?
15. Share an example of a time you had to gather information from multiple sources. How did you determine
which information was relevant?
16. Share an experience in which your ability to consider the costs or benefits of a potential action helped you
choose the most appropriate action.
17. 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?
18. Please share an experience in which you successfully taught a difficult principle or concept. How were you
able to be successful?
19. Share an experience in which you used new training skills, ideas, or a method to adapt to a new situation
or improve an ongoing one. (Look for the candidate's ability to learn.)
20. Share an experience in which your understanding of a current or upcoming problem helped your company
to respond to the problem.