Thrower Interview Questions

1. Tell me about a recent experience you've had working with your hands.
2. Name a time when you prepared work for sale or exhibition, and maintain relationships with retail, pottery,
art, and resource networks that can facilitate sale or exhibition of work.
3. Walk me through how you would mix and apply glazes, and load glazed pieces into kilns for firing.
4. What is the key to success when communicating with the public.
5. Share an experience in which you've successfully learned how to handle a new piece of equipment?
6. Tell me how you organize, plan, and prioritize your work.
7. Give me an example of when you thought outside of the box. How did it help your employer?
8. Tell me about the last time you monitored or reviewed information and detected a problem. How did you
respond?
9. Share an example of a time you had to gather information from multiple sources. How did you determine
which information was relevant?
10. Share your approach to adjust wheel speeds according to the feel of the clay as pieces enlarge and walls
become thinner.
11. Share an experience in which your diligence of inspecting equipment, structures, or materials helped you
identify a problem or the cause of a problem.
12. Share an example when you successfully raised and shaped clay into wares such as vases and pitchers, on
revolving wheels, using hands, fingers, and thumbs.
13. Share an experience in which your attention to detail and thoroughness had an impact on your last
company.
14. What kind of experience do you have designing clay forms and molds, and decorations for forms?

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15. Share an experience when you applied new technology or information in your job. How did it help your
company?
16. Describe methods you have found helpful to examine finished ware for defects and measure dimensions,
using rule and thickness gauge.
17. Name a time when you operated drying chambers to dry or finish molded ceramic ware.
18. Walk me through how you would perform test-fires of pottery to determine how to achieve specific colors
and textures.
19. Tell me about an experience in which you analyzed information and evaluated results to choose the best
solution to a problem.
20. Tell me about a time when you developed your own way of doing things or were self-motivated to finish
an important task.