

Train Inspector Interview Questions

1. Describe a time when you successfully serviced, repaired, or tested a machine or device that operates mainly by mechanical principles.

2. Tell me about your qualifications for and your experience handling vehicles and/or mechanized equipment.

3. What kind of experience do you have inspecting vehicles or other equipment for evidence of abuse, damage, or mechanical malfunction?

4. Describe methods you have found effective to conduct vehicle or transportation equipment tests, using diagnostic equipment.

5. Share an example when you effectively inspected vehicles or equipment to ensure compliance with rules, standards, or regulations.

6. Share an experience in which you've successfully learned how to handle a new piece of equipment?

7. Tell me about a recent experience you've had working with your hands.

8. Share an experience when you applied new technology or information in your job. How did it help your company?

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 an experience you had in dealing with a difficult person and how you handled the situation.

11. Describe a time when you successfully serviced, repaired, calibrated, or tested a device that operates mainly by electronic principles.

12. Describe an experience when you inspected repairs to transportation vehicles or equipment to ensure that repair work was performed properly.

13. Share an experience in which your attention to detail and thoroughness had an impact on your last company.

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14. Share an example of when you went above and beyond the "call of duty". (Look for answers that show the candidate is dependable.)
15. Tell me about the last time when you had to investigate complaints regarding safety violations.
16. Tell me about an experience in which you analyzed information and evaluated results to choose the best solution to a problem.
17. Walk me through how you would examine carrier operating rules, employee qualification guidelines, or carrier training and testing programs for compliance with regulations or safety standards.
18. What is the most challenging part of issuing notices and recommending corrective actions when infractions or problems are found?
19. What factors do you consider when investigating and making recommendations on carrier requests for waiver of federal standards?
20. Tell me about a time when you developed your own way of doing things or were self-motivated to finish an important task.