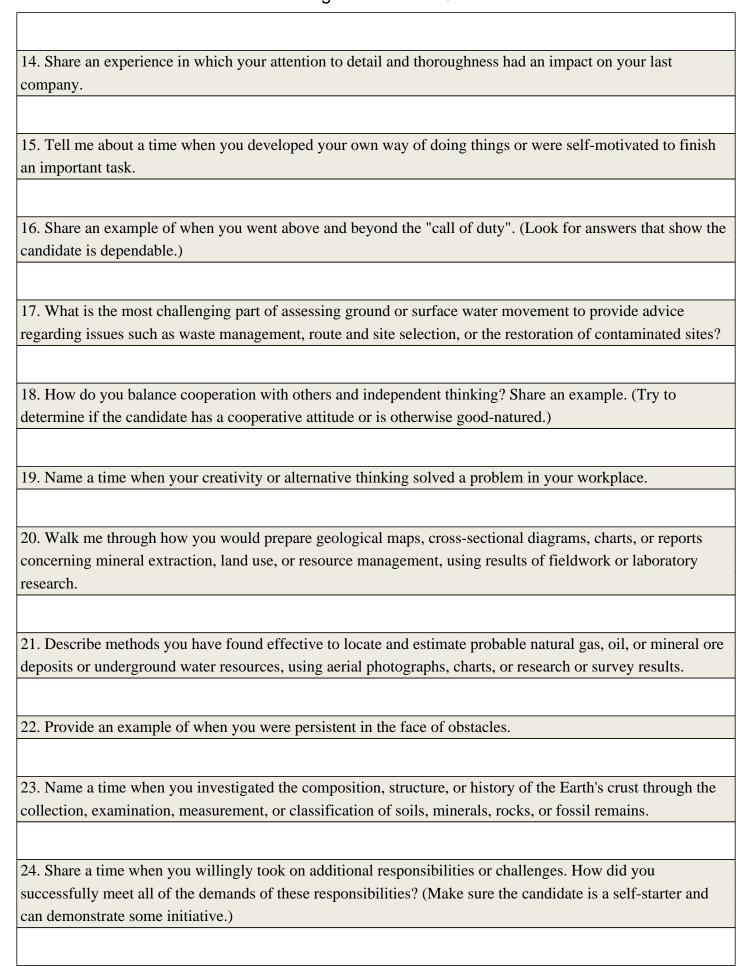
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1. Name a time when your advice to management led to an improvement in your company or otherwise helped
your employer.
2. What kind of experience do you have analyzing and interpreting geological, geochemical, or geophysical
information from sources such as survey data, well logs, bore holes, or aerial photos?
3. Describe an experience when you planned or conducted geological, geochemical, or geophysical field
studies or surveys, sample collection, or drilling and testing programs used to collect data for research or
application.
4. Share an experience you had in dealing with a difficult person and how you handled the situation.
5. Tell me how you organize, plan, and prioritize your work.
6. Share an experience when you applied new technology or information in your job. How did it help your
company?
7. Give me an example of when you thought outside of the box. How did it help your employer?
8. Tell me about an experience in which you analyzed information and evaluated results to choose the best
solution to a problem.
9. Share a time when you successfully used scientific rules or methods to solve a problem at work.
10. Provide an example of a time when you were able to demonstrate excellent listening skills. What was the
situation and outcome?
11. How would you rate your writing skills? (Ask for an example that demonstrates great writing skills.)
12. 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?
13. Provide an example of a time when you successfully organized a diverse group of people to accomplish a
task.

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25. Provide an experience that demonstrates your ability to manage time effectively. What were the challenges and results?
26. Provide a time when you worked in a rapidly evolving workplace. How did you deal with the change?
(Make sure the candidate is flexible.)
27. Provide a time when you dealt calmly and effectively with a high-stress situation.
28. When is the last time you conducted geological or geophysical studies to provide information for use in
regional development, site selection, or development of public works projects?
29. Name a time when your patience was tested. How did you keep your emotions in check?
30. Share an experience in which your willingness to lead or offer an opinion helped your company.