

## Materials Planner Interview Questions

1. 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?
2. Share an experience in which you planned and/or established a sequence of operations which made the fabrication and/or assembly of parts efficient.
3. Name a time when your advice to management led to an improvement in your company or otherwise helped your employer.
4. Share an experience you had in dealing with a difficult person and how you handled the situation.
5. Share an experience in which you successfully shared a difficult piece of information. (Make sure that the candidate has open lines of communication.)
6. Share an experience in which you oversaw the assembly, fabrication, construction, maintenance, or modification of equipment. How did you communicate to the staff what you wanted?
7. Tell me how you organize, plan, and prioritize your work.
8. Share an experience when you applied new technology or information in your job. How did it help your company?
9. Give me an example of when you thought outside of the box. How did it help your employer?
10. Tell me about an experience in which you analyzed information and evaluated results to choose the best solution to a problem.
11. Would you consider analyzing data or information a strength? How so?
12. Share an effective approach to working with a large amount of information/data. How has your approach affected your company?
13. Tell me about the last time you monitored or reviewed information and detected a problem. How did you respond?

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14. Share an example of a time you had to gather information from multiple sources. How did you determine which information was relevant?

15. Name a time when you identified strengths and weaknesses of alternative solutions to problems. What was the impact?

16. How would you rate your writing skills? (Ask for an example that demonstrates great writing skills.)

17. In your experience, what is the key to ensuring your company was compliant with all laws, regulations and standards that were applicable to your area of responsibility?

18. Provide an example of a time when you successfully organized a diverse group of people to accomplish a task.

19. What have you found to be the best way to monitor the performance of your work and/or the work of others? Share a time when you had to take corrective action.

20. Provide an example of a time when you were able to demonstrate excellent listening skills. What was the situation and outcome?

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

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

23. Share an example of when you went above and beyond the "call of duty". (Look for answers that show the candidate is dependable.)

24. Provide an example when your ethics were tested.

25. 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.)

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26. How do you balance cooperation with others and independent thinking? Share an example. (Try to determine if the candidate has a cooperative attitude or is otherwise good-natured.)

27. Please share an experience in which you presented to a group. What was the situation and how did it go?

28. Provide an example of when you were persistent in the face of obstacles.

29. Provide a time when you dealt calmly and effectively with a high-stress situation.

30. Name a time when your patience was tested. How did you keep your emotions in check?