STAR Technique

For Answering Critical/Behavioral Questions

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STAR Technique is used to Answer the Questions related to provide Professional & Real Life Examples:

- How did you handle a Critical Situation in the Past during your work?
- Basically these are Behavioral and Situational Questions

There is a Step by Step Process to Answer.....

4-Steps Process

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Step-04

Result

Outcome
of your
Actions &
Solutions

Step-01

Situation

A Situation or Problem you faced

Step-02

Task

Your Role in that Situation

Step-03

Action

Your
Specific
Actions to
handle that
Situation

Sample Questions

- O1. Share, when you ever faced a difficult problem at work. How did you solve this problem?
- 02. Tell me about a time when you achieved a specific goal.
- 03. Tell me something when you had a conflict with a colleague. How did you handle it?

Sample Questions

- 04. Have you ever had to motivate others? How did you do it?
- 05. Share an example when you failed. What did you learn from this Failure?
- 06. Share an example of a time when you had to make a difficult decision. What did you do?

Let's take an example of Question #1

Share, when you ever faced a difficult problem at work. How did you solve this problem?

S- Situation:

In my current role as a Manager of Sales & Marketing,

There was a challenge when I was assigned to achieve some stretched targets.

Some of my team members were on leave and facing a shortage of salespersons.

The GM set an unrealistic deadline. Due to this, I and my team were under the stress.

T- Task:

As a team leader,

it was my role and Responsibility to ensure to achieve the stretched targets within the time limited.

While I have a limited nos. of team members.

It was also my duty to motivate my team members and keep their morale high.

A- Action:

I prepared a Smart Plan and Setup a Process to Achieve the stretched targets after discussing with my GM & my team and implemented this successfully.

I used technology and online platforms to achieve the targets.

I scheduled daily meetings on updates and progress with my team as well as my GM.

I also shared some stress-relieving activities for refreshing my team. So that they could move ahead with new energy.

R- Result:

By following our plan, process, and strategy, we were able to achieve more than the targets and complete everything within the time limit.

It was also great learning for me to continue with this strategy and strength to deliver more than the expectation.

I still continued with it and got many appreciations and awards.

I also learned how important it is to use technology, keep a good process, follow the guidance of the seniors, and have clear communication across the team.

If you are fresher.....

Let's take another Example

Can you tell us a mistake you have made and how did you handle it?

Focus on positive aspects & results.

Show that you are capable to handle the situation or that you have made a mistake by chance.

Focus on your positive thinking & actions.

And show some positive results

Your Answer

- As a human being and in the learning process, there may be chances to have a mistake.
- One mistake that helped me to grow, was when I started my career as a sales executive. And I was facing challenges to meet my sales targets.
- After discussing with my team leader, I realized that a complete understanding of customers' needs and regular follow-ups play a vital role to convert the efforts into sales. And then I just developed a system to nurture the relationship with the customers and structured my following-up activities.
- It worked like a miracle and I got more than the targets. It was great learning to me that learning from seniors, developing systems, and framing the activities can give you the best results.

Some Pro Tips

Always Write Down the Moments When:

- You solve a Critical Problem
- You resolve a Conflict
- You have an Achievement
- Any Appreciation or Award
- Or something Special in your Career

Your Assignment

- Read JD carefully, identify the problem and required skills & analye yourself (Requirements v/s your KSA)
- Customize your Resume before applying your next Job. Always send it with a Cover Letter in the mail body or separately if asked so.
- Do research, find solutions, do homework and present yourself as a problem solver & right fit
- Preapre your story & PPT to present and conduct some mock drills

Thank you

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