Sample Job Interview Questions:

* Tell me about yourself.
* Why do you want to work here?
* Why should we hire YOU? What can you do for us that someone else cannot?
* What do you know about the company?
* Give me an example of when you used the skills we are seeking for this job.
* Describe some times when you were not very satisfied or pleased with your own performance. What did you do about it?
* Give me an example of a problem you faced on the job or in school and tell me how you solved it OR Describe a time when you were faced with problems or stresses at work or school that tested your coping skills. What did you do?
* Give me an example of an important goal you had to set and tell me about your progress in reaching that goal.
* What do you consider to be your greatest strengths and weaknesses?
* How would you describe your ability to work as part of a team? How well do you work with people? Do you prefer working alone or in teams? When you think of a team, what role would you most likely play on the team?
* What have you learned from your mistakes?
* What was the best decision you ever made?
* How do you deal with competition? Are you a competitive person?
* What would you consider an ideal work environment?
* Do you consider yourself to be a leader? What do you think are the attributes of a good leader?
* What do you do when people disagree with your ideas?
* Describe a situation where you found yourself dealing with someone who didn't like you. How did you handle it?
* Give me an example of a time when you tried to accomplish something and failed. Were you discouraged by this? What did you do about it?
* What motivates you to go the extra mile on a school project?
* What is your plan once you finish high school? What do you see yourself doing five years from now? Ten years from now?
* What is the most creative thing you have ever done?
* Why are you looking for work?
* What do you plan to do with the money you earn?
* Tell me about your work/volunteer experience.
* What is the biggest obstacle you think you will face in getting into the work force? How do you plan to overcome it?
* If you could choose any type of paid work at all, what would you choose?
* When faced with a complex project at school, where you have about 6 weeks to complete it, would you say you broke down the project bit by bit and worked on it throughout the 6 weeks, or would you say you probably waited until the last few days but thought it worked out pretty well?
* **Do you have any questions for me? (This should be a YES answer; think of questions ahead of time!)**

\*The interviewer may ask questions that are more specific to the job, and not on this list.