This activity can be done two different ways:

o1.) Charades:

Set your classroom up with the desks in a circle.

Cut out each action that should be avoided at a job interview

As students enter the classroom, allow them to choose an action out of a hat or cup (or whatever you have)!

Explain to your students that everyone has a different action that should be avoided during a professional interview setting.

Give them about 2 minutes to figure out how they would act out their action.

Have 2 chairs in the middle. One for you and one for the student acting out their trait. Then, starting at one end of the circle, have each student enter the circle one at a time and allow the students on the outside of the circle to guess what the action is.

Ask the student in the center WHY this should be avoided during a professional interview and then move on to the next student. Have fun!

o2.) Discussion

Set your classroom up with the desks in a circle.

Cut out each action that should be avoided at a job interview

As students enter the classroom, allow them to choose an action out of a hat or cup (or whatever you have)!

Explain to your students that everyone has a different action that should be avoided during a professional interview setting.

On a notecard, have the students write a detailed paragraph about WHY their action would be inappropriate during an interview. (Be sure to have them add examples)

Go around the circle and have each student announce what action they had and WHY it would be inappropriate. Have fun!

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| SHOW UP  UNPREPARED | LEAVE YOUR HOUSE  WITHOUT PAYING  ATTENTION TO YOUR  APPEARANCE | HAVE NOTHING  PREPARED TO SAY | SAY WAY  TOO MUCH |
| GIVE YOUR  WHOLE LIFE  STORY | LIE | TELL CHEESY  JOKES | TRASH A  FORMER  EMPLOYEE |
| BLAME ALL OF YOUR  PROBLEMS ON YOUR  CO WORKERS | GIVE TOO MANY  PERSONAL DETAILS | BITE YOUR NAILS,  FIDGET, OR SHOW  NERVOUSNESS | CHEW  GUM |
| Bring your  breakfast, lunch,  or dinner | Talk on your cell  phone or read  text messages | Show  up  late | Discuss money,  time off, or  benefits |
| Forget to ask  questions at the  end of the  interview | Brush hair, file  nails, put on  lipstick | Hit on the  receptionist as  you pass by | Fail to follow up  and send thank  you note |