

# Interview top tips

## How to interview like a journalist:

1. Find a good interviewee.
2. It's your job to research - know the subject you're interviewing about.
3. Test your equipment.
4. Think about background noise - don't talk over or rustle papers etc when interviewing, and try and choose a location without background traffic or noise.
5. Make your interviewee feel comfortable - use 'small talk' and start with some easy questions.
6. Let them know what you're going to do.
7. Mimic body language.
8. Ask to spell and pronounce their name and title.
9. Send a list of questions beforehand or not?
10. Record the interview!
11. Don't let them answer off-mic.
12. Ask open-ended questions - why, how, what and where?
13. The interview is a conversation with you.
14. Ask about feelings.
15. Repeat questions in different ways.
16. Get them to talk about what they really love.
17. Practice, practice, practice!

TRY OUT THE TIPS ABOVE IN PAIRS USING YOUR INTERVIEW QUESTIONS