

Here is a sample of the interview tips we have created for our nanny candidates:

Before the interview:

- Drive by the families home
- Research near-by parks, library's, places of interest and activities
- Arrive 10 minutes early
- Turn off your cell phone

Be prepared:

- Along with your resume, consider bringing photos of you and your previous charges, CPR and other training certifications, recipes, books and articles that help explain your childcare philosophy
- Write out a list of your job questions
- Wear conservative, casual clothes and remember you might be asked to remove your shoes
- No perfume and not heavy make up

During the interview:

- When asked a question, gather your thoughts and think about how to answer concisely. Look person in the eye.
- Avoid speaking negatively or revealing personal information about past employers
- Engage with the children. Play with them if you can.
- Always ask before holding an infant and wash your hands first
- Ask if they have employed a nanny, what their overall experience was and if you would be able to speak with her if they offer you a job

After the interview:

- Send the family a hand-written note expressing your interest or a phone call thanking them for meeting with you. Include something personal that you learned about them or their child(ren).