

Interview Questions

These are some of the questions you might be asked during the interview process to help you prepare. You may not be asked all of these and if your interviewer is interested in what you have to say, they may add some additional questions of their own.

Aptitude to train to teach

- Why do you want to be a teacher?
- Why do you want to train to be a teacher with us at Leeds Trinity University?
- In your own words, tell me what makes a successful teacher.
- How do you know that teaching is the right profession for you?

Prior experiences of working with young people

- Tell us a little about your experiences working with young people.
- Choose one of those experiences and tell me in more detail what you personally learned from this.
- How do you know that teaching is the right profession for you?
- Can you tell me about a time that you learned something, what helped you learn this and why?

Skills

- Describe a time when you helped someone to become successful at something. What was this?
- Tell me a time when you worked with a team to solve a problem.
- Describe a time when you have been offered constructive criticism and describe how you acted upon it.
- How will you motivate the young people you are going to teach?
- How would you communicate /build relationships with parents?
- Describe what you would have in an inclusive learning environment and why?

Personal qualities

- Think about the special qualities you have to become a teacher. Choose three and tell me about them. Give specific examples of when these were displayed these if you can.
- What are the current issues in Primary or Early Years education today? Where did you get this information from? What sources did you use?

Academic profile

- Tell me how your first degree has prepared you for further academic study.
- What do you see as the value of theory on a PGCE programme? How might it help or hinder your classroom teaching?