

Dear Peter,

Thank you for your email! I am glad to hear that you will be a tour guide. You have a good choice. I hope you'll succeed.

You mentioned that you need some interviewing skills. Exactly, I want to give you some techniques about job interview. First of all, you should be well-prepared. You will be selling yourself or your ideas and convincing others to hire you. Unless you have done a particular job research, superficiality will be found out sooner or later. For example, when the interviewer asks the reason why you choose the job, if you cannot answer fluently, you will make a bad impression to employer.

Moreover, you should be passionate and confident. As you know, the first impression is always a crucial part for an interview. No one knows your personality, but the passionate and confident person will be more charming than others. You not only show your potential to the interviewer, but also your nice aspect. You will be more convincing him/her that you have abilities to get the job. Furthermore, you can email a thank you note afterwards as it is a polite behavior.

On the other hand, you have asked that what qualities a competent travel guide should possess. I think a good guide should have professional knowledge. Because of the work of tourism, knowledge is vitally important. In order to satisfy customers, you need to communicate, organize and arrange them, it is not easy, so you must have the competent of professional knowledge. If not, you cannot deal with such things.

However, a professional guide who is multilingual. As globalism affects many industries, so the tour guide should diverse languages to enhance themselves. Nowadays a good tour guide needs to give the translation services to tourists. In light of it, you should know 3 languages at least. They are Cantonese, English and Mandarin. Also, they are the basic competent you should here. French, Japanese, even Italian.

At the same time, you want to know the prospect of working in the tourism filed. As I know, tourism is a significant mainstay of the economy of Hong Kong. Its revenue has increased every year. In addition, there are millions tourists from all over the world visit Hong Kong each year, mainlanders are the majority of them. So, this industry needs a lot of tour guides. Besides, Hong Kong Government gives many supports to tourism, for example, it will declare some building as monuments. The new tourist attractions can attract more tourists to travel to Hong Kong. At the time, you will be busy and happy.

Last but not least, if you have any queries about the job interview, you can send e-mail to me again. I hope you can find your way and wish you all the luck in the world!

Yours
Chris