

"Small Talk"

Before an interviewer starts asking me "real" interview questions, he/she might make "small talk" with me. "Small talk" is when people talk about a topic for about a minute or less. The topic might be related to the things like the weather outside, traffic issues, or upcoming travel plans.

I don't like "small talk," but the interviewer I am talking to might think that it helps to make both of us feel more relaxed and comfortable. Interviewers use "small talk" to help them understand the interviewee's (that's me!) personality a little better.

The topic of conversation might not be very important to me, but I still have to try to be very **polite** and **respond with related comments and questions**. This will help me to make a good impression during the interview so that I might get the job I want!