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INTERVIEW ENGLISH · CEFR B2 · Upper-
Intermediate

Interview English **B2**

Answer with structure. Speak with confidence.

Upper-Intermediate · 10 modules = 10 lessons · English
throughout



Every stage of a real job interview — from "Tell me about yourself" to the follow-up email — with model answers, phrase banks and the STAR method.

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Each module = one 25-minute lesson: ♦ The Questions → ★ Model Answer → 🗒️ Phrase Bank → 📝 Your Turn. 10 modules = 10 lessons.

How to Use This Book

For Candidates

This book takes you from a **prepared** interview to a **fluent, persuasive** one — the **B2 (upper-intermediate)** level. At B1 you answered the questions clearly; at B2 you **build a case for yourself**: you give detail, quantify your impact, and handle follow-up questions without losing your flow.

- Each module covers **one stage of a real interview**, in order.
- Every module has: ♦ **The Questions** (including the *follow-ups* interviewers add) → ★ **Model Answer** (a strong B2 example) → ↔ **Handling the Follow-up** → 🗒️ **Phrase Bank** (nuanced, natural language) → ✎ **Your Turn**.
- Keep using **STAR** (Situation–Task–Action–Result), but at B2 add the **numbers and the reflection**: *what changed, by how much, and what you took from it*.

The B2 shift — Don't just answer; **steer**. Signpost your answers ("There are two reasons..."), quantify results, and turn every question into a chance to show you're the right person. Sound natural, not memorized.

For Coaches

Teacher's Guide

This is the coursebook for **B2 interview-preparation lessons**. Ten modules = ten 25-minute lessons.

Lesson flow (25 min)

1. **Warm-up (3 min)** — Fire a rapid follow-up question from the last module. Push for a fluent, unscripted reply.
2. **The Questions (4 min)** — Read the question *and* its likely follow-ups. The B2 skill is handling the second and third question, not just the first.
3. **Model Answer (7 min)** — Read together. Identify the **signposting**, the **quantified result**, and the **reflection**. Ask: *how could this be even more specific?*
4. **Phrase Bank (5 min)** — Drill the nuanced language (hedging, emphasis, signposting). The learner rebuilds a B1 answer using B2 phrasing.
5. **Mock exchange (6 min)** — Ask the question, then **two follow-ups**. Grade fluency and structure, then give one precise correction.

Coaching notes

- The B2 test is **spontaneity**. Interrupt with follow-ups so answers can't be fully scripted.
 - Demand **quantification** — "many customers" becomes "around 300 customers a month".
 - Watch for **natural connectors** (*that said, in fact, which meant that...*). They make speech sound fluent.
 - Encourage a clear **point of view** — B2 speakers commit to an opinion and justify it.
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Module 1 — First Impressions

Building Rapport

◆ The Questions

- How are you? How was your journey?
- (Small talk) I see you worked in Manila — how did you find it?
- (Online) Shall we get started?

★ Model Answer

"Thank you, I'm very well. The journey was easy, and honestly I've been looking forward to today — I did a lot of reading about the team and I'm genuinely excited to talk. Manila was a great experience, actually; it's where I learned to work with people from very different backgrounds, which I think is exactly what this role needs."

At B2, small talk isn't filler — you **land an early point** (here: cross-cultural teamwork) and set a confident tone.

↪ Handling the Follow-up

"Different backgrounds — can you give an example?"

"Sure — my team had five nationalities, so I learned to check understanding rather than assume it. It made me a much clearer communicator."

📖 Phrase Bank

Use it to...	Say
Sound genuinely keen	<i>I've been looking forward to this, actually.</i>
Bridge into a point	<i>...which I think is exactly what this role needs.</i>
Turn small talk into value	<i>That's where I learned to...</i>
Stay relaxed	<i>Honestly, ... / To be fair, ...</i>

✍ Your Turn

Prepare a warm 30-second opening that **plants one relevant strength** in the small talk. Then rehearse the likely follow-up.