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#### Take home resources

most important job tip ever



things you must know or do to find work



reasons why you didn't get the job.





### No. 1 Job Tip



most important job tip ever



**Ben Duffy** 

"Using empathy to neutralise or control objections before they negatively affect your application".





#### 1. Where to Look





#### Physical location of your search



#### Where are the jobs advertised?

- Online job boards, hiring company website, Linkedin
- Not Online (eg. newspaper, community notice board)
- Not advertised at all

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## 2 Resume and Cover Letter







## 5 Resume and Cover Letter Deadly Sins...

"I hate it when people send through their cover letter addressed to someone else. It's obvious that they have jus re-used the last application without even checking it. If you're that careless in putting together your application... why would I want you working for me? I don't hire idiots..." Brad. Small Business Owner.

Addressing to the wrong person

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Poor Spelling and Grammar

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Not using examples, facts and figures.

#### Waffle vs Facts and Figures

I am a successful, energetic and highly-regarded project manager with exemplary people management skills.



VS

An example of how I have excelled in delivering large-scale complex projects was in my role as Project Manager at Company X. Here, I was responsible for:

- successfully keeping the project within budget (\$10M)
- delivering the project on time (1 week early with a 14 week timeline)
- managing 4 direct reports and 11 contracted resources

I also received formal recognition from the CEO for my efforts (see attached email).



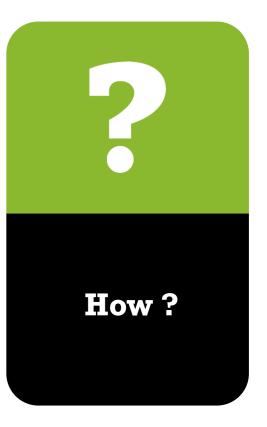


### 3. Referrals













## 4. Recruiters



Why do companies use recruiters?

I'm a recruiter. Please don't hate me!

What do recruiters do?



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Why do companies use recruiters?

What do recruiters do?

7 reasons why you probably hate your recruiter

**Benefits** 

How to make friends with your recruiter?





#### 5. Attitude









# 6. Get Organised







like a job



Be methodical



Use tools to help you





#### The Top 33 Reasons Why You Didn't Get the Job

01	Your resume is too brief, too long, not targeted, unclear, not quite right in some way.
02	You don't have the right skills and experience.
03	They didn't like you.
04	You didn't look the part
05	You sledged your current/former employer or colleagues.
06	Did you convince them that you really want this job and only this job?
07	Did you focus too much on what opportunities the role will provide for you, rather than what you can do for them?
08	Were you flexible in terms of your availability for interview times?
09	Does your work history look patchy and unstable?
10	Did you answer the questions directly and succinctly?
11	Do you live too far away?





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12	Are you too young or old?
13	Are you always looking for the next big thing?
14	Did you come across as arrogant?
15	Did you come across as too shy/boring/timid?
16	Were you on drugs/Intoxicated during the Interview? (REALLY? STOP IT!!!)
17	Your notice period was too long.
18	Were you on time for the interview?
19	Are you the wrong gender?
20	Did you lie on your resume or in the interview? Even just a little bit?
21	Were you super responsive to all of the employers' requests throughout the recruitment process?
22	Were you able to provide contact details of at least two recent and relevant referees? By relevant we mean your direct supervisor/manager from your current role, or the role before that?





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23	If you provided recent and relevant referees (see 22 above) are you absolutely certain that they would say nice things about you if contacted for a reference?
24	Were your salary expectations too high?
25	Someone else was better than you.
26	The employer is racist.
27	Your English wasn't so great.
28	You have had a long break out of the industry that you have applied for.
29	Someone within the company has prior knowledge of you and has said something negative about you to HR or the hiring manager.
30	You were too good for the job.
31	You have family responsibilities that may prevent you from dedicating yourself 100% to the job.
32	You swore or used otherwise inappropriate language in the interview.
33	You put a picture of yourself on your resume.

