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CONTROLLING YOUR INTERVIEW

5 STRATEGIES

TO ENSURE YOUR MESSAGES ARE HEARD









STRATEGY #1: KEEP IT SIMPLE

Know what you want to say

Keep answers short

Keep answers easy to understand

STRATEGY #2: AVOID JARGON



Avoid jargon, acronyms, & technical language.

For your company and products, think about jargon you use today, and what alternatives there may be:

| Don't say | |
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STRATEGY #3: DON'T TELL, SELL

It is easy to tell, but you need to sell...



Educate Get NAME out Build brand Sound smart SELL

Persuade Get STORY out Attract investors Be consistent



...or do a little of each.

TELLING

To our right is a massive body of floating ice that has broken away from a glacier or ice field in the polar sea. Most of an iceberg lies underwater, but because ice is not as dense as water, about 10% of it remains above the surface. Icebergs are classified by shape and size. The terms blocky, pinnacled, valley, and weathered are used for berg description, and bergy-bit and growler for berg fragments ranging smaller than cottage size above water. The lifespan of an iceberg may be indefinite while the berg remains in cold polar waters, eroding only slightly during summer months....



vs. SELLING

On your right is an iceberg. To keep you safe, we'll be adjusting our route to the west.

GLAD THEY ARE KEEPING US SAFE!

STRATEGY #4: BRIDGE TO YOUR MESSAGES



BRIDGING TECHNIQUES

That's a good/interesting/important question... Let me give you an example... We're positioned/we're impacted... What I've found is... We don't look at [issue].... What we look at instead is... [Issue] is important because... Another thing to remember is... Look! or See! That reminds me... We look at [issue] as part of our process. And for our fund that means... What's important is... The real issue is... The way [issue] impacts our fund is... I don't follow/like that particular stock/sector. What I like instead is... What [issue] means for our investors is... While we pay attention to [issue], we look for... If you look at it closely you'll find... The larger issue is...

STRATEGY #5: REMEMBER YOUR ABC's

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B

С

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F

Answer, Acknowledge, don't Avoid

Bridging technique within 10 seconds

Core message

Deliver full name of fund

Express the interviewer's first name

Finish within 30 seconds

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