

QUESTIONS ADMISSIONS DIRECTORS MAY ASK
DURING PARENT INTERVIEWS
By The Testing Mom

You really never know what an Admissions Director may ask during a parent interview. Here are some questions Admissions Directors have been known to ask. You might think about them ahead of time and consider how what your answer would be.

1. Tell me about your son/daughter? (almost always asked)
2. Why (our school)? (almost always asked)
3. What are educational goals for your child and why do you think our school can help you achieve them?
4. What is the most important thing you are looking for in a school?
5. What makes you think this school is a good fit for your child?
6. When you toured our school, what stood out for you?
7. What would your family bring to our school?
8. What is it you like most about the nursery school your child goes to? What made you choose it?
9. What is it about our school that you think would appeal most to your son?
10. What are your son's special interests?
11. What activities does your daughter do outside of nursery school? Which is her favorite?
12. What values are important to your family? What do you do to instill these values in your daughter?
13. How does your daughter get along with her brother?
14. What does your child like to do when she plays alone?
15. How does your daughter do when she meets new people?
16. What are your son's favorite books?
17. What does your son like to do at the playground?
18. How does your daughter handle frustration? Can you give me an example?
19. What would you describe as your son's strengths? Weaknesses?

20. Describe something that your child struggled with? What was the outcome?
21. How active is your daughter?
22. What is your son's attitude toward school? Does he always enjoy going?
23. What is your daughter especially proud of?
24. When your child plays, what is her favorite thing to do?
25. Does your son like to watch TV? What does he watch?
26. Does your son enjoy the computer? What does he do on the computer?
27. When your daughter meets new people, how does she react?
28. Does your son prefer to be told what to do, or would he rather make his own choices?
29. What other schools have you applied to?
30. What was your elementary education like? How would you like your child's to compare to yours?
31. Why would you want to send your child to a school so far from your home?
32. What is the hardest thing your child has had to contend with in his life so far?
How did he handle it?
33. Is your daughter in any kind of therapy? Can you describe it?
34. If your child were at the playground, what would she likely be doing?
35. What is the funniest thing your child ever did?