

# Some Sure Signs that Your Interview Isn't Going Well

You know what it means when you see a red traffic light in front of you. There are also signals that you can learn to watch for during an interview that will let you know what your next move should, or shouldn't, be. Interviews are unpredictable and vary depending on the type of job the interview is for as well as the individual that is conducting it.

You may be able to recognize that an [interview is going well](#) while there are some occasions where you are so stressed out that the fact that this isn't the job for you completely eludes you.

These are some red lights that you should be aware of during an interview that will let you know that it isn't going the way you want it to:

1. "Even if you are 99% sure that you know the location where the interview is being given, don't wait until the last minute to leave home and then rely on your GPS to get you there", says a career coach from [CraftResumes](#). They aren't always accurate and you don't want to get things off to a bad start by arriving late. Call to clarify the time and location and you may even consider a trial run ahead of time to be sure you know where you are going and how long it takes. Then leave early enough so you have plenty of time regardless of traffic.
2. The person conducting the interview should do more than half of the talking. Keep your answers concise and to the point and then wait for the next one. If they want more details, they will ask for them. Otherwise, you may cut the interviewer's list short and prevent them from getting answers they need.
3. Pay attention to the [interviewer's body language](#). If they are more interested in the time than in what you are saying, they may be ready to cut the interview short. Ask them if there is some other information you can provide to add to the interview.
4. If the phone rings and the interviewer answers it, that is a sign of disrespect. This is one of those red lights that should indicate to you that working for this company may not be a good choice since they obviously don't have the communication skills to put employees at ease.

5. There are employers who hold interviews that last for hours without even asking the applicant if they need a break. An interview shouldn't feel like an endurance test and the job isn't likely to be an improvement.

6. An interview shouldn't seem like a survey either. If the interviewer only asks you questions from a prepared list and never ventures out for more details on any of your answers, then it is up to you to add more to your responses in order to engage the interviewer.

7. If the interviewer tells you that they have lost several other employees after a short term, you might wonder why employees aren't staying in the position. Always ask why the position is open.

8. Ask around [before the interview](#). If there are rumors that the company is in financial trouble, you will have a better idea of what type of pay they will offer.

We hope these tips will be helpful for you and your career! Good luck!