US Citizenship Interview English B1 – Worksheet 1

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Exercise 1: Interview and application words

Match each word with the correct definition from the box. There are two extra definitions.

WORD BOX

a person who officially asks for something, such as citizenship

a formal meeting where an officer asks you questions **a formal promise that you make in public**

the place where you live **the process of becoming a citizen of a new country**

a fixed time to meet someone **your name written in your own special way**

an official paper that gives information **a short holiday by the sea**

a person who sells things in a shop

1. applicant → _____
2. interview → _____
3. oath → _____
4. residence → _____
5. naturalization → _____
6. appointment → _____
7. signature → _____
8. document → _____

Exercise 2: Complete the questions and answers

Complete each sentence with the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

Example: Where ___ (do) you work now? → do

9. How long have you _____ (be) a permanent resident?
10. I _____ (work) as a nurse since 2019.
11. I _____ (move) to this city three years ago.
12. When did you last _____ (travel) outside the United States?
13. Sorry, I _____ (not understand) the question.
14. Have you ever _____ (use) a different name?
15. Right now I _____ (study) English at a community college.

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16. Are you _____ (go) to take any trips in the next few months?

Exercise 3: Word forms

Use the word in capitals to form a word that fits the gap.

Example: Please bring your ___ letter. (APPOINT) → appointment

17. I am applying for US _____. (CITIZEN)
18. Please write your _____ on this line. (SIGN)
19. The officer will ask about your _____ and your trips. (EMPLOY)
20. Your _____ ceremony will be next month. (NATURALIZE)
21. Please give a short _____ of your job. (DESCRIBE)
22. You must answer every question _____. (HONEST)
23. The officer was very _____ and patient. (HELP)
24. I brought a _____ of my school diploma. (TRANSLATE)

Exercise 4: Polite requests and clarification questions

Rewrite each sentence as a polite request or a clarification question. Start with the word(s) in parentheses. Use 'please' in the requests.

Example: Wait here. (Could) → Could you wait here, please?

25. Repeat that. (Could)

_____

26. Speak more slowly. (Could)

_____

27. I don't know the meaning of the word naturalization. (What)

_____

28. Say that word again. (Would)

_____

29. Explain the question. (Can)

_____

30. Spell your last name. (Could)

_____

31. Are you asking about trips outside the country? (Do you mean)

_____

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Exercise 5: Put the interview questions in order

Put the words in the correct order to make interview questions.

Example: live / Where / you / do → Where do you live?

32. lived / you / have / How long / at this address

33. do / for a living / What / you / do

34. your / Can / I / see / green card

35. Where / you / do / work

36. you / ever / Have / a different name / used

37. trips / How many / taken / have / you / outside the United States

38. you / Do / the oath / understand

39. you / When / did / move / to this address

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Answer key – US Citizenship Interview English B1 – Worksheet 1

Exercise 1: Interview and application words

1. **a person who officially asks for something, such as citizenship**
   An applicant is someone who applies for something.
2. **a formal meeting where an officer asks you questions**
   At the interview, the officer asks you questions.
3. **a formal promise that you make in public**
   An oath is a serious, public promise.
4. **the place where you live**
   Your residence is your home.
5. **the process of becoming a citizen of a new country**
   Naturalization is how a person becomes a citizen.
6. **a fixed time to meet someone**
   An appointment is an arranged time and date for a meeting.
7. **your name written in your own special way**
   You sign documents with your signature.
8. **an official paper that gives information**
   A passport or a letter can be a document.

Exercise 2: Complete the questions and answers

9. **been**
   The present perfect uses have + past participle: have been.
10. **have worked**
    With 'since', we use the present perfect (simple or continuous) for something that started in the past and continues now.
11. **moved**
    With 'ago', we use the past simple.
12. **travel**
    After 'did', we use the base form of the verb.
13. **don't understand**
    The negative is do/did + not + base form, and both the present and the past fit this context.
14. **used**
    Have you ever + past participle asks about experience.
15. **am studying**
    'Right now' shows an action in progress, so we use the present continuous.
16. **going**
    'Be going to' talks about future plans.

Exercise 3: Word forms

17. **citizenship**
    Citizenship is the noun for the status of being a citizen.
18. **signature**
    The noun from 'sign' for your written name is 'signature'.
19. **employment**
    We need a noun: employment means your work or job.
20. **naturalization**
    We need the noun 'naturalization' (American spelling with z) before 'ceremony'.
21. **description**
    After 'a short', we need a noun: description.
22. **honestly**
    We need an adverb to describe how you answer.
23. **helpful**
    After 'very', we need an adjective: helpful.
24. **translation**
    After 'a', we need a noun: translation.

Exercise 4: Polite requests and clarification questions

25. **Could you repeat that, please?**
    Could you + base form + please makes a polite request.
26. **Could you speak more slowly, please?**
    Could you + base form is a polite way to ask someone to do something.
27. **What does naturalization mean?**
    We ask about meaning with What does + (the word) + word + mean?
28. **Would you say that word again, please?**
    Would you + base form + please is also a polite request.
29. **Can you explain the question, please?**
    Can you + base form + please is a polite, slightly less formal request.
30. **Could you spell your last name, please?**
    Officers also use Could you ... please? to ask politely.
31. **Do you mean trips outside the country?**
    Do you mean ...? checks that you understand the question correctly.

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Exercise 5: Put the interview questions in order

32. **How long have you lived at this address?**
    Question word + have + subject + past participle.
33. **What do you do for a living?**
    Question word + do + subject + verb asks about someone's job.
34. **Can I see your green card?**
    Can + subject + base form makes a request question.
35. **Where do you work?**
    In present simple questions, do comes before the subject.
36. **Have you ever used a different name?**
    'Ever' goes between the subject and the past participle.
37. **How many trips have you taken outside the United States?**
    The phrase 'outside the United States' can go after the verb or directly after 'trips', so both word orders are correct.
38. **Do you understand the oath?**
    Do + subject + base form + object makes a yes/no question.
39. **When did you move to this address?**
    In past simple questions, the order is question word + did + subject + base form.

Notes for teachers: Start with the matching task to pre-teach vocabulary, then work through the exercises in order. After each one, learners can role-play short officer–applicant exchanges. Typical mistakes include using the past simple instead of the present perfect with 'since' or 'how long', and putting the subject before the auxiliary in questions ('How long you have lived…?'). As a follow-up, ask pairs to write and practice five interview questions and polite clarification requests. This worksheet is for language practice only and does not give legal advice.

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