



# SELECT for Convenience Store Associates

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**Survey Results for:** **Suzanne Example**

**ID:**

**Test Date:**

3/21/04 3:05:52 PM

**Organization:**

Express Stores, Inc.



## **This Report Is Confidential**

- Lock it up
- Don't leave it out
- Don't show it to the candidate



## **Use This Report To Make Good Decisions**

- Retest or avoid candidates with Invalid results
- Avoid candidates with Avoid scores
- Use interview probes and other report information to evaluate Okay and Good candidates
- Combine information from all sources (test, interview, references, etc.) to make a final decision

**Random Response:**

A check for random responding. If Invalid, the candidate could not or did not read the test well enough to avoid responding randomly, and these results should not be used.

Random Response:	Valid	Invalid
	X	

**Integrity Index:**

A measure of the candidate's attitudes about personal integrity and work ethic.

Score:	Avoid	Okay	Good
11			X
	0-6	7-8	9-11

**C-Store Math Score:**

A measure of basic convenience store math skills.

Score:	Needs Training	Okay
13		X
	0-8	9-14

**Performance Index:**

A measure of the traits associated with successful performance in this job.

Score:	Avoid	Okay	Better
13		X	
	0-11	12-13	14-20

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**Performance Sub-scale Analysis:**

The table presents the candidate's scores for each sub-scale of the Performance Index.

Flagged areas should be probed in the interview.

Subscale	Okay	Flag*
<b>Energy</b> (activity level; action orientation)		X
<b>Frustration Tolerance</b> (remain emotionally positive in spite of frustration)		X
<b>Accommodation to Others</b> (willingness to accommodate the desires of others)	X	
<b>Acceptance of Diversity</b> (tolerance of others different from self)	X	
<b>Positive Service Attitude</b> (appreciation of the service role)	X	
<b>Self Control</b> (restraint over words and actions)	X	
*If flagged, see interview probe suggestion(s) in later section.		

**Job Task Responses:**

How willing are you to . . .	Would do it and enjoy it	Would do it	Would do it, but not like it	Would not want to do it	Would not do it
<b>Work weekdays?</b>		X			
<b>Work evenings or nights?</b>		X			
<b>Work weekends?</b>			X		
<b>Work holidays?</b>		X			
<b>Work overtime?</b>		X			
<b>Commit to being on time, every time?</b>		X			
<b>Work the cash register?</b>		X			
<b>Make change &amp; handle money?</b>		X			
<b>Serve food?</b>			X		
<b>Stock merchandise?</b>		X			
<b>Mop &amp; sweep inside?</b>		X			
<b>Pick up trash outside?</b>			X		
<b>Clean equipment?</b>			X		
<b>Sweep outside the store?</b>		X			
<b>Clean the restroom?</b>			X		
<b>Work cooperatively with others?</b>		X			
<b>Serve or assist customers?</b>		X			
<b>Handle rude customers?</b>		X			

The table above reports the candidate's stated willingness to do tasks commonly required in a convenience store. Indications of reluctance should be probed during the interview.

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## Interview



### Preparation:

- Review the application form
- Review the SELECT test results

### STEP 1: Open the Interview

Hello, my name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I'm the \_\_\_\_\_ (your position). We're glad that you are interested in this position. The purpose of this interview is to learn more about you and your work experiences. I will be asking you some questions about your likes and dislikes, your goals, etc. You will probably see me jotting down some notes -- that's to help me remember better what you said after the interview is over. There are no correct or incorrect answers, what we want is to learn more about you. At the end, I'll leave some time to answer any questions you might have. If you are ready, we can begin.

### STEP 2: Review the Application and Investigate Potential Problem Areas

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All blanks completed?             | <input type="checkbox"/> Employment gaps?                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Application signed?               | <input type="checkbox"/> Extremely high or low earnings?       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Several jobs in the last 2 years? | <input type="checkbox"/> Earnings show progress?               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vague reasons for leaving job(s)? | <input type="checkbox"/> Can complete all essential functions? |

#### *Example Questions:*

I see that you were unemployed from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_. Please tell me about this period of unemployment.

I see that you left your previous employer for personal reasons. Would you explain further?

I noticed that you have changed jobs frequently in the recent past. Why?

### STEP 3: Review SELECT Flags and Begin In-depth Questions

While asking the following interview questions, be sure to listen and probe in the following areas highlighted by

SELECT:

- Low Energy Level
- Low Frustration Tolerance

**1.** Tell me about your responsibilities in your previous jobs. Which did you like most and why? Also, which did you like the least and why? (*Listen for likes and dislikes that may or may not fit this job.*)

**2.** What is your convenience store experience? What have you liked best about your experience? What have you liked least? Or, you indicated that you have no convenience store experience. What do you think you will like best about it? Like least about it?

**3.** Have you ever worked or volunteered in a position where your primary responsibility was to assist or serve people? How did you like it? How successful were you? (*Probe for willingness to serve the needs of others.*)

**4.** How would you describe yourself as a worker? What are your strengths? What things do you think you might need to improve? (*Listen for work ethic, willingness to serve others.*)

**5.** How do you think your current or former employers would rate your attendance and ability to get to work on time? Explain. (*Listen for work ethic, attendance and timeliness.*)

6. What type of people do you like best? And least? Why? (*Listen for openness and a lack of prejudice.*)

7. What type of supervisor do you like best? Why? (*Listen for a willingness to be supervised.*)

8. Think of a company that you feel provides good customer service. What is it about this company that makes you think of them? (*Listen for service knowledge, values.*)

9. Tell me about a time when someone failed to provide good service to you. Give me examples of what the person did poorly. How could he/she have improved? (*Listen for service knowledge, values.*)

10. Sooner or later, we all have to deal with a person who is unreasonable. What types of behavior would you find most frustrating? How would you respond under such a circumstance? (*Listen for openness, tact and ability to handle difficult people.*)

***If you are still concerned about the Performance Flag areas, here are some additional questions to ask:***

***Low Energy Level:*** Describe your preferred pace. In what types of work situations would you like to be more energetic? (Listen for answers that suggest that the candidate can't handle the pace of the job, or can't self-start to get the job done.)

**Low Frustration Tolerance:** Describe those aspects of previous jobs which have frustrated or irritated you. How does stress on the job affect you? (Listen for responses that suggest a tendency to be easily affected by the ups and downs of the job or by personal circumstances.)

**STEP 4: Conclude the Interview**

Those are all the questions that I have for you. I appreciate the time that you have given to me. Is there anything that you would like to ask me?

**STEP 5: Make the Hiring Decision**

- Resist the temptation to hire someone just because you need to fill the job. You are likely to pay for a hiring mistake both in money and time.
- Focus on how well the candidate fits the demands of the job, not how much you like the candidate’s personality or how much you have in common with the candidate.
- The selection process is designed as an aid to the well-reasoned judgment of a hiring manager, not a replacement for this judgment. In the end, every hiring decision is a judgment call. Use the tools provided in this process to inform your decision, not make it for you.

*Use the following checklist to guide your decision. Please indicate your recommendation and write your comments in the appropriate Recommendation box. In addition, write your initials in the Initials column.*

Actions	Recommendation			Initials
Review Application	Not Acceptable	Some Reservations	Consider Further	
Prescreen (Optional)	Not Acceptable	Some Reservations	Consider Further	
Test Candidate & Review the SELECT Report	Not Acceptable	Some Reservations	Consider Further	
	Not Acceptable	Some Reservations	Acceptable	

<b>Behavioral Interview</b>				
<b>Reference Checks (Optional)</b>	Not Acceptable	Some Reservations	Acceptable	
<b>Background Check (Optional)</b>	Not Acceptable	Some Reservations	Acceptable	
<b>Decide</b>	Do Not Make Offer	Eligible At Later Date	Make Offer	
<b>Drug/Medical Screen (Optional)</b>	Fail		Pass	