CSCI-471 Professional Communications
Interview Activity

1 The Assignment

For this activity, you will interview another student in the class about his or her background, work habits, personality, hobbies, etc. The interview will take about 15 minutes, and then you will switch roles so that your partner has an opportunity to interview you for the same amount of time. To find out who your interview partner is, look at the name on the RED side of the index card you have been given (you are the name on the BLACK side of the card). Locate your partner as quickly as possible, and then begin the interview. Either person may go first. When everyone has finished interviewing, you will be asked to introduce your partner and tell the class as much as you can remember about that person. You may take notes during the interview. Below are some questions you might want to ask (you can ask anything you want):

1. What is your name?
2. What is your schedule like this quarter (classes, jobs, free time, weekends, etc.)?
3. Estimate your communication skills (great, average, poor).
4. Are academics important to you?
5. Do you like working as part of a team?
6. Are you introverted or extroverted?
7. Are you dependable, creative, organized, prompt?
8. Do you prefer to work independently?
9. Do you like to multi-task, or do you prefer to do one thing at a time?
10. Are you good at sticking to a schedule?
11. Do you like to read? If so, what kind of material? What have you read lately?
12. Do you like to write?
13. Do you listen well? Do you take good notes?