

Younger's DIANA TROUT'S SCHOOL OF SUCCESS

To avoid fetching coffee for the rest of your career, heed this advice from television's favourite boss lady

When it comes to climbing the career ladder or gunning for a flashy new job, there's nothing more crucial than getting some rock-solid advice from a mentor. But when we're lacking those role models in reality, it's only natural to turn to our fictional friends for help.

Our go-to right now is Diana Trout – the resident career queen of *Younger* who, frankly, has more poise in a single bead of her vast statement necklace collection than we do in our entire body. To be honest, we're

as desperate to command a boardroom with her levels of self-assurance and elegance as we are to raid her killer workwear wardrobe.

Luckily, we have Ms Trout on speed dial – and by Ms Trout, we really mean Miriam Shor, the phenomenal actress that plays her in the show – and she was kind enough to share her (literal) pearls of wisdom with *Cosmo*.

From what you should wear to work, to the questions you should ask your potential boss-to-be, dive into these Trout-approved career tips so you can attack your next job interview with the same don't-cross-me-confidence as Diana.



Q. Should I compliment my interviewer on their outfit? Or is that a no-go?

A. **I WOULD STAY AWAY FROM ANYTHING ON THE BODY, AND STICK TO ACCESSORIES – OF COURSE!**



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Q. I have an in-person interview for this creative agency job I really want, what should I wear?

A. You should wear anything that makes you feel like when you walk into that room, you're the boss of that interview. They aren't running the interview, YOU are, and they are lucky to have you in front of them.

Q. Should I lie on my CV or in my interview to make myself sound better?

A. You shouldn't have to lie. You should be good enough. However, if they have restrictive employment rules that are completely absurd? Permission to lie granted.

...Perhaps like telling a cheeky fib about your age to break into a publishing company? We see you, Diana.



Q. I have a phone interview in the morning, what should I do to calm myself down beforehand?

A. Two martinis. A good book. Lights out.

real question is, are they worthy of you and your time? Is this what you want to put your sweat, blood and tears into? Really, I think they should be pitching you the job.

Q. My CV is looking a little thin – should I include the three months I worked at McDonald's even though I'm applying for corporate jobs?

A. Did you work? Were you good at what you did? Then YES. There's nothing easy about working at McDonald's. If you can survive three months at McDonald's, you can put it on your CV.



Q. I'm applying for a job online and they're asking for a fun fact about me – what should I say?

A. Fun facts are irrelevant. If they want someone who can get the job done, tell them what your skill set is – and make sure it blows them away.

Q. What should I say when they ask me, 'Do you have any questions?'

A. If you've done your research for the job, then you should have a question prepared of your own. But the

REMEMBER: NOBODY IS BETTER THAN YOU, THEY'VE JUST BEEN THERE LONGER. DON'T LET THEIR STATUS OVERPOWER YOU. WALK IN KNOWING YOUR WORTH. MOST IMPORTANTLY: DRESS LIKE THE BOSS OF THE JOB YOU WANT.