3 Important Questions To Ask During The Interview

QUESTION 1: "How long will you stay in Prague?"

A lot of teachers only stay for a few months. Maybe this isn't important for you, but if you'd like to keep the same teacher for a longer time then ask.

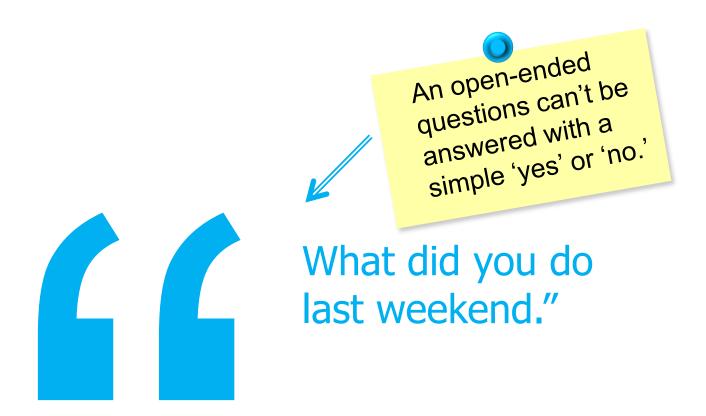
QUESTION 2: "Do you have a TEFL certificate?"

TEFL stands for "Teaching English as a Foreign Language."

It's very common for English teachers to take a one month intensive TEFL course before they begin teaching.

But, it doesn't necessarily mean he or she is a good teacher —I've known some not very good teachers who have a TEFL certificate and I've met some good teachers without one.

Personally, I think TEFL training is very valuable for classroom/group lessons. But for 1-1 conversation practice, I think things like professionalism and personal chemistry and much more important.



QUESTION 3: Hobbies

You're going to be spending a lot of time together so it would be great if you had some things in common.

But rather than asking directly, "Do you watch hockey?" Ask open-ended questions like:

- What did you do last weekend?
- What are you reading at the moment?
- What did you do before you came to Prague?
- What did you study in school?

If he likes hockey, you should find out from his answers.

POST-INTERVIEW CHECKLIST

After your interview/sample lesson, take a moment to make some notes.

- ✓On time.
- ✓ You did most of the talking.
- ✓I felt good with this person and enjoyed being with him/her.