

# Vanguard TEFL – Final Prep & Classroom Edge

## INTERVIEW Q&A (Tailored for TEFL)

Here are some common questions you might face in a TEFL interview, along with tips for answering:

1. Can you tell me about yourself? – Keep it professional and focused on teaching experience, education, and passion for cultural exchange.
2. How would you handle a classroom with mixed ability levels? – Show adaptability, using differentiated tasks and group work.
3. How do you keep students engaged? – Mention interactive activities, technology use, and culturally relevant examples.
4. Describe a time you handled a challenging student. – Share a calm, solution-focused approach.
5. Why do you want to teach in our country? – Research the country's culture, education system, and express genuine interest.

## DRESS CODE: Online & Abroad

Online: Professional but comfortable. Solid colors, minimal patterns, no logos or distracting backgrounds.

Abroad: Dress codes vary by country:

- Japan: Conservative, neutral colors, cover tattoos.
- South Korea: Business casual, avoid overly bright colors.
- China: Formal for interviews, business casual for class.
- Middle East (UAE, Saudi Arabia): Modest attire, avoid tight clothing and sleeveless tops.
- Europe: Generally smart casual, but check with your employer.

## STUDENT LEARNING STYLE TEST

Before you start teaching, understanding your students' learning styles can help you plan more effective lessons.

Use this free quiz: <https://www.learningstylequiz.com/>

Steps:

1. Have students take the quiz.
2. Review the results.
3. Adjust your teaching approach based on whether they are visual, auditory, or kinesthetic learners.

## **FIRST LESSON BLUEPRINT (Based on Learning Styles)**

Visual learners: Use images, slides, and color-coded notes.

Auditory learners: Include discussions, audio clips, and pronunciation drills.

Kinesthetic learners: Integrate role-plays, movement, and physical activities.

Always start with an icebreaker and end with a short review.

## **CONFIDENCE CHECKLIST (Before Interview or First Class)**

- ✓ Resume & certificates ready
- ✓ Professional attire prepared
- ✓ Internet, camera, and microphone tested
- ✓ Lesson plan reviewed
- ✓ Cultural etiquette researched
- ✓ Positive mindset – smile and engage