

## How NOT to Land a Job

Excerpts from résumé samples published in the 21 July 1997 issue of Fortune magazine, contributed by Robert Half International:

“I demand a salary commiserate with my extensive experience.”

“I have lurnt Word Perfect 6.0 computer and spreadsheet progroms.”

“Reason for leaving last job: maturity leave.”

“Wholly responsible for two (2) failed financial institutions.”

“Failed bar exam with relatively high grades.”

“”It’s best for employers that I not work with people.”

“Am a perfectionist and rarely if ever

forget details.”

“I was working for my mom until she decided to move.”

“I have an excellent track record, although I am not a horse.”

“I am loyal to my employer at all costs. . . . Please feel free to respond to my resume on my office voice mail.”

“I procrastinate, especially when the task is unpleasant.”

“Personal interests: donating blood. Fourteen gallons so far.”

“Note: Please don’t miscontrue my 14 jobs as ‘job-hopping’. I have never quit a job.”

“Reason for leaving last job: They insisted that all employees get to work by 8:45 AM every morning. Could not work under those

conditions.”

“The company made me a scapegoat, just like my three previous employers.”

“References: None. I’ve left a path of destruction behind me.”

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