Security guard interview questions and answers

1. Say why you want to work in security

Why do you want to work in security?	I like a job where I look after people and a place. I'm careful, I'm honest, and I don't mind night work.
Do you have any experience in security?	No, but I watched the door at a store for two years. I learn fast, and I follow rules.
You will often work alone. How do you feel about that?	It's fine with me. I'm used to working on my own, and I know I can call you if something happens.

2. Say how you stay alert on a quiet night shift

How do you stay alert on a quiet night shift?	I walk around every hour and I keep my phone in my pocket. If I feel sleepy, I stand up, walk and drink water.
Can you work nights, weekends and holidays?	Yes, I can. If I know the schedule early, I can plan around it.
You hear a noise in an empty building. What do you do?	I stay calm and go look, carefully. If it's not safe, I call my supervisor first.

3. Say what you put in a short report

After every shift you write a short report. What goes in it?	The time, what I saw, and what I did. I write only the facts, and I tell the truth, even about my own mistake.
You see a coworker break a rule. What do you do?	I talk to him first, in a nice way. If he does it again, I tell my supervisor, because I want to be honest.

4. Tell a man with no ID that he cannot go in

A man says he works upstairs, but he has no ID. What do you say?	I'm sorry, sir, I can't let you in without ID. But I can call your manager, and she can come down.
A man shouts at you. What do you do?	I stay calm and speak slowly. I say, please calm down, I'm here to help. If he doesn't stop, I call my supervisor.
He says, come on, I'm late. What now?	I understand, sir, I'm sorry. But I have to follow the rule. Please wait here, and I'll call someone.

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