Negative Impressions Made on Employers

- Poor personal appearance
- Overbearing, overaggressive, conceited, “superiority complex” and “know it all”
- Inability to express self clearly, poor voice, diction, grammar
- Lack of planning for career; no purpose and goal
- Lack of interest and enthusiasm, passive, indifferent
- Lack of confidence and poise, nervousness, ill at ease
- Failure to participate in activities
- Overemphasis on money, interest only in best dollar offer
- Poor scholastic record
- Unwilling to start at the bottom, expects too much too soon
- Makes excuses, evasiveness, hedges on unfavorable factors in record
- Lack of tact
- Lack of courtesy, ill-mannered
- Condemnation of past employers
- High pressure type
- Fails to look interviewer in the eye
- Limp, fishy hand-shake
- Asks no questions about job
- Sloppy application form
- Merely shopping around
- Wants job only short time
- Little sense of humor
- Lack of knowledge of field or specialization
- No interest in company or industry
- Emphasis on who he/she knows
- Unwillingness to relocate
- Intolerant, strong prejudices
- Failure to express appreciation of the interviewer’s time
- Late to interview without good reason
- Never heard of company