



AmeriCorps & VISTA Interviews - Teaching Instructions

Congratulations! You have been invited to interview for College Possible's AmeriCorps and VISTA positions. You indicated on your application what site works best for you and if you haven't heard from us already, we will notify you to confirm your teaching/interview date.

There are several components to the College Possible interview, one of which requires you to teach a small section of ACT material. Included on our website is a sample of the Princeton Review Teacher's Edition that we've used during the 15-week test preparation portion of our program. The text in the big rectangle is a replica of the information that the students see in the material given to them. The text on the outer area of the page is for the instructor to use, which includes answers to questions and reasons for answers.

You must prepare to teach a 5 minute mini-lesson from one of the Princeton Review units listed below and listed on our website in the Teaching Materials section:

- ❖ **Math: Angles, Fractions and Ratios, or Triangles**
- ❖ **English and Reading: Punctuation or Verb Tense**
- ❖ **Science: Reading Charts**

Please just pick one lesson to focus on. It is not necessary to cover all the material in a unit (nor will you have time to do so); you must spend your 5 minutes on a specific concept or problem.

Do not worry about planning a formal introduction or conclusion. Teaching a concept or problem is the most important part of your five minutes. This time will go quickly so get to your point right away.

You may bring in any materials (visuals, planned activities, etc.) that you think will aid you in teaching the lesson. Please note that we **will not** have technology to run Power Point presentations and we will **not** provide a printer for handouts, so if you will be using them, please plan ahead.

You will have access to the following materials:

- White board or easel with paper
- Markers
- Tape to hang any materials

The group that you will be teaching may vary in size but you should plan on at least 10-12 people participating in your lesson. Each person (other applicants) in the room will be considered "students" and can be asked to participate accordingly as you are teaching.

**Since all positions include interaction with many staff and students, it is very important that you demonstrate your ability to plan, teach, and interact with your peers. If you are most interested in a position based in our College Possible office, we will take that into consideration in reviewing your performance; however, you must still teach.*

If you have any questions, please feel free to email Human Resources at hr@collegepossible.org. Good luck with your lesson planning and we look forward to seeing you soon!