Using Video Modeling to Teach Interviewing Skills

Objective: To teach students employment interviewing skills across a variety of industries using mobile video modeling and video prompting.

Setting and Materials

Settings: Room that can be set-up to simulate a waiting room as well an area with a table and two chairs where the interview will take place

Materials:
- Job interview questions (i.e., general script and script specific to specific workplaces) with additional question for students with work experience as opposed to those without
- Evaluation forms to assess students during interview
- Mobile device (i.e., Android)
- VidCoach app

Content Taught:
- Interviewing skills across a variety of industries
- There are already existing interview models loaded into the app in the following categories:
  - General
  - Food Service
  - Health care
  - Hospitality
  - Retail with prior work experience
  - Retail without prior work experience

Teaching Procedures

Using the VidCoach app
- When opening the VidCoach app, users select a category of videos to watch and practice
- Next, users can choose from three activities:
  - “Watch Model”
  - “Practice”
  - “Watch Practice”
Each video is broken into smaller segments/subtasks, which are questions asked in the interview.

Users can choose to watch a video in its entirety, or choose to watch a single segment.

The “Watch Model” option supports peer modeling by allowing users to watch individuals modeling appropriate interview behavior.

After the interviewer asks each question, a cue appears informing the student about the appropriate response.

The model then appears and completes the task.

After the user watches the model complete each task, a post-prompt asks the user to answer a question about what they just watched.

The “Practice” and “Watch Practice” modes support self-modeling by allowing users to watch the interviewer side of the video and then self-record their responses to the tasks presented in the video.

Users can re-record a response immediately or at some other point in the future.

After recording their responses, users will see a post-prompt asking a question about the task they just recorded themselves completing.

**Procedures**

- Conduct mock interviews with student to determine current performance during an interview scenario.
- Teach student to use the VidCoach app.
- Discuss with students what they find most challenging or enjoyable about interviewing.
- Address any concerns with the variables listed in the rubric below.
- Provide information/instruction as needed for student to understand the interview process.

**Evaluation**

- Mock interviews can be evaluated using a rubric.
  - All variables should be operationally defined.
- For example:

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<td><strong>Score #1 - 4 only once during mock interview</strong></td>
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2. Hygiene and hair care
3. Handshake
4. Ability to ask an appropriate question

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Lesson Plan Based on:


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