Sample Interview Questions to Complement the RJP Video

1. After viewing the video and seeing the reality of child welfare work, what do you see as qualities of a good caseworker?

2. Of those qualities, what will be your biggest challenge?

3. Of those qualities, what are your strengths?

4. Knowing that a large portion of your time will be spent on paperwork, how will you balance that with working directly with families?

5. Working in child welfare means that you will be exposed to secondary trauma, which is a result of exposure to the trauma of others. How do you anticipate handling this?

6. If you were in that situation like displayed in the video when the parent was yelling at the caseworker, how would you respond?

7. How do you define success with families in the child welfare system?

8. How do you anticipate working with parents when you have seen the result of their behaviors and choices on their children?

9. How will you see the positive potential of the parents?

10. The clients you will be working with come from a variety of different backgrounds, cultures, and experiences, how would you anticipate your own life experiences influencing your work with clients?