

I: Hi there—can I help you with anything?

D: Oh, hi...I'm interested in the possibility of a career with TGS when I graduate. So I thought I'd come here and see if there are any opportunities suitable for people like me.

I: OK, I'll take a few details from you, and then we can contact you when we start our recruitment program.

D: Oh great.

I: So if you were to work with us, what area would you want to focus on?

D: I'm hoping to make a career in the field of marketing. I'm quite an outgoing person.

I: OK. I'll just feed that into the computer. And what's your name?

D: It's Dominika Alexandrovna.

I: OK...Can you just spell your surname for me?

D: Sure. It's A-L-E-X-A-N-D-R-O-V-N-A.

I: Thanks—it's important to spell names correctly in business.

D: Yeah!

I: And where are you from, Dominika?

D: Well, I was born in Poland actually, and my mum's Polish, but I'm Russian because we moved to Moscow when I was very small for my father's job.

I: Well I must say, your English, is very good.

D: Thanks. I've been here a couple of years now.

I: OK, well we usually get in touch with students a bit later on....and the easiest way for us to communicate with you is by email.

D: Oh yes—I can give you my email address.

I: Fine. Then we can send you any links that you need to read and attach the application forms.

D: Oh great... well, my email address is Dom, D-O-M 54 at gmail.com

I: Right—thanks. As you know, we like to encourage young people to start working for us as soon as they graduate.

D: Uh-huh.

I: Obviously our interest is related to the class of degree that you get.

D: Well, I'm hoping to get a 2:1. My tutors are all pretty confident that I will.

I: That's good...So which university are you studying at?

D: I'm just finishing my course at London University.

I: And I assume you're in the school of business...

D: Yes, I've been doing a B.A.

I: And is that part time?

D: No—I'm a full-time student. I haven't actually had any experience of business yet. I want to concentrate on getting my qualifications first.

I: OK. How have you found the course?

D: Oh—it's been really good. I've really improved my communication skills, and I've learned how to work in a team as well.

I: Well, that's good if you want to work in a global company. So when do you finish?

D: Um—well, it's a 22-month course and I finish in two weeks' time.

I: I see. So when would you be available for an interview?

D: Well, I think the 21st of July. I'm taking a holiday on the 12th of July for a week and I'd need a couple of days to sort myself out after that.

I: We're obviously interested in your business qualifications, but it also helps if you've done anything in your spare time that shows you have some business-related skills.

D: Um—well, I did run a competition last year for the charity "Save the Children".

I: That's just the sort of thing I mean ... shows you have some management skills. Right ... and, apart from work and study, what do you like to do in your free time?

D: I'm quite good at cooking. I make sure I eat well.... you know, when you're a student, it's easy to forget to eat or to eat a lot of junk food. I do things like watch some of the cookery programs on TV and then I copy them.

I: Great!

D: I'm not very sporty, but I do go swimming at least twice a week. I like to keep in shape.

I: Have you done any other work in the past that would be relevant to a marketing career?

D: Um, I did help my father with his business, but it wasn't really a job. I didn't get paid... But I have been a children's tutor. I got that job through the people at my homestay.

I: That's good. So if you worked for us, how would you see your career developing?

D: What do you mean?

I: Well, are you ambitious? Do you want to get to the top?

D: I guess I'd like to get into management...you know...I'd like to work my way up the ladder and end up as a project manager.

I: Well, that's about all I need to ask you for now. I'll let you walk around and look at some of our displays.

D: Thanks

I: Can I just ask you how you first heard about the fair?

D: Oh—from a friend. She told me about it last week, and then I looked it up on the Internet.

I: OK, thanks.