

## **Description of Our Interview Preparation and Methodology**

Once students have submitted their application and especially given their fingerprints, focus on interview preparation.

### **Repeat Drills**

- Ask all 100 civics questions, out of order, in small groups or one-on-one. Document problem questions by student and repeat them multiple times.
- Student reads sample sentences and key words. Pronunciation will vary by native language, but make sure that the words are pronounced understandably. As with civics, document problem words and sentences by student and repeat them multiple times.
- Student writes sample sentences and key words from dictation. Evaluation will be flexible but go for perfection during practice. Make sure that the writing is legible. And, as with reading, document problem words and sentences by student and repeat them multiple times.
- N-400 personal and background questions. Ensure that students can answer the personal questions clearly and consistently, and that they can answer the Part 12 questions and understand their meanings.

### **Focus Areas**

Companion Goal: Expand and enhance **English fluency**, both during practice and in general conversation.

Examine application for areas to focus on.

Practice interviews (over and over). Don't forget the basics, such as:

- Greeting.
- Left v. right, index finger.
- Oath.
- Reasons for wanting to be a citizen.
- Marriage(s) and child(ren).
- Travel.
- Be prepared to explain if name is different on different documents.

List of documents to bring to interview.

- At the very least, bring the interview letter, Green Card, and Passport.
- Marriage, death, and/or divorce certificate(s).
- Even old passport if it applies to travel in the past five years.
- Other documents as relevant, including taxes and proof of residence.
- Organize documents carefully so they may be easily retrieved.