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Job interview through Facebook captions

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Interviewer: Hi Anika. Thank you for interviewing for the position today. Are you nervous?

Anika: Confidence is the best outfit a girl can wear. And a smile is the best makeup a girl can wear. Never leave the house without a smile.

Interviewer: Okay. So tell us a little bit about yourself.

Anika: I'm a nightmare dressed as a daydream. I'm not bossy, I am the queen.

Interviewer: Alright then. So what previous work experience do you have?

Anika: I worked as daddy's princess. After that at Doofenshmirtz Evil Inc.

Interviewer: I'm going to be honest. You showed up very late to your interview today.

Anika: They say good things take time that's why I'm always late. Always late but worth the wait. If they can't wait for you then they don't deserve you. Some things are truly timeless.

Interviewer: Anika your background is in marketing. But the job you applied for is for civil engineers. Don't you think it's a bit out of your league?

Anika: If you can dream it, you can do it. I want to dream it, do it, click it, upload it then repeat it.

Interviewer: I mean even if we train you, it'll take considerable time on the job to get there.

Anika: If you can't handle me at my worst, you don't deserve me at my best.

Interviewer: Anika, the CV you sent is very short, it's basically 5 lines. We also specifically said no handwritten CVs, only typed ones.

Anika: Tell me not to do something and I will do it twice and take pictures. Why fit in when you were born to stand out?

Interviewer: Okay some quick questions now. If you are hired and face a difficult situation at work, what do you do?

Anika: When in doubt, wear red lipstick.

Interviewer: What qualities of yours do you think will help your colleagues get along with you?

Anika: They couldn't handle me even if I came with instructions.

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Anika: I'm not lazy, I'm just on energy saving mode.

Interviewer: What do you think is a unique quality about yourself?

Anika: I'm a girl and I don't like pink. Yes we exist. Black is the colour of my soul. Interviewer: Why do you think you will be a valuable addition to this company?

Anika: This place is lacking some vitamin 'me'. I'm not perfect but I am limited edition.

Interviewer: Do you have any hobbies or interests?

Anika: I've got 99 problems but a hobby isn't one.

Interviewer: We spoke to your previous employer and I'm afraid he didn't have great things to say about you.

Anika: Not everyone likes me but not everyone matters.

Interviewer: Last question, may I ask why you left your previous job?

Anika: If you don't like where you are, you move. You are not a tree.

Interviewer: Okay I think that's all we need to know right now. Anything else you want

to add?

Anika: I'm a warrior not a worrier.

Interviewer: Well that's excellent. We'll be in touch.

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SYMPATHY FOR TEAM ROCKET

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It's been over two decades since the world was introduced to the Pokémon universe and all its wonderful adventures. The franchise has spawned a ton of games for various consoles, a series that has been going on for as long as the company itself, over a dozen movies, and has established itself as a global phenomenon.

Pokémon has given us a lot to cherish, but there is one thing about the series in particular, that we often fail to appreciate, and that is Team Rocket, which is perhaps the worst group of antagonists in anime history.

Team Rocket is a criminal organisation that mainly operates in the Kanto and Johto regions. Their motive is to exploit Pokémon for personal benefits and to ultimately take over the world using them. However, we will not be talking about the entire organisation. Our focus will be on the trio consisting of Jessie, James and Meowth as we are most familiar with them. Now, why is it that we need to sympathise with these three individuals who are part of the criminal organisation that harvested Mewtwo and wanted to wreak havoc across the Pokémon world?

Let's start with their tragic backstories.

James was born in a rich family but all his life, he was very lonely. His parents would make him do things he didn't want to do, and he couldn't be himself. So, he ran away from home and eventually joined Team Rocket.

In her childhood days, Jessie lived with her mother in poverty and they had nothing to eat apart from the food her mother prepared from nothing but snow. Later on, her mother left home for a Team Rocket mission and the two haven't met since then. Following her mother's footsteps, Jessie too went on to join Team Rocket.

Meowth went to Hollywood to try out his luck but ultimately failed. He tried to impress the love of his life by learning to walk on two legs and speaking the human tongue. But he was snubbed once again after which he found himself among the ranks of Team Rocket.

Team Rocket has been trying to steal Ash's Pikachu from him but has never succeeded and probably never will. All their conquests end in vain as the trio is sent blasting off into space every single time. It's like retaking a course every semester thinking that you are going to ace it, but you don't, and instead you're hit by lightning or some other move that will send you flying beyond the horizon.

There is no doubt that the operations this trio carry out are underfunded. Despite that, they somehow manage to get hold of the most bizarre gadgets and contraptions in attempt to capture Pikachu or any other target. As they fail mission after mission, all the money they spend on these gadgets go to waste—just like their efforts, just like their lives.

All Jessie, James, and Meowth want is to impress their boss. But given their record, no one expects them to do anything useful for the organisation. In fact, even our protagonists have stopped paying attention to them over the years.

The list of miseries goes on and on for Team Rocket, and it just seems that they can never get out of this cycle they've been in for the last two decades. With all that being said, how can one not show minimum sympathy to the most impractical and useless villains in anime history?

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