



# WHY DID YOU LEAVE YOUR LAST EMPLOYER?

Don't )-:	DO! (-:
Quit	Resigned
Fired	Job Ended
Boss didn't like me	Growth Opportunity
Bad/Unsafe working conditions	Growth Opportunity
Moved away	Relocated
Not Enough Money	Financial Reasons/ Seek Salaried Employment
Didn't like the work	Career Change
Transportation Issues	Office/ Job Location
Personal Family Problems (raise family, care for elderly or sick)	Personal Considerations (no longer an issue)
Not challenged at job	Better Growth Opportunity
Got Hurt, Illness or Health	Resigned
Child Care Problems	Resigned / Personal Considerations
In Prison	Resigned

## Other Acceptable Reasons for Leaving a Job:

- Military Service
- Lay Off
- Further education (one time in a work history)
- Raise Family (One time in a work history)
- Seasonal Work-Lay off
- Temporary Employment
- Self-Employment (one time in a work history)
- Sought Salaried employment (when leaving self-employment)
- Career Advancement
- Business Closed
- Job Ended (Will discuss at interview)
- Contract Ended

Leaving your previous employment is rarely a pleasant experience. The challenge is to be able to explain your reason for leaving in such a way that you are honest yet don't raise any red flags about the conditions under which you left. You never want to write anything negative on an application; everything should have a positive feel to it, even the reason you left your last job. Always remember, you control how you are perceived by what you put out to be seen.