Practice Interview Analysis

Despite liking my practice interview a lot, and enjoying the experience there are many things that I would like to alter; there are also some things that I would like to keep the same if possible.

I believe that the setting of the video gave a more personal view into the interviewee, and I don't believe that I could display such a view in questions. Therefore it is a personal view in the video that cannot be displayed on the radio interview. I also feel that the topic of the interview works really well considering the page that I am creating, it allowed me to create the same atmosphere within the page plan that I am hoping to portray on the actual MET Connect website. I also think that the lighting displayed within the practice interview is not too bright or too dark. This was achieved by sitting close to a window and therefore natural light was created.

Things I believe could be improved are the background noise, the volume of the interviewee and the jumping between the scenes. Background noise was a big problem whilst filming the practice interview, with the interviewee's neighbours shouting with the flat. When watching the clips back their shouting covered some of the interviewee's answers and therefore had to be deleted from the final cut. I found that matching up the scenes became more difficult because of the volume the interviewee was talking at, and one point they are talking loudly but in the next clip they are quite quiet. In the future I need to make sure they talk at a consistent level in order to help the interview to flow. I also plan to ensure that they sit in a single position so that whilst cutting the scenes aren't jumping as badly as they are within the practice video.

I feel that I couldn't have had a better practice interview as it pointed out to me lots of things that I need to address in order to achieve a good standard within my proper interviews.

Whilst asking my classmates for reviews I had a mix of good comments and constructive criticisms. Here are a few:

"Very good with making her comfortable, good at asking the questions, good at getting the story - Maybe ask more questions and go into more detail with it and possibly try and make it a bit more flowing and try to just make it like you are having a normal conversation"- Daisie

"Not very professional yet. Can't hear the interviewee properly."- Jena

"Great questions that are clear and well spoken."- Faith

I like that I have had a mixture of comments as this allowed me to see how the public may view it and how I could improve my interviews.