Sample assessment centres exercises



Day 1

14.00-14.30	Attendees gather to meet with those administering the event to
	check in, have their photo taken and receive their schedule for the
	event.
14.30-15.00	Candidates meet the assessors as a group and briefly introduce
	themselves.
15.00-15.30	Candidates leave for a briefing on the company graduate
	programme they've applied for.

Candidates are split up to begin completing the components of the assessment.

15.30–17.00	Attend a 'technical' interview. With two interviewers present, this
	will last for approximately an hour. The scenarios are likely to be
	based on a real example. Two assessors lead the candidate through
	the decisions to be made and develop the answers with further
	questions.
17.00-18.30	A group game with a number of other candidates. There's lots of
	information to assimilate on an individual basis, followed by a group
	discussion to reach a consensus. The exercise runs strictly to time.
18.30	Assessment finishes for the day with a break before meeting for
	dinner.
19.30	Candidates and assessors meet in the bar and have dinner





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together. There is no formal assessment taking place here but it's
wise to be on your best behaviour while also relaxing and chatting
to others.

Day 2

08.30-10.00	A second group game with a different set of candidates so that the
	individual has two chances to demonstrate competencies.
10.00-11.30	An individual in-tray exercise where individuals are asked to prioritise
	information.
11.30-13.00	The last stage involves a competency interview with two
	interviewers. This is based on the competencies identified by the
	company as important for its recruits.
13.00	Lunch and departure for the candidates.

On the candidates departure, the assessors will meet to decide which candidates have met the standard and are to be offered a position. All candidates, successful or not, are typically offered personal feedback.

