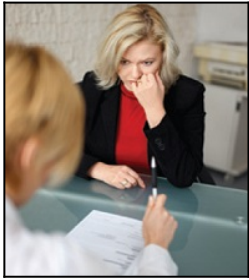
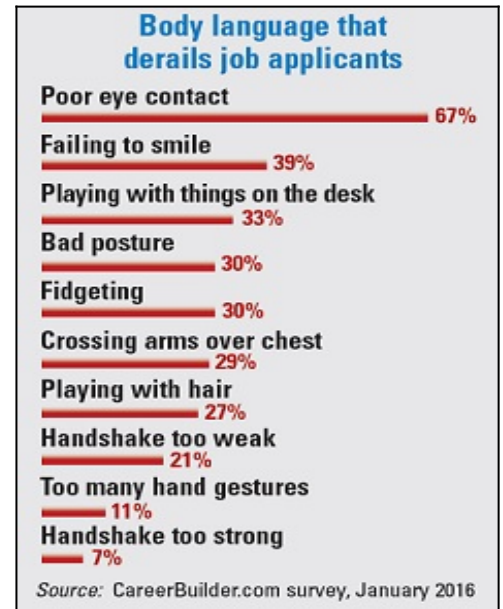


Poll: Bad body language can disqualify job applicants



An impressive résumé and cover letter can help a candidate land a job interview. Bad body language and awkward mannerisms can ensure that there won't be a second interview—or a job offer.



Asked by Harris Poll to identify the biggest body language mistakes job seekers make, hiring managers and HR professionals said poor eye contact was the most common deal-breaker.

According to the nationwide survey, conducted on behalf of CareerBuilder.com, it doesn't take long for an interviewer to decide if a candidate is going to move forward in the hiring process. Fifty percent of hiring managers said they know within the first five minutes of an interview if a candidate is a good fit for a position.