

Sample Intro and Interview Questions

The following would be for a 10-15 minute interview (depending on host interaction – Kim’s answers to questions take a total of 10 minutes)

Intro:

We have with us today human behavior expert Kimberly Alyn, best-selling author of “How to Deal With Annoying People” – coauthored with Bob Phillips. Something we can ALL relate to! Welcome Kim!

Questions:

1. Kim, how did you end up writing a book like this? *(1 minute answer)*
 2. Well like me, I’m sure all of our listeners deal with annoying people every day, why do we get so annoyed by others? *(1 minute answer)*
 3. Do people actually realize how annoying they are to other people? *(30 Second answer)*
 4. So how do we deal with annoying people and reduce conflict? *(30 Second answer)*
 5. Kim you said there are four types of annoying people, what are they? *(1 minute, 30 second answer)*
 6. So once you know the four styles, what can you do to deal with the annoying side of people? *(45 second answer)*
 7. Can you give us some real life examples of the four annoying types of people? You know, like people we would know... maybe famous people? *(1 minute answer)*
 8. Kim you’ve said we shouldn’t try to change people and that most people won’t change anyway. Then how can we get to the point where people don’t annoy us so much? *(1 minute answer)*
 9. So you’ve made it clear that we all have the potential to be annoying people. What can our listeners do so others don’t find them so annoying? *(1 minute answer)*
 10. So tell us Kim, which of the four annoying types are you? *(30 second answer)*
 11. Ok, if you had to guess, what would my annoying style be? *(1 minute answer)*
 12. How can our listeners get a copy of your book or more information so they can learn more about dealing with annoying people? *(30 second answer – please leave time for this because Kim does a great plug for the station and gives away some free stuff!)*
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Add these questions for a longer interview:

- 1. Kim, on page 67 of your book, you talk about the annoying people in action. Tell us about that.**
(1 minute 45 second answer)
- 2. So do these social styles tend to gravitate towards each other? I mean do Expressive tend to marry or hook up with other Expressives? How does that all work?** *(45 second answer)*
- 3. So you're married, right Kim? What annoying social style did you end up with?** *(45 second answer)*
- 4. So if you know you're a specific social style, should you avoid dating any of the other types?**
(1 minute answer)
- 5. So what's this controversial new project you're working on now?** *(20 second answer)*

Allow call-ins for extended interviews – Kim gives a free audio CD to the person who can call in with the funniest, short “annoying people” story.