# Top tips for writing a successful ad

#### • Write an ad, not a job spec

Don't copy and paste the job spec - it's less likely to be read if it's long and boring.

#### Job title

Make sure the job title is short and likely to be searched for.

## • Sell your company

Mention everything that would make the company an enjoyable place to work.

## Chasing the purple squirrel

Don't ask for something that doesn't exist. Be realistic about essential vs. desirable skills.

#### Don't hide the salary

Adverts that list the salary receive three times more applicants.

#### • List the location

Also, adverts that list a specific location receive ten times more applicants.

#### Keep it short

The most effective adverts are 600 words or less.



## Job ad example

