**Interview Prompts: Set 1**

**Understanding Leadership**

* What does being a leader mean to you?
* Can you think of a leader you admire? What makes them a good leader?
* Do you see yourself as a leader? Why or why not?

**Leading in Your Own Life – Developing Agency**

* What are your three personal strengths? Tell me how you apply them day-to-day.
* Do you feel your communication skills have improved as a result of attending your youth club? If yes, can you share an example?
* What are some goals that you have (short- or long-term)? Are you working towards them, and if so, how? Do you feel you will be successful in achieving them?
* How confident do you feel in yourself? What helps you feel more confident?
* Have you ever had to speak up for yourself or ask for support? How did it feel?
* How do you feel when you encounter a new problem? How do you approach it?

**Supporting Others**

* How do you help or support others when they need it?
* Have you ever encouraged someone to try something new? How did it go?
* What do you think makes people trust and follow a leader?
* How do you handle disagreements or conflicts when working with others?

**Leading Youth Services**

* Have you ever suggested an idea that helped improve a youth club or activity?
* What’s something you think youth services could do better, and how would you change it?
* Have you ever been part of a youth council, advisory group, or decision-making process? What was that like?
* If you could create your own program for young people, what would it be and why?
* How do you think youth workers and decision-makers can listen to young people better?

### **Making Changes in Your Community**

* What’s something in your local community that you think needs to change? How would you go about improving it?
* Have you ever been involved in a campaign or community project? What was your role?
* How do you think young people can have an impact on local decisions?
* If you could send one message to community leaders or decision-makers, what would it be?
* What’s one thing you’ve done that has made a positive difference in your area?

**Interview Prompts: Set 2**

### ***Opening Questions (Icebreaker)***

1. *When you hear the word “leader,” what comes to mind?*
2. *Do you think leadership is something you’re born with, or something you learn?*
3. *Can you think of someone your age who you would call a leader? What makes them a leader?*

### ***Personal Leadership Experiences***

1. *Have you ever taken the lead in a situation, big* or small? What happened?
2. What’s something you’ve done that made you feel like a leader?
3. Have you ever had to make a tough decision or take responsibility for something? How did you handle it?
4. How do you feel when you step up and take the lead? Excited? Nervous? Confident?

### **Leadership in Everyday Life**

1. Do you think leadership is only about having a title (e.g., team captain, youth council member), or can it happen in everyday moments? Can you give an example?
2. How do you support your friends or younger peers? Do you think that’s a form of leadership?
3. Have you ever helped plan or suggest an activity at your youth club, school, or community group? What was it?
4. What’s one way you’ve helped someone else feel included or more confident?

### **Leading in Youth Services & the Community**

1. Have you ever been involved in making decisions about a youth club, school, or community space? What was your role?
2. If you could change something in your youth club, school, or local area, what would it be?
3. Do you think young people’s voices are listened to by adults in charge? Why or why not?
4. What would help more young people feel confident to step up and lead?

### **Barriers & Challenges**

1. What stops young people from taking on leadership roles?
2. Have you ever wanted to lead but felt like you couldn’t? What held you back?
3. Do you think adults support young leaders enough? What could they do better?

### **Final Reflection**

1. What advice would you give to a younger person who wants to be a leader?
2. What’s one thing you’ll take away from this discussion about leadership?