2. Why elementary (secondary, high school, special) education? What do you want to accomplish on this position?

Hint: Focus on the goals of the school and on the children, not on your personal goals. Doing it, you present yourself as somebody who does work not only for his own sake, but also for the good of the employer and children.

Remember, good employees always have some goals and want to accomplish something in their daily job. Therefore you should never say that you have no plans and goals as a teacher.

Refer to personal reasons and experience, in order to explain your choice of field or level of education. You can talk about your friends/children/classmates with special needs and how you always felt for them. Or, you can say that you feel very natural with children of certain age, e.g. from six to ten years old, and that you believe that your teaching skills and attitudes suit them perfectly and can bring the most value to them. Remember, anytime possible, **talk about children and school, not about your own goals and desires**.

Sample answers

- I always felt very well with children of six, eight, or ten years of age. That's why I decided for career in elementary teaching. I want to help each pupil to achieve their full potential. Also I hope to be a good role model for the children, so they can grow up to well-behaved men and women. That would make me very proud as a teacher.
- I decided for high school education, because I feel that as a human being, and as a teacher, I can offer the most to these young people. We have good understanding for each other. If I get this job, I want to achieve good results with each student according to his potential, and help the school to gain even better reputation and recognition in the district. I will try to accomplish this with my every-day work, trying my very best in every lesson and after school activity.