



Work it!

Competition for jobs is tough. This subtle look will create a good impression

SKIN

Moisturise and apply foundation where needed. Avoid cream-to-powder or heavy formulas; opt for a light fluid such as **Lancôme Color Ideal SPF15** (right, £25, available nationwide). Use concealer where necessary – **Bobbi Brown Creamy Concealer** is great (£14.68, bobbibrown.co.uk) – then dust a little powder over your nose and forehead.

EYES

Use cream, brown and beige shadows – I like **Clarins Colour Quartet for Eyes in Earth** (£25.44, tel: 0800 036 3558). Apply beige or cream to the lid, going just beyond the socket. Add a deeper brown to the lid and define outer corners with dark brown pencil. If your mascara tends to smudge, curl your lashes and set with clear mascara or my **Lasting Lash Tint** (£14.68, from spacenk.co.uk), or coat the upper lashes with a non-gloopy mascara such as **Clinique Naturally Glossy** (£13.21, tel: 0870 034 2666).

CHEEKS

Avoid bright shades and bronzer. Blend cream blush from the apples of the cheeks outwards. For **porcelain skin**, try a soft pink such as **Giorgio Armani Sheer Cream Blush in 04** (right, £26, tel: 020 7318 2486); for **olive skin**, a soft rose or raspberry, such as **No7 Blush Tint Cream Blush in Rosebud** (£9.50, boots.com); and for **dark skin**, a soft plum such as **Nars The Multiple in Malibu** (£27, narscosmetics.co.uk). A more golden tone will flatter **mature skin**.

LIPS

Apply a long-wearing lipstick with a lip brush for a tidy finish. **Estée Lauder Pure Color Long Lasting Lipsticks** are great – try **Wild Rose** (pictured, £14.98, esteelauder.co.uk).



MY SECRETS

Groomed brows are essential. Tweeze stray hairs below the brow, define with brow powder, brush into shape then fix with brow gel. Shavav Brow Perfection Kit has everything you need (£30.34, from beautique.com). Keep nails filed short and opt for neutral polish. I like Essie's Naked Truth (left, £8.95, from nailsbymail.co.uk).

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