

1. If anything was possible, what would your dream job be, and why?

Since I was a child, I've always had a heart for literature. At the young age of two, my mother said that I could already read and write basic words. At eight, I've already finished nearly every English children's book known to man. By the time I was ten, I'd already picked up the first novel I'd ever read— Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets. My love for reading also sparked my interest in writing. I used to join writing contests and workshops. I was active in our school publication. I wrote poems as a hobby. However, when it was time to decide what degree to pursue in college, I ended up taking a different path. The reason why I did not pursue writing was that when I was younger, I was influenced to think that being a writer would not be enough to support my needs. As someone who came from an average family, I thought that I did not have the resources and connections that would enable me to pursue that kind of career.

2. Have you ever experienced a stressful situation in your past workplace (college if fresh graduate), what was it and how did you overcome it?

Yes, I have experienced a stressful situation in college. Somehow, no matter how hard I try to avoid them, I always end up dealing with uncooperative groupmates when working on projects. I am a non-confrontational type of person, so I often have a hard time dealing with this, but I also always end up becoming the group leader, so I have no choice but to do so. I try to tell the uncooperative group member why his/her participation is required and what the consequences would be if he/she continues to disregard his/her responsibilities in the group. I try to deal with it in a calm yet authoritative manner so that I do not end up sparking arguments, but instead find a reasonable solution to the problem. I encourage the member to explain to me why he/she is being uncooperative and then try to assess whether he/she has a valid reason for his/her absence or he/she is just making excuses.



3. In your previous position, what task did you find most challenging and why? What task did you enjoy most and why?

I often struggle with being a leader of a group. I always get told that I seem too nice to the point that I have the risk of getting treated like a pushover. Whenever the group that I am leading needs to deal with a problem, I often have a hard time imposing my authority. I also always try to avoid confrontations. I need time to prepare what to say to a member, especially when discussing their output and what needs to be improved to ensure that I do not end up hurting their feelings. There was even an instance when a member made a mistake in the output that he/she submitted, but instead of holding them accountable and asking them to correct the error, I chose to stay quiet and re-do the task myself. On the other hand, I really enjoy doing research, may it be a quick one for an English essay or a full-length one as part of the curriculum requirement. I really enjoy learning about new topics. I feel like it enriches my mind and helps me discover more about the world.

4. How would your previous managers/coworkers describe you?

They would describe me as someone who always tries to give her best in whatever task or role that she is given. Even if I know that a certain project is not my area of expertise, I try to allot time to learn and prepare so that I can produce a quality result. I try to work to the best of my abilities to reach or even exceed the expectations given to me. I also like doing things in an orderly or listed manner, so I also often get described as someone who is organized. However, there are also instances where I can get too hard on myself, so they also try to remind me to take it easy. I also get described as someone who is neat and punctual. I am also very polite. I often get told that I create a friendly environment because of the way I speak and approach other people.



5. What personal or professional accomplishments are you most proud of?

I think my academic accomplishment is something that I can be proud of. I was a consistent honor student. I have been a scholar since I was in high school. I have participated in various competitions that reflect how hard I have worked as a student. I believe that I am knowledgeable enough, may it be in Mathematics, research or art. I always try my best in what I do, so I was able to acquire different skillsets that can be considered useful in different areas of my life. Aside from that, I am also proud of being able to establish a small business at this age. It is a business that enables me to pursue my passion and at the same time, a business that touches other people's hearts and makes them happy. The business currently continues to grow, and we've already gained returning customers who are happy with our services.