

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

Ever since I was young, I have liked dinosaurs. I watched several dinosaur movies and videos with my brothers growing up and even until now. With that being said, the dream job that I want to pursue is Paleontology.

As a kid, I just really found that job cool. Just people digging or searching on the ground hoping to see the past by collecting fossils. I also have the same excitement whenever they find something that may resemble a certain part of a dinosaur and then put it together with their other previous findings. The fossils kind of look like a giant puzzle so it amazed the little me and even the little kid in me right now.

The job also has become more interesting because of the advent of technology. Paleontologists nowadays can already detect what kind of dinosaur or what era the fossil is from through scanning. Now that I am an adult, I also realize how rewarding the job is. It's like winning a lottery whenever you find rare pieces and discover a lot more about the Earth before humans evolved.

I know that Paleontology takes a lot of effort to study and is an expensive profession as well but if anything was possible, I think being a Paleontologist would be amazing.

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?

As someone with no work experience yet, I'll consider my senior days in college as the most stressful time I've ever been. It was the time when we were doing our Civil Engineering Project. It was individually given to us, so it was hard to manage.

At that time, we were assigned to pass all the hard copies of our research at a given time. Because of the lack of resources, I have not printed all the remaining copies that needed to be passed. Pressured by time and seeing that all my classmates had finished all their projects, I had an emotional breakdown and was so overwhelmed by the situation that I no longer have an idea of what to do next.

Thankfully, my friends were so thoughtful that they helped me finish printing all the remaining documents and organize them. They did those while constantly assuring me that we'd pass our research papers altogether. What they did calmed me down and helped me get back on track so I could finish my project.

It was not just because of me but also with the help of my friends that I was able to overcome that stressful situation. I do admit that I like working independently but times can be overwhelming too. I appreciate the people around me, but I also admit that I need to work on managing my emotions and not let them take over my mind.



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

During my senior year in college, I was a Program Committee Head of our department organization. Our team was specifically tasked to do the stage designs according to the theme. It was an enjoyable role since it mainly required creativity in fulfilling the task. I was developing my lettering or calligraphy skills at that time, and I also would love to learn more about design in general. It was enjoyable to explore several references online and then put my touch on the finished product. It was rewarding when I saw the satisfied faces of my fellow members and the other participants upon seeing our work during school events.

However, it was a challenging role as well since we were still students, and we didn't have that much time and resources to execute such designs that we wanted to come out with. It was also when we were doing our thesis, so we only had a short time to come up with the designs and buy the materials. We also lacked manpower, although we finished the designs before the events, we could have done better if there had been more hands working.

It was a tiring role, but I am happy that I, together with my team pulled them off and did our roles well in our organization. I was able to enjoy college because of those and it has become a cherished memory of mine.

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

During my university days, most of the people that I have been with described me as someone with reservations. Most of them find me introverted as I speak less than they do. And sometimes, they don't even feel my presence unless I am specifically being called or when I have something to say. Some of them said they found it hard to approach me at first, but I really appreciate the effort they made to know me more.

However, those who I am close with find me outgoing and they are even surprised that I have a lot to say. Sometimes, I am the one who initiates going out with them. If I feel that I can connect well with the person and that I can see that we have the same values and interests, I am the one approaching them first and initiate the conversation.

I had no problem with anyone, nor did I have an argument or any other negative connections with the people that I had met. I am a chill person as they describe me too and I also do my best to get along with others.



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

The accomplishment that I am most proud of right now is stepping out of my comfort zone and exploring the opportunities around me. I was always afraid to take risks because I get overwhelmed immediately, but I learned to set aside that emotion.

For the longest time, I tried my best to be independent and avoided unnecessary interactions. But as I grow older, I have learned to open myself to people and create meaningful relationships with them. Finally receiving care and support from someone or people that are special to me does give a good feeling.

I can say that that is my most treasured accomplishment at this moment because it takes a lot of courage to gradually bring down the walls, I made to shield myself from others. Letting people go in and out of my life gives me a more peaceful mind. I also noticed that I've been more emotionally mature ever since I did that and that's one indicator that I am growing as an individual.

I know I still have a long way to go, but I am willing to improve myself and be a better person who deserves happiness and success by working hard and appreciating every person, opportunity, and blessing given to me.