



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

If anything was possible, my dream job would be is an Archeologist. When I was in Kindergarten, I vividly remember a fairytale picture book that I bought from school. I didn't know how to read at that time, but as a 6-year-old I was not interested in reading it, I was more interested in looking at the pictures. That is how my fondness for reading started. A curious child reads more than an ordinary child.

Fast forward to my high school days, reading History books and watching videos about it sparked a surprising interest in me. I spend most of my time googling and researching it. I love History, especially Ancient History. I always see myself digging up priceless artifacts and uncovering tombs of famous people in history. I wanted to know more about the different cultures in the world and their people just by looking at these artifacts. Maybe I'm an archeologist in my other life.

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?

A stressful situation that I have experienced in my past work is making requests for cash advances and liquidation reports. It's a simple task but the downside is that no one taught me how to do it. It was my first day of work, our Teacher-in-Charge asked me if I could make a report for a request for cash advance for our school budget that quarter. I frankly told him during the job interview that I did not have any idea how to do it, but I would like to learn if I was given the chance. He asked me to approach a teacher who was working on that kind of report and get her help. I ask kindly but I received a, "I figured it out on my own, go figure it out yourself." I didn't know what to react, but I cried a river that night.

In the end, I did figure it out myself. I researched about it and looked over past documents to know what to do. I asked questions from other teachers. I made mistakes in the process, but I learned from them. The main point of this essay is to be kind to other people. You didn't know what they were feeling or experiencing. Treat everyone with kindness. It can't hurt.



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

In my previous position, a task that I found challenging was going to different stores and establishments and procuring items. It's challenging because it always takes a lot of traveling time. I once came from Patag to Bacolod to procure ICT equipment for our school, bring it back to Silay, and carry it again to Patag the day after. The work itself is not challenging, but traveling is. Being with that school for almost 3 years, I'm already used to it now. Friendships have also formed because of my monthly visit to our regular stores.

A task I enjoy doing the most is when the teachers ask for my help during school events like Intramurals. Our school is a small school situated in the rural part of Silay thus sometimes they're not inviting guests from the city. Because of that they sometimes let me judge a certain contest or event. And it makes me happy to see students perform and enjoy themselves while doing their best.

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

My co-workers would describe me as a reserved, introverted, shy type of person. Reserved because I usually don't talk too much, and I think before I share some of my thoughts. Because of that, I'm a good listener. I tend to listen more than to speak more. I also like to keep things to myself rather than sharing them with everyone. And I think that is a strength since it's very unlikely for me to say something bad to a person that would eventually hurt them.

They would also describe me as polite. That attitude is not something that you should learn but something that you should already have, born to have. In this world, where most people can't even say a simple "thank you" to a tricycle driver or to someone who opened a door for him/her tells a lot. Respect is essential in our workplaces, most especially in our lives.



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

A personal accomplishment that I am proud of is having to graduate from college and get jobs to support my family. People like me, who always make ends meet and who have parents that work hard enough just to get us from college treat this accomplishment as the greatest achievement we could ever have. Education is the only thing my parents could bequeath us. My siblings and I marked that up in our brains since we don't want to experience the bitterness of life again. We really bust our balls studying and grabbing that diploma.

Looking back, our lives have somehow changed. We can eat what we want any time of the day, and we can buy things we could only dream of before. You could be down below now but the next day you'll reach the top. Treating things with importance, like education, changes a person's view. Like getting a degree and giving our parents something they could be proud of.