



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

I want to be a doctor, specifically a cardiologist. My father suffered a heart attack last year. It required a lot of money, given that he didn't have any health insurance, not to mention that it was a very stressful situation for us. My father already had a heart condition when he was 24 years old, so his heart has always been frail. It only worsened as time went by. He went through a procedure called angioplasty that placed three stents on his blood vessels so that blood would continue to flow.

The memory of what we went through is still fresh in my mind. The desperation, worry, and dread were all too consuming. As a middle-class family, we couldn't afford the procedure by ourselves. It was only a miracle that so many people helped us with the expenses. And for that, I am forever grateful.

If only I were a cardiologist, we wouldn't be having this problem.

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 an online English tutor, it was always stressful when the electricity went out. When that happens, I run towards our generator and turn it on as fast as I can. As soon as I get back, I inform my manager about the power interruption and wait for further instructions. If it takes time before the Wi-Fi comes back, I text the number that they provided. If I inform in real time, I will not have penalties.

Another stressful situation is when a student is disrupting a class and isn't listening. As per protocol, I would inform my manager first and try to get the student's attention. When that fails, I wait for them to settle down before I continue with the class. I make sure not to get angry or show any negative emotions, keeping it civil. My manager would usually transfer me to a different student or the standby page.



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

As an intern at Landbank of the Philippines, the most challenging task is manning the telephone. I need to be alert and take down important details when I answer. It's sometimes difficult to hear the other person talking, not to mention when they start talking in Cebuano. I'm always stressed when I am assigned to man the telephone, and I feel my heart pounding when it rings.

The task I enjoy the most is filing and labeling documents. They would ask me to get the documents downstairs and file them upstairs so they could keep watch. I was always sitting down and doing nothing on my desk, so it's great that I get to stretch my legs when it's time for me to file and label documents. Another reason is that I like organizing things. I get a serotonin boost when I arrange each document alphabetically and label them accordingly.

4. How would your past colleagues or managers describe your work ethic?

During my time as an operations team member, my managers would describe my work ethic as efficient and productive. Time is precious. That said, I make sure to use it well and allocate it accordingly. I can find ways to lessen the time it takes for me to complete my task without compromising its quality. I also produced high-yielding outputs, and as a result, I am always in the top 5 at the end of my shift.

As for my colleagues, they would describe my work ethic as adaptable and hardworking. When I was newly hired, I was able to operate things well without making any mistakes. My mentor didn't have to keep watch for long. I am also focused when I work; I seldom talk with my colleagues to continue producing multiple outputs. I only talk with them during breaks or when I am already finished with my work.



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

During my time as an online English tutor, I was a consistent top performer. Consequently, I get invited to exclusive tutoring programs that allow me to teach VIP students. I also received the “Best Fun Regular Lesson” reward, which means that I got the highest average rating from students. I enjoyed my time at Weblio Philippines, as the accomplishments I received were very rewarding.

As for my personal achievement, it would be my exchange student program in Japan. I was able to study at my dream destination for 5 months. And within those 5 months, I made lifelong friends with people from around the world, especially from Southeast Asia. I was able to express myself and wear my preferred clothes, as my outfits suit the colder weather. On top of that, I was able to experience Japan’s rich culture and convenient public transportation. And it was all paid for by the government, as I was on a scholarship.