



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

If anything was possible, my dream job would be to become a CPA businesswoman. The reason for this is that I want to fulfill the dream of my parents for me to get at least one PRC ID in whatever profession I would like to be in. It was their dream, and it is part of my dream too, making them proud. Growing up, my parents always taught me to study hard and get a good paying profession so that I would have a good life. Aside from that, I personally want to be a CPA if fate and resources allow, and I still want to pursue it more. It is a desire of my heart to become a CPA one day now. As I transitioned into adulthood, I realized that earning a fixed monthly income is not a life at all. It would not satisfy my needs considering all the inflations and fluctuations of the market rates. Entering the business world would be the most practical thing to do. That is why, I also dream to become a businesswoman. I know it is so practical, but it is reality that I must face. No profession or job can defeat the earnings that you will get from a successful business. Combining both dreams, I know being CPA and having businesswoman mindset is an advantage to a company. I hope one day, I will be able to color my ambitions in 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?

Yes, experiencing a stressful situation is always part of college and even in life. During my last semester as a graduate student, we had this one professor who gave us a research project to finish in 2 weeks. She even insisted that she already instructed us on what to do, but we did not receive any document from her containing all the instructions, format, and guidelines. I was so stressed because, aside from her subject, we also have other paperwork in our other subjects to finish too. I cannot blame the other subjects because they gave us everything that we needed beforehand, 1 to 2 months before the due date. Also, the due date she gave was exam week. Thinking about that week was a hell week. However, we do not have any choice but to finish everything before the deadline. I overcome the stressful situation by calming my mind, thinking straight, blame no one, and just start the task immediately. I believe that if I waste my time complaining about it, I won't accomplish something. So, me and my teammates just focus our minds on giving our best to finishing the task in a short period of time. In addition to that, food was a stress reliever, so I also treated myself to food while doing the task.



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 as an intern in Izumi Japanese Restaurant, the task that I found most challenging was maybe how to communicate effectively to my supervisor and how to address my concern in a polite way that she would not be disappointed with me. I believe the tasks she gave me were all manageable, but there are certain instructions that were not given. She always expects me to know about it. For instance, I was given the task of remitting all the employees contribution on PAG-IBIG. It was my first time, and the instructions were to get the money, print the document, go to PAG-IBIG, and remit the money. Upon getting into the counter, the employee in PAG-IBIG said that the document must be a soft copy, whether to put it on a USB or send it via email. I was nervous at that time, but I got all my senses to contact my supervisor and ask her in a nice way to directly send the document to the email of PAG-IBIG using the email address of the company. Communication was always a struggle for me, especially since I am an introvert, but I am proud of myself that I have overcome it.

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

My past manager described my work ethic as a positive attitude. She commented in my evaluation form that I was focused on my task every day and exerted all that was needed. She can see in me that I am dedicated to all the tasks given and willing to learn and be corrected if an error occurs on my part. She even praised me for being professional because there were transaction tasks for their government compliance that were given to me to accomplish, and part of it was personally going to the government office to comply with everything on behalf of the company. I also have genuine respect for all the employees, which she sees as my asset. In terms of my productivity, she was proud to say that my outputs are quality, and I made it to the deadline she gave me. The only thing that she advised me to improve was my fear of communicating concerns. She said that I have no reason to be afraid of raising a concern because she knows and understands that I am still learning, for which I am thankful and grateful.



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

The personal accomplishment that I am proud of is going out of my comfort zone. I am an introverted person, and I fear new environments and interactions with new people. I am proud to say right now that I enjoy a new environment and meeting new people in my life. Somehow, it was a blessing and a good thing to allow new things to adjust in my life. Regarding my professional accomplishments, I am most proud of having passed the Civil Service Professional examination last August 2023, the CAT Level 1 Certified Bookkeeper, and the CAT Level 2 Registered Cost Accountant exams. These gave me the titles of CSE-PPT, MICB, and RCA after my name. I was first doubting that I would not be able to accomplish something for my professional life, but I tried without anyone knowing that I would be taking all those examinations; luckily, I passed. I realized that not trying means that you have already failed. Trying means you have the possibility of passing it, and if fate is not for you, you can always try again and again.