



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

When I was in high school, I was aiming for the “CPA” title to be written next to my name. When I think about it now, I still want it. Aside from it being fancy to hear, being a Certified Public Accountant is what will make the 16-year-old me happy and accomplished. I always have this story whenever I am asked how much I want to pursue an accounting profession. I had a circle of friends way back in high school. We were inseparable throughout our high school lives. But when the time came when we had to choose what course we should take in senior high, I was the only one that took a different path. They chose to take *STEM* courses, while I chose *Accountancy, Business and Management*. Moreover, my family wanted me to take Education course, but I followed my heart. I don’t know but there is something in accounting I can’t let go. Maybe because people I know usually say that it is a hard course, and I, who’s up for a challenge wants to grab it. Or maybe it’s my passion in solving and always take interest in dealing with numbers. That alone, answers why my dream job is to work and be part of the accounting world.

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 my previous job. It was the time when I was just starting, of course I had to go through the training phase. Little did I know, I only had a week of training. I didn’t expect it to happen. I mean, a big responsibility is being entrusted to me. It was hard at first, overwhelming, since all the people, terms, systems, and procedures were all new to me, and who would’ve thought that I would only get to learn them all in a week. But I never stopped learning. I wanted to do good because it was my first job. Each day passed, I kept learning. I took notes, made a to-do list for the daily, and monthly tasks. I also raised concerns to my supervisor, and anyone in the room whenever I had a hard time grasping information. Also, since I was doing repetitive tasks, it got so much easier for the next few days. Being used to self-learning did me great that time.

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

Reconciling was what I found the most challenging in my previous job. I reconciled data from the system and in my records every day. It was challenging since I was comparing two sets of data, and everything should match at the end of the day. It was also why all data and information should be correctly encoded into the system, so at the time of reconciling, no errors would be found. If it happened that the data didn’t match, I had to review everything recorded in my files and had to go through the hard copies to support evidence, to really ensure that the information was correct.



On the other hand, counting the sales every morning was what I enjoyed the most. It was my first task of the day. I had to collect all the sales from different departments, counted them, made sure the amounts were accurately computed, and when everything was good, I had to prepare for the sales to be deposited. I enjoyed it since I got to interact with the other departments. For instance, asking them if they wanted their bills to be changed for coins, and confirming or making corrections if there were any errors in the sales report.

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

Being disciplined is notable when it comes to describing my work ethic. Discipline is a composition of time management, being organized, having a sense of urgency, and being reliable when it comes to being entrusted with tasks. I believe they would describe me as being disciplined. One, I did not stop learning after the training. Also, I complied with every task being assigned to me. Moreover, I was committed to making sure that there were no tasks being overlooked. For my first few weeks working there, people almost couldn't talk to me since I was too focused on my own desk. Well, I had to catch up with everything. But as time gone by, I didn't forget to bond with them, and this is where my professionalism in the workplace comes in. I approached everyone with respect regardless of their position and age. Also, I am aware that being professional is a common requirement in work.

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

Graduating with latin honors made my family proud of me, so I would say it was the moment that made me most proud of me too. It was the greatest accomplishment I have received in my life. I remembered my mom once told me before I entered college, that she wanted me to graduate with flying colors. So, I set foot in college with the thought of doing everything that I can, so I get to achieve what my mom wants me to have. I admit, I don't have any talents, maybe I once had a passion for dancing, but I stopped because I would be lying to myself that I was ever good at it. Maybe I can also draw, but I only know how to draw trees. So, I focused myself on academics. I could say I didn't fail myself from believing that I am good with academics. I made my family proud and that's what matters to me. It is and will always be my purpose in life.