



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

If anything is possible, my dream job would be an Accountant. Ever since I started learning about accounting concepts, I have always been fascinated by how the role of an accountant plays a key role in internal management. An Accountant helps the decision-making in the business operations by producing financial statements, analysis and interpretation. Basically, they are directly involved in the management of the business by being one of the brains of the internal operations, especially in handling financial information. Moreover, they create additional value by supporting the overall management in establishing a concrete plan to improve the business. Such support is not limited to data-entry but also thinking outside of the box by having thorough analysis. I would feel a great sense of fulfillment knowing that I could provide my expertise in handling and analyzing financial transactions for the business working as an Accountant. I still have a lot of hurdles to face before reaching that dream, but I am currently taking my first step into improving myself in all aspects and reaching my full potential. All journeys that I will experience are relevant and eventually would lead me closer to a better version of myself. With that in mind, I will continue to work harder to be more efficient and more capable than I am today because I believe that anything is possible to those who are consistent and work hard for their dreams.

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 past workplace. There was an instance where we were tasked to audit a very problematic store with uncooperative store employees. Our time to complete the audit is limited to one day, which is obviously not enough to cover everything we need to verify. However, I didn't let these challenges get the best out of me by maintaining a strong presence of mind. To get through it efficiently and effectively, I focused on the task at hand in which I start to organize my process and break down my tasks into achievable ones. By being organized, I can also think clearly and logically even under pressure. At the same time, I maintained respectful communication with the staff by explaining to them the audit process, their responsibilities as store employees, and the consequences of noncompliance. Moreover, I have also communicated with our audit head regarding our limited time. I explained the drawbacks of not being able to gain the full context in just one day and I suggested some adjustments to the time span of the audit process. With these steps, I was able to complete my task effectively with organization and proper communication even in stressful situations.



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 Audit Staff, the most challenging task was the analysis and preparation of the audit report. These tasks come with a high expectation for accuracy. Mistakes are not tolerated because it could affect my reliability as an Audit Staff. I find it very challenging because it requires continuous learning and discovering of new processes as we go through our tasks. Since I am also handling numerical data, which are prone to errors, I am expected to be extra careful and make it a habit to double-check everything before finalizing my work. The exciting part of my previous job is being able to travel to different places and meet new people. I find it enjoyable knowing that I could see new places, take pictures, and appreciate the scenery during the travel. In addition to that, I also enjoy talking to various people and gain new perspectives in the process.

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

My past colleagues or managers would describe me as diligent and reliable. I was often tasked to prepare reports during team audits because they think that I am reliable enough to represent our team. I am very diligent when it comes to the tasks that are entrusted to me, especially those that fall under my area of responsibility. And even if it is beyond my responsibility, I offer help as much as I can while doing my part as a team player. If I put my mind on things that I want to excel at, I would hone my skills to live up to what is expected of me. I may not get everything in my first try, but I focus on my progress because for me, slow progress is still progress. If it takes ten times to master something, I will practice it eleven times. That is my way of being diligent so that I can be reliable in anything that would be assigned to me.



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

Being able to pass the US based Certified Management Accountant Exam is an accomplishment that I am most proud of. It was not an easy challenge that I have put in myself because it is my way of growing. I wanted to validate my skills and knowledge by learning more about internal accounting. I am most proud of it not because of my scores but because of my attitude and discipline all throughout my review season. In those times, I had to work simultaneously with other important responsibilities while also focusing on my study schedules. It took a lot of late nights and overcoming self-doubts just to pass the exam. I couldn't believe I was capable of reaching that milestone in my life. At the same time, I would not stop there. I am looking forward to more achievements to reach in the future. They say that we should stop once we become proud, and as for me, may I never be proud. I meant it in a good way, which basically means that although I am proud of myself for reaching it, may I never stop reaching for more.