



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

If anything is possible, my dream job would be to become a business owner and a chef. I honestly wanted to open a restaurant, but I do not have the capital and expertise to do so. I really enjoy trying new food and sometimes try to recreate it at home. Sometimes, I just use whatever ingredients are available and try to cook something out of it. I also enjoy watching cooking shows like Masterchef and listen to the judges' comments about the contestants' food. I also like to cook my family's favorite meals and sometimes spend time with them while cooking together. When celebrating milestones or any occasion, we like to try different kinds of restaurants and make a goal of coming back to try the menu we haven't ordered. In the restaurant I would be opening, I will be introducing different cuisines from other countries that people in my place haven't tried yet. If given an opportunity and resources, maybe I will pursue this dream someday.

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?

Stressful situations may sometimes occur, most especially in a workplace setting. I have experienced one of those stressful moments and it was during my first year as a teacher. I had to teach senior high school students without undergoing training and supplemental lessons, so I had to figure out things on my own. Being a shy person also gave me fear of speaking in front at first. Thankfully, I was able to overcome my shyness by studying the lessons so I would be prepared when teaching inside the classroom and it gave me confidence. Eventually I also came up with an organized list of things to do and identified items to prioritize first. One of the things in the list is submitting the grades of the students so being mindful of the deadline and setting a day before the deadline to finish the grades has given me a chance to review before submitting. Aside from these things I did, encouragement from my family and colleagues also helped me in these situations.



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

My previous job was being a senior high school teacher at a private school. I was given a full load when the position I applied for was for part-time employment. I had to juggle different tasks: teaching, preparing lesson plans, lesson logs, and preparing materials for hand-outs. I had to manage my time and organize the tasks so I would be ready for the classroom. The most challenging task for me was preparing lesson plans and lesson logs because I had to do them at home since I had to prioritize teaching and preparing assessments at school. On the other hand, I enjoy teaching the students because it is my passion to impart my knowledge and experience in the subjects I teach. I also enjoy encouraging my students when they talk about their future dreams and goals aside from the subjects I teach. I can say that my teaching experience had a great impact on my growth as a person.

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

I have worked with different companies and I think they would describe me as someone who values professionalism. I like to greet people and encourage them of their strengths. They would say I am polite and respectful. In my experience working as a teacher, I also was told by my academic coordinator that I excelled in my classroom observation evaluation even though I have less exposure to a teaching setup. Based on this, they would also describe me as an effective teacher. I was also commended by my supervisor that I have a gift of listening to whatever concerns the students have and immediately resolve or take action about it. Aside from my role, I also was able to come out of my comfort zone and have been able to help with other responsibilities in the organization such as being an adviser. Even with little knowledge about the teaching job, I can say I have been resourceful enough to meet the standards of being an effective teacher.



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

During many years of working, especially in the teaching industry, I have been offered promotions. Even with no educational background in teaching and less experience, I was given recognition by my colleagues that I am efficient in my work. I was given a chance to be an academic coordinator in senior high school in the first school I worked at and was given additional subjects in my latest workplace. I am proud to be able to show that I did my best in these organizations I worked for. Aside from doing my work efficiently and meeting standards, I value character the same. Being a professional also shows how we do our work. We can be somebody who is excellent in our job but along with it must also mean we value our relationship with other people. I can be proud of leaving my previous workplace as an honest person and leaving the legacy of a responsible individual.