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Personal statement

I am a front end developer who founded my his company in order to learn on the job; self-taught and self-motivated. I am now seeking to join a team of developers in order to learn best practices and contribute to something larger. I am passionate about JavaScript, accessibility and the recent advancements in CSS layout. I come with an impressive attention to detail thanks to my former life in book publishing.

Core skills

- | HTML5 and CSS3 - SASS, BEM architecture, responsive design
- | JavaScript - ES6 syntax, AJAX, EJS templates, both OOP and functional Programming
- | Libraries - React, Gatsby 2.0, jQuery, Bootstrap 4
- | WordPress - custom themes, some PHP, plugin ecosystem
- | Back end technologies - node.js, npm, express.js, passport.js, mongoDB, REST
- | Version Control - Git & Github: <https://github.com/DaveCoded>
- | Design - Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator and XD
- | Other - proofreading, editing, copywriting and fluent in French

Employment history

Co-Founder of Eeny Meeny Creative

(August 2018 – Present)

I wanted to learn on the job, building relevant solutions for real clients, so I founded a company with a friend. There being only two of us, I have fulfilled many rewarding roles:

- | Sourcing clients: I managed to find us a small job at my first WordPress meetup.
- | Account managing: I now have some experience getting to know a business,

Temporary Publishing Assistant, Freelance Proofreader and Tutor (English and Maths)

(April 2015 – July 2018)

Managing self-employment by sourcing my own work, building trust with clients and developing excellent customer service habits to encourage positive word of mouth

- § I held several temporary book-related jobs including Contracts Assistant at Hachette UK, PA for DHH Literary Agency and bookseller at Waterstone's
- § Proofreading academic essays on technical subjects for undergraduates
- § Tutoring for 11+ and 13+ entrance exams, particularly to Dulwich College and Alleyn's

Editorial Assistant – Arcadia Books, London

(April 2014 – April 2015)

Duties

- § Uploading all content to the new website using the CMS – www.arcadiabooks.co.uk
- § Publicity and community engagement through company Twitter account
- § Writing press releases, organising book reviews and proofreading jacket copy
- § Collaborating closely with designers to deliver covers on brief
- § Applying for grants and submitting titles for prizes

- § Selling rights, handling NDAs and keeping databases current
- § Delivering sales materials to external sales and marketing teams
- § Organising warehouse inventory and deliveries for events and book festivals
- § Providing attentive author care and liaising with literary agents

Education

University of Edinburgh

(2009 – 2013)

MA (Hons) in English Literature

Charterhouse School

(2004 – 2009)

A Level: Maths (A) English (A) French (A)

Achievements and Interests

- | Volunteered at a non-profit publishers for dyslexic authors (RASP)
- | Summited Margherita Peak, the highest in Uganda at 5,109m above sea level
- | Played lead violin on an orchestra tour of Strasbourg at the age of 13
- | Won several chamber music competitions in a clarinet quartet
- | Acted in an interactive murder mystery at Edinburgh Fringe Festival 2013 – we did 21 shows without break, got 4* reviews and made a profit, which is rare for first-timers
- | I also play the piano, draw manga, study chess, learn card tricks and practise yoga

References

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require references from any of my previous employers.