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Personal statement

I am a student currently studying Computer Games Technology at Birmingham City University and am already on track to achieving a First in my degree. More so, I am someone who is passionate and independent as an individual when it comes to work. I am hardworking and motivated, and I believe that a positive attitude allows people to strive for their achievements. I am confident and enjoy interacting with a mixed variety of different people. In addition, I have vast experience working in a team, having participated in various events and activities which rely heavily on strong communication across a group of individuals, for example Global Game Jam (GGJ).

Key Skills

- Proficiency in all areas of Microsoft Office, including Excel, PowerPoint and Publisher
- Excellent communication skills, both written and verbal
- Games designing and programming skills
- Strong ICT skills
- Team working skills
- Problem solving and logical thinking skills
- Musical interest and appreciation.

Education

<u>Governing Body</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Grade Achieved</u>
AQA	English	B
Edexcel/Pearson	Mathematics	C
OCR	Core Science	C
OCR	Additional Science	C
OCR	BTEC ICT	Distinction, Distinction
AQA	PE	Pass
Edexcel/Pearson	RE	C
AQA	Media Studies	C
AQA	Music	C
AQA	D&T Graphics	C
AQA	Business Studies	D
Edexcel/Pearson	BTEC Level 3 ICT (National Extended Diploma)	Distinction*, Distinction*, Distinction*

Hobbies & Interests

My hobbies include playing chess, beatboxing (as a result of my musical background) and developing games. As a young boy, I genuinely enjoyed playing games consoles and consequently as I grew up, I started to develop an intellectual curiosity for the programming of the games themselves. I envisage myself in five years' time to be working for a reputable games company, having graduated from university with first class honours.

I have played for the Villa Rockets wheelchair football team, which has improved my coordination and helped me to maintain an active lifestyle despite my physical disability.

As well as that, I was part of a team for a Dragons Den business challenge at secondary school where my team had to pitch a business idea to the "Dragons". This increased my interpersonal skills, which enables me to become an active team member in any group activities in which I participate.

Furthermore, I have also participated in charity based musical events involving a band called Aashiq Al Rasul (AAR) and a charity named after the band - Aashiq Al Rasul Foundation (AARF) and have also been involved in the organisation of these events. Examples of these events are:

- Eid in the Square at Trafalgar Square in London
- Fundraising and Auction events in Birmingham and Coventry.

Work Experience

I have conducted work experience with an ICT marketing firm called "Tomorrow People" for two weeks and through this gained vital ICT and marketing skills. In addition, I have learned about the inbound marketing and content marketing processes as well as how the processes affect Tomorrow People as an overall business.

Portfolio

For my portfolio, I have developed a website by utilising the Atom text editor and have uploaded my website by using GitHub. The website is all about the games that I have developed at university and in my spare time, by using the C# and C++ programming languages either in Visual Studio or Unity. In addition, I have also embedded one of my games into my website.

Portfolio Link - ghully007.github.io

References

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