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Personal Statement

A motivated professional transitioning from retail merchandising to software development, equipped with a **Full-Stack Development certification** from Codecademy. Skilled in **JavaScript, React, Node.js, Python, and SQL**, with hands-on experience building responsive web applications (e.g., e-commerce platforms, weather apps). Passionate about problem-solving, user-centric design, and contributing to collaborative teams as a **junior developer**.

Technical Skills

- **Frontend:** HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React, jQuery, Bootstrap
- **Backend:** Node.js, Express.js, Python, PHP
- **Database:** PostgreSQL, MySQL
- **Tools:** Git, GitHub, API Integration, Responsive Design
- **Soft Skills:** Problem-solving, teamwork, adaptability, communication

Projects

Company Directory App

- CRUD operations for employee management using PHP, MySQL, AJAX.
- Features real-time search, filtering, and dependency checks.

Gazetteer – Interactive Country Explorer

- Interactive web app displaying geographical/country data on a dynamic map.
- Features: Real-time fetching of country info, airports, cities, Wikipedia articles, and archaeological sites via AJAX.
- Built with JavaScript, Bootstrap (responsive UI), and third-party APIs for geo-data.
- Enables users to search, filter, and explore layered map information.

Tech Titan – E-Commerce App

- Full-stack e-commerce platform with Stripe payments, JWT authentication, and dynamic search.
- Built with React, Node.js, Express, PostgreSQL; deployed on Render.
- Features: Order history tracking, cart management, responsive UI.

Travel Share – Social Media for Travellers

- PERN stack (PostgreSQL, Express.js, React, Node.js) app for sharing travel posts.
- Includes user authentication, location tagging, likes/comments, and image uploads.
- Responsive design for seamless mobile/desktop interaction.

Education & Certifications

Codecademy (2022–2024)

- **Full Stack Engineer Professional Certification:** JavaScript, React, Node.js, PostgreSQL, Git.
- **Additional Certifications:** Python 3, jQuery, PHP, Bootstrap.

Sainsbury's Company (2016–2019)

- Store Lead Management Training (Operations, Risk Assessment, Food Safety).

Vauxhall College (2009–2011)

- Electrical Installation Diploma Level 3 (Relevant for problem-solving/logic).
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Work Experience

Express Vending Ltd | *Merchandiser / Driver* (2019–2022)

- Managed stock levels, merchandising, and machine maintenance.
- Optimized sales while reducing waste through data-driven decisions.


Sainsbury's Local, Barnet | *Customer Trading Manager* (2015–2019)


- Led store operations, team training, and inventory management.
- Streamlined payroll/scheduling using **Kronos system**.


Sainsbury's Online, Wandsworth | *Team Leader & Driver* (2015)


- Supervised 20+ staff in online order fulfilment and logistics.
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Interests

 **Travel & Outdoor Exploration** – Passionate about hiking and discovering new environments, which fosters adaptability and curiosity.

 **Gaming & Puzzles** – Enjoys strategy games and logic puzzles to sharpen problem-solving and creative thinking.

 **Photography** – Combines technical skill with an artistic eye, particularly in capturing cultural experiences.

 **Food & Culture** – Loves exploring global street food, reflecting an interest in diverse traditions and communities.

 **Tech Meetups** – Regularly attends social/coding events to network and stay updated on industry trends.