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## Personal Statement

On a new journey to become a full stack developer who is always looking to learn and improve, my ability to overcome new problems and challenges is what makes me enjoy the work I am doing. Fully motivated to expand on my current knowledge and progress my career as a full stack developer changing careers seemed like a daunting prospect but I am on the way to overcome that by taking a coding bootcamp with Northcoders which has led me to a great passion for coding and creating small projects for myself.

## Technical Skills

**Languages:** JavaScript, Typescript, Python

**Front End:** React, React Native, CSS, HTML.

**Back End:** Express, PostgreSQL, NodeJS, Firebase, Flask

**Testing:** Jest, Supertest.

## Experience

### *Junior Software Developer-Northcoders, Manchester*

February 2023 - May 2023

- Acquired foundational skills in JavaScript, encompassing both front-end and back-end development aspects.
- Contributed to projects involving both front-end and back-end development components.
- Participated in a Back End Project which involved the creation of an Express server interacting with a PSQl database. Employed Supertest and Jest for comprehensive testing of CRUD operations.
- Engaged in a Front End Project that interacted with the backend. Developed a React-based web application designed for game reviews, enabling users to access reviews, engage through comments, and provide upvotes.

- Worked on a Final Project where a gardening assistant app was conceived. Utilized Typescript as the primary programming language, Firebase for the backend, and react-Native for the frontend. The app catered to users interested in tracking their garden plants, featuring notifications for watering reminders and optimal care times for specific plants.

#### *Shift Manager - Loomis UK Ltd, Manchester*

April 2017 - September 2022

- Oversaw the operations of a coin center, managing a small team to achieve daily goal targets.
- Provided clear directions and guidance to team members, fostering a collaborative and efficient work environment.
- Ensured accurate and timely preparation and submission of banking paperwork.
- Conducted daily reconciliation of the center's balances, meticulously verifying and cross-referencing records for precision.
- Played a crucial role in upholding the financial integrity of the center by identifying and mitigating any discrepancies.

#### *Coin Processor - Loomis UK Ltd, Manchester*

March 2013 - April 2017

- Processed, reconciled, and accurately recorded monetary transactions in alignment with customer specifications.
- Managed the preparation and dispatching of customer money orders, ensuring timely and precise delivery.

## Education

September 2010 - July 2012

#### **Wigan and Leigh College, Leigh- A Levels**

- Maths
- IT
- Physics

September 2005- July 2010

#### **Bedford High School, Leigh- GCSE's**

- 10 GCSE Grade A\* - C
- 2 Distinctions in IT

## Hobbies and Interest

I really enjoy taking part in various sports and activities. For about ten years now, I've been actively playing 6-a-side football with a close group of friends. We've developed a strong bond over time, and we get pretty competitive when we play.

Aside from team sports, I also have a thing for solo activities like Snooker and Badminton. It's not just about having fun; I also like using that time to improve my personal skills and work on self-improvement.

During my downtime, I like to solve puzzles, and I'm particularly into the Rubik's Cube. I've managed to bring my best solving time down to an average of 35 seconds, which I'm pretty proud of.

Lately, I've really gotten into chess. It's a real brain teaser. This new interest fits well with my love for challenges that make me think and plan strategically.