IBL Interview Preparation

Company Information

**eSolutions**

* They offer a wide range of IT support services for Monash students and staff; tech broken etc
* Information Technology Infrastructure Library (ITIL), standardising IT services.
* Business transformation teams; turn idea into reality
* Vendor management and contracting
* Information management.
* Identity services; providing users system access
* Hosting and data storage services

**MEBank**

* A purely digital bank
* Data security is huge
* Layout of website is legendary. Simple.

**Infocentric**

* Website moves its crazy
* Data solution company
* So diverse like introducing Android and Apple payment.
* Very cutting edge using AI and Machine learning.
* Data security

**Transurban**

* Operation of toll roads
* Designing new roads, new vehicle, and road safety technology
* West Gate tunnel

**Planet Innovation**

* Product Development and Commercialisation.

Tell me about yourself.

My name is Saral, and I am currently studying Science and Computer Science at Monash Uni with my majors being, Pure mathematics and Advanced Computer Science. I also work part time at the Fish and Burger Co as a Back of House Cook and some of main hobbies include playing all kinds of sports, cooking and reading books with one of the most influential ones I have read was Birth Of a Theorem by Cedric Villiani. Other than these activities I enjoy catching up with friends and family and focusing on my physical wellbeing. From a technical viewpoint, my degree has given me a strong background in algorithms and data structures and their applications to different problems. Furthermore, my degree I have had the opportunity work in teams with group members that have varying personalities. In these situations, my core qualities of teamwork, tactfulness and communication have been crucial to achieving the team goals and improving our overall working experience.

What qualities do you have that you can bring to this role?

* Teamwork
* Tactfulness
* Approachability
* Verbal Communication and written communication is strong
* Accountability, taking responsibility for my actions.
* Adaptability
* Self-reflection
* Attention to detail
* Being able to apply acquired knowledge

What drives and motivates you?

* Being able to take a theoretical abstract concept and apply it in the physical real world to improve people’s lives in some way.
* Using the advent of technology, to contribute to society and its progression.
* Continually developing my own skillsets.
* Constantly applying my problem solving skills, finding solutions, and improving upon them.

Tell me about a time when you were working with a difficult staff member?

* I was open
* Flexible and Ready to adapt
* Comfortable to make a judgement call or inappropriate, they are in the loop.
* In future If I come across this situation I would
* Same goals.

Tell me about a time when you made a mistake?

* Acknowledging that mistakes happen.
* Looking at why It happened and fixing it so it does not repeat.
* Be resilient, after the mistake and not dwelling on it in a way that affects your working ability.
* Relate to IT

What are your weaknesses?

My biggest weakness is overanalysing things to the point where it can create doubt, and to negate this I simply trust the procedure I have been taught or seek an appropriate staff member or mentor to see if the procedure needs adjustment. This is happened to me when I on assignments or assessments, am being asked to answer normally a simple question but I reread it over and over, drawing irrelevant or illogical conclusions. Often when this happens I remind myself that the question should not be difficult helps me progress to find what actually needs to be done or I will seek clarification if required to progress through the situation and achieve a good outcome.

Where do you see yourself in the next few years?

In the next few years, I couldn’t tell you exactly what position I want to be in or where I would be working but I am sure that I would be a person that over those years has proficient team working skills, supreme problem solving skills and a network of contacts to work with in any situation I may encounter. Depending on my situation I may even be a mentor to graduates entering the field and graduates and even be working to develop new frameworks that can be applied in IT or whatever sector I may be working in.

Why do you want to join this company?

Gives me the opportunity to apply what drives and motivates me and because the values of the company coincide with those of my own.

Closing statement:

So, in summary, my core qualities are teamwork, effective communication and working to achieve company goals. I have a strong background in algorithms and data structures that have improved my problem solving skills and innovation and new ways of thinking always remain at the forefront of my mind.

Thank you for your time and giving me this opportunity to show why I would be a great fit for “COMPANY”.

Side project:

Working to create an optimal traffic light scheduling algorithm using a graph theory based approach.