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Unexpected Questions for Automation QA

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In automation testing, we often prepare for common questions 🤨 but what about the ones that truly test our mindset and approach 👀

Here are some thought-provoking questions I've encountered: 👇

🟡 If you could design a new automation framework from scratch, what features would it have?

Modular & Scalable Architecture
Cross-browser & Cross-platform compatibility
CI/CD Integration with real-time reporting
AI-powered test case generation & maintenance

🟡 Can automation completely replace manual testing?

No! While automation accelerates execution and coverage, exploratory, usability, and edge-case testing still require human intuition.

🟡 Biggest mistake I've made in automation and the lesson learned?

Running excessive UI tests instead of focusing on API and unit test automation.
Lesson: Prioritize the test pyramid-UI tests should be minimal yet effective.

🟡 How do you convince a team that automation is necessary when they prefer manual testing?

Show them real data-time saved, reduced regressions, and improved release cycles.
Start small-automate repetitive, high-value tests and showcase quick wins.

🟡 If you had to test a system with no UI, no API documentation, and no requirements, how would you proceed?

Reverse-engineering: Analyze logs, databases, and network requests.
Collaboration: Work closely with developers to understand system behavior.
Exploratory Testing: Identify core functionalities through trial and error.

Which of these challenges have you faced? Drop your thoughts in the comments

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