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## SKILLS

SQL

Tableau

**Quality Assurance** 

Google Sheets / Excel / Open Office

Data Analysis

Data Cleaning / Preparation

**Data Visualization** 

**Technical Writing** 

**Process Development** 

Risk / Contingency Planning

Computer Equipment

## **EDUCATION**

College of the Canyons

- Computer Science
- Psychology

### OTHER LINKS







# BRIAN SKIDMORE

QUALITY ASSURANCE and TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONAL

## **ABOUT ME**

Skilled technology professional with a wealth of highly transferable skills and a strong focus on quality assurance. Able to navigate a wide range of challenges while ensuring the optimal timely execution of critical tasks. Strong project management and problem solving talents while managing multiple competing priorities and needs.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### **Parent**

Thousand Oaks, CA

2012 - 2025

- Support multiple competing schedules and priorities.
- Oversee the needs and tasks of multiple individuals to maintain optimal outcomes.
- Accurately coordinate a detailed calendar of activities, appointments, deadlines, and other events.
- Navigate complicated interpersonal challenges and mediate issues to build vital communication and issue resolution skills.
- Attempt to prepare for unpredictable and unforeseen events.
- Create and/or acquire teaching aids and materials to help young individuals better understand various concepts.
- Encourage proper behavior and enforce rules.
- Empathize and listen carefully to better understand a situation as well as the views/opinions of others.

## **Microsoft Compliance Supervisor**

THQ Agoura Hills, CA & Phoenix, AZ

2010 - 2012

- Manage and maintain a team of compliance specialists focused on ensuring multiple projects are ready for submission to Microsoft for certification.
- Coordinate with multiple points of contact throughout all stages of the development cycle to continually evaluate project status.
- Explain the implications of severe issues to project managers and executives, particularly if discovered near the end of a project development cycle.
- Maintain a detailed database on all projects, review projects postmortem, evaluate areas for optimization, and integrate new ideas to streamline future projects.
- Synchronize game content with real-time current events for original IP and externally developed series.
- Create projections for forecasting budget requirements, resource needs, and long-term plan models for future growth.
- Evaluate employee performance and provide written reviews highlighting areas of excellence as well areas for improvement.

## **Submissions Coordinator**

THQ Agoura Hills, CA

2008 - 2010

- Established submissions coordinator role; created the entire suite of documents and processes for submitting projects to both Sony and Microsoft..
- Coordinate with multiple contacts to release scheduled game submissions, on time, to first-party groups.
- Determine platform-specific requirements, request product codes and provide critical inputs on game concepts.
- Synchronize materials and information to submit titles to Sony and Microsoft.
- Avoid resubmission costs of over \$100,000 through accurate release processes on multiple products in North American and European markets.
- Facilitate communications with global stakeholders to deliver all titles within expected delivery cycles.
- Acquire all necessary submission materials from a multitude of sources around the world.

## **Microsoft Compliance Specialist**

THQ Calabasas, CA & Agoura Hills, CA

2005 - 2008

- Develop custom compliance test plans to meet all Microsoft technical certification requirements.
- Employ testing on multiple consoles using various profiles to flag operational bugs and indicate how to correct TCR violations.
- Write highly detailed reports for each issue discovered.
- Provide training to new specialists, verified ability to perform required certification tasks.