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# Introduction

Work Integrated Learning (WIL) involves applying academic knowledge in real-world settings. In my case, I developed a mobile app for the "Empowering the Nation" project, a skill development initiative targeting domestic workers and gardeners. The project provided me the opportunity to apply technical skills while gaining practical experience in app development and problem-solving within a professional environment.

# Skills Learnt

1. Industry-Specific Practices: I learned mobile app development, including integrating functionality such as clickable links for venues, setting up a user-friendly layout, and managing user navigation without access to certain API’s like maps.

2. Interpersonal Communication Skills: Throughout the project, I engaged in brainstorming sessions and regular feedback with the team, which improved my ability to present ideas and receive constructive criticism.

3. Management Skills: I faced challenges with layout constraints on mobile platforms and managing the timeline for completing different features of the app, such as ensuring the user experience was smooth and the functionality reliable despite technical limitations.

# Role in the Team

During my WIL, I was responsible for the mobile app. I worked closely with other team members to ensure the app met the needs of "Empowering the Nation." I contributed by developing key app features, overcoming technical issues, and offering solutions like clickable venue links. I helped manage conflicts around tight deadlines by prioritizing certain tasks.

# Research, Technology, and Presentation of Information

I used Android Studios for app development and researched various APIs and methods to integrate features such as clickable venue links when map integration was unavailable. Online resources were essential for resolving technical issues, and I presented these solutions to my team in regular update meetings.

# Personal Strengths and Weaknesses

1. Strengths: I excelled in troubleshooting and finding creative solutions when faced with technical challenges like map integration issues. My ability to adapt and apply alternative methods was a significant strength.

2. Weaknesses: I struggled with mobile layout constraints, especially when ensuring a consistent user experience across different devices. In the future, I could improve by learning more about responsive design techniques.

# Stakeholder Relationship

My relationship with the WIL team was collaborative and supportive. We had regular check-ins where I received valuable feedback. One aspect I could have improved was communicating technical limitations earlier, which would have allowed for better decision-making regarding app features.

# Impact

My work contributed significantly to the "Empowering the Nation" project by providing a functional mobile app that enhanced the initiative’s accessibility. I believe my efforts made a positive difference in how users can navigate and engage with the platform.

# Conclusion

Overall, my WIL experience was enriching, providing both technical and interpersonal growth. I successfully overcame challenges and delivered an app that met the project's objectives while identifying areas for future improvement.