# PGL Assignment - I

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**Q1. Identify life roles you play currently and rank them based on time you spend in each role. E.g. Assign rank 1 to the role you spend max time**

**Ans:**

1. **Employee**: Working as an intern at a company. Completing daily/weekly tasks deadlines.

2. **Student**: Completing the coursework, exams, assignments. Working on projects etc.

3. **Child**: Being a responsible child. Helping with tasks around the house. Taking care of younger siblings.

4. **Leisurite**: Time spent on leisure activities like hanging out on social media, playing games, watching TV series/movies etc.

5. **OSS Contributor**: Contributing to open-source projects.

6. **Learner**: try to find new things/technologies that I don't know and learn them. Read articles/research-papers on technologies/trends etc.

7. **Reader**: Reading books/novels from various domains

8. **Class Representative:** Keeping track of all academic activities, being in regular contact with faculties. Getting academic-related issues resolved

9. **Citizen**: Being a responsible citizen. Volunteering to help outside etc.

**Q2. Self-reflect on the 5 questions and write a summary in minimum 200 words.**

- What has been working well?
- What did I finish that I'm proud of?
- Where did I struggle?
- Where do I stand with my long-term goals?
- What do I want to focus in the short term?

**Ans:**

Before May, I was focusing fully on my studies. Since then I have joined an internship and work nearly 6-8 hours daily which has changed my time management a lot. While I am able to gain valuable experience working there, it gives me much less time to focus on my other life roles and side projects. My internship is going on really well and I am able to complete all my assigned tasks within the given deadlines. Thus, while this affects my other life roles, I would consider this as working well because this will eventually help me a lot in shaping my career and take me closer to my life goals. Recently I was assigned a project during my internship which would normally take at least 15-20 days. I managed to complete it within a week and received praise from my managers and colleagues. This is something I am proud of. During April and May, I took up an open-source project in Linux networking. This was a completely new domain for me and I had to spend a lot of time in understand the basics before I could start writing a single line of code. I struggled to manage my time during this period as I had a lot of other tasks and responsibilities going on too. My long term goal is to contribute to open source projects in Linux either as a full-time developer or as a side hobby. For this, I need to get a job at a place that understands the value of open-source projects and gives me enough free time to continue my passion. TO achieve this, in the short-term, I need to focus on my studies, get better at competitive coding, crack the interviews, etc.

**Q3. Identify the % of time your spend in each role currently and what your prefer to based on your future goals.**

**Ans:**

| Role | Current % | Preferred % |
|---|---|---|
| Employee | 30 | 20 |
| Student | 15 | 12 |
| Child | 13 | 13 |
| Leisurite | 12 | 5 |
| OSS Contributor | 12 | 20 |
| Learner | 8 | 14 |
| Reader | 4 | 8 |
| Class Representative | 4 | 3 |
| Citizen | 2 | 5 |

**Q4. Draft an action plan to balance the different roles and to overcome the challenges of spending too much or too less time on any of the roles in minimum 200 words**

Based on the details in the above table, the roles I currently spend most of my time on are Employee and Student. And this leaves less time for the other roles that I would prefer spending more time on. The work right now takes more time because I don't have much experience and there are a lot of things I don't know. Thus I have to spend a lot of time on learning things before getting started and also make a lot of mistakes. This should reduce over time as I gain more experience. The time I spend on student roles can be reduced

by planning out my schedule and activities more carefully. The next target that can be reduced is leisure. I spend a lot of time on social media and playing games which can be reduced a lot. Contributing to open source is something I would like to spend much more time on. For this, I need to plan out my different projects and give specific time slots for each task so that I can keep track of how much time I spend on each and improve it. There are a lot of challenges in this. Reducing the time spent on studies and work right now would be very difficult due to different commitments. However, I need to find a way to spend more time on OSS and learning new things to shape my career towards my life aspirations.