



With more than 100 million active users globally eBay is the world's largest online marketplace, where practically anyone can buy and sell practically anything. Founded in 1995, eBay connects a diverse and passionate community of individual buyers and sellers, as well as small businesses. Their collective impact on ecommerce is staggering: In 2011, the total value of goods sold on eBay was \$68.6 billion -- more than \$2,100 every second.

Hi,

Thanks for the chat with one of our engineers earlier.

Could you please, as part of eBay's interview process, complete the following puzzle?

Rock, Paper, Scissors

User Story Front

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|      Title: Waste an Hour Having Fun      |
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| As a frequent games player,               |
| I'd like to play rock, paper, scissors    |
| so that I can spend an hour of my day having fun |
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| Acceptance Criteria                       |
| - Can I play Player vs Computer?         |
| - Can I play Computer vs Computer?       |
| - Can I play a different game each time?  |
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User Story Back

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| Technical Constraints
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| - Doesn't necessarily need a flashy GUI
|   (can be simple)
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| - Use Java
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| - Libs / external modules should only be used
|   for tests
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| - Using best in industry agile engineering
|   practices
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Don't know the game? <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rock-paper-scissors>

Guidance

We wouldn't ask anyone to do a coding puzzle that we haven't done ourselves, so the people looking at your code understand the problem we're asking to be solved.

It took us around 2 - 5 hours of effort when doing this, so please use this as an indicator of effort required.

We're not too bothered with the UI. However, if you are mostly a front end engineer a nice UI is a requirement. We are keen to see how much you think is enough, and how much would go into a Minimum Viable Product. As a guide, elegant and simple wins over feature rich every time, though extra gold stars are given to people who get excited and do more because they are having fun.

Do you test drive your code? This is something we value at eBay, and we will be looking for telling indicators of such in the code you produce. We'll also be looking for things like coverage, copy and paste detection etc.

We also like to see your 'long division' i.e. the working out of the problem in code.

Run / build instructions are seen in a positive light, as it indicates you know how to work in that environment.

We also consider the extensibility of the code produced. Well factored code should be relatively easily

extended. <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rock-paper-scissors-lizard-Spock> may be a natural extension.

This job is primarily Java, so submissions should be in that

Any indicator of design (DDD, or design patterns) would make us smile.

We appreciate that you might be busy with your professional commitments so our projected maximum time of the completion and submission of the task is 14 days. Should you need additional time please contact Aleksandra Strzalkowska at aleks@ebay.com and quote estimated submission time. Thanks very much.

Please send the solution of the coding puzzle to codingpuzzle@aol.de and cc DL-eBay-EU-EngineeringJobs@ebay.com. Thank you!

Good luck!

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